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No new road tax!

Oregonians are already taxed to oblivion! A friend of mine actually paid off her house and I congratulated her. The American dream of owning your own home is somewhat spoiled by the property taxes and insurance already. Why add to the burden?

I generally do not agree with my senator but I am glad he warned us about this new expense you all are trying to put on us. Our state is well funded. Figure out where the money is going if not to its designated projects. Consider that not all projects are equal. Social engineering programs come far after the pot holes and existing infrastructure problems.

A road is a great thing to pay for but I'm certain Oregon already has the money it needs. You all just don't feel like giving up your pet projects. Focus on the basics, not your fluff, and for rural Oregonians too. I happen to live in Portland metro area but many of my friends describe unbearable situations.