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Oregon doesn't have a revenue problem. It has a spending problem and a total lack of leadership and accountability.

Oregon's per capita spending on transportation is comparable with many states that have better road systems. The problem is that we don't prioritize roads over all the other woke and silly transportation things, like planning to cover I-5 through Portland. Huge waste of money. All the money spent planning the I-5 Columbia bridge the first time was a total waste. All of the scenic bikeways and dedicated bike lanes (which bikes don't pay for) are a waste. Stop rebuilding interchanges only to have them do the same thing when its finished. The south Salem interchange rebuild is a perfect example of planning overkill. If we had leadership that stopped worshiping electric vehicles and would just focus on roads that work at getting people places we would have sufficient funds. Stop the waste. If anyone should be laid off at ODOT it's the Director and his team, not the field people that actually try to work.

Stop taxing people who buy gas/diesel vehicles to give the money to electric vehicle buyers who pay next to nothing to maintain our highways. No sales tax. It's not a priveledge when you need it to get to work.

We pay more than enough already. No new taxes. No new fees, and certainly DON'T allow unelected bureacrats raise fees in the future without a vote. Never ever.

Oregon's got more than enough revenue. It just needs better priorities.