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Governor's Transportation Plan

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I believe that when a budget is approved with funding in various line items, funding MUST be allocated to those line items. If funding is reallocated elsewhere without approval, then FRAUD IS COMMITTED ON THE PEOPLE. There appears to have been NO adherence to the 2017 transportation budget. Our governor seems to tromp willy-nilly through tax money and spend it on whatever she personally wants instead of where it was allocated. We can't afford the proposed transportation budget.

I'm not sure I can afford to stay in Oregon. I see the State going into bankruptcy after it bankrupts its citizenry. I may be one of the individuals forced to leave the state, along with many of the businesses that are fleeing. Our school's graduation rate is among the lowest in the nation. Our taxes are already higher than in most states. Our cost of living is skyrocketing. We have a huge homeless population already being enabled by the State. Criminals in our state are being enabled instead of prosecuted. DEI practices ignore those who have worked hard and are better qualified for jobs. Where is the common sense?