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I live in Powell Butte, and I am deeply concerned about the transportation tax bill. We are already stretched thin financially. Any additional taxes and fees would make our daily life more unaffordable. Just like my family has had to, ODOT must also tighten its belt. ODOT should refocus its spending and prioritize keeping Oregonians safe on the road. Any lay-offs need to come from middle and upper management in Salem, not the crews working hard to keep our roads open in the winter. Please consider alternatives that don't financially punish Oregonians. I am particularly opposed allowing any future gas tax increases to be made without a vote of the legislature. Legislators, whose decisions are on record for all to see and defend, must be the only ones who control taxes in Oregon.

In summary, ODOT's priorities must be safety of the travelling public, maintenance of existing roads and accountability to all taxpayers. ODOT must adjust their plans and budget to meet these goals,

No new taxes!