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I am writing today to voice my strong opposition to the governor's proposed transportation funding. We The People of Oregon have been taxed enough already. It's high time our government learned to live within its means like the general public do. ODOT cannot account for one billion taxpayer dollars from the last budget and is responsible for hundreds of million more in cost overruns. The bevey of taxes and fees in this proposal will continue the downward spiral in our state's livability, destroy jobs and cause more hard working people to leave the state. I commute 250 miles per week back and forth to work and simply cannot afford to pay even more in what are already some of the highest gasoline taxes in the nation. The Republicans have already proposed using our state's emergency fund to plug the budget holes but the Democrats would have none of it. It's time for the governor and her party to drop their misplaced priorities and stop hitting up the taxpayers for even more money for their nonsensical climate agenda and "green energy" scam. We The People spoke loudly and clearly during regular session that we were dead set against new taxes. Therefore, it's time you listen to those who pay your salaries and keep the lights on in the Capitol with their hard earned tax dollars. NO NEW TAXES!