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I find it outrageous that the Oregon Department of transportation is \$1.2 billion short. Our neighboring states do a much better job managing their money look to the Nevada DOT and the Arizona DOT for much more efficient examples. Oregon needs to cut cost not increased spending and many of the projects will not get to the small towns in Oregon all of the complete streets and bike lane projects will be in Portland Eugene Salem and Medford. I doubt one dollar will make it to the coast or the eastern Oregon the bread and butter of the state. If the metropolitan areas desire increased transportation spending, they should increase their local gas tax, not place the burden on all users statewide to suit those special interest groups in the big cities.

Adding a payroll tax to fund transportation is like adding sales tax to groceries to pay for medicine, there's no direct relationship here many people with jobs. Don't drive. They work from home and many people that drive are retired and don't have jobs. This is a boondoggle at its finest.