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It is time that Democrats and Republicans compromise to fund a transportation bill for Oregon.

Democratic legislators (I am a Democrat) want to raise taxes and fees.

Republicans want to use the State's emergency and/or rainy day fund.

I urge you all to use a combination of these methods and abandon a "us vs. them" approach to governance.

Together with this compromise, it should be considered that the Portland Coliseum-vicinity expensive road overhaul be either indefinitely delayed, or cancelled.

It is essential that a bill be passed and funded to enable continuous and dependable road maintenance, and not lose our dedicated and experienced maintenance personnel.

The effects of failure to solve this issue to our economy, personnel, and roads, need not be re-stated here.

Thank you for listening.