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Dear Committee Members,

I am writing to tell you NO on more taxes! No one you are hitting with these new and increased taxes are getting raises to absorb these taxes! ODOT mismanages their funds and actually misplaces their funds! Why give them more? They just got more taxes a year ago. I believe an independent review is absolutely needed to find out why ODOT can't seem to fill a dang pothole but can find money for DEI?! STOP with all the bike lane madness, Lane "diets" in Portland and some \$28 million for DEI. How is that even legal now with the new administration DEI abolishment? I urge you to look at the Republicans 2, yes count them, 2 proposals that fund ODOT without new taxes. To raise taxes now just says how tone deaf you all truly are to Oregonians at their breaking point to afford a home, heat/AC their homes, and literally be taxed to float a river for heaven's sake! Stop, just stop robbing my hard earned money. It's not yours.

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