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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Interim Committee On Transportation

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Hello,

My name is Jeffrey Hayes and I'm a resident of Clackamas County. I wanted to submit my testimony in support of the Transportation Funding Bill Legislative Concept 2.

I have been an employee of Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) for over 17 years as a Traffic Engineer and have worked day in/day out to improve the transportation system for all users balancing the needs between safety and operations. Without additional funding we will lose team members through layoffs and simply not have the money to continue maintenance near any of the current expectation levels the public have today. Even if funding was restored in a general session in 2026 it would take ODOT years to recover the technical expertise that would be lost to deliver the services that Oregonians depend on to keep our transportation system working.

Please vote yes on Legislative Concept 2.