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I am writing in support of the funding package for state and local transportation. While ODOT may be the posterchild of this situation, the impacts will be felt far and wide. Transportation investment is incredibly important, both at a local level and at the state level. With portions of state transportation funds through the gas tax and other revenue moving down to county and city levels, inaction on this "band aid" will cripple our transit systems. Furthermore, if this does not pass and lay offs do occur at ODOT and the sister local agencies, I cannot begin to imagine what our roads and transportation services will look like next year or five years down the road.

Pass this funding and preserve ODOT jobs, county jobs, city jobs, our transit services and the providers. We can figure out better accountability and funding measures later. We are Oregonians, from the coast to the desert, and we fly on our own wings. Pass this funding measure, don't clip Oregon's wings.