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As a lifelong Oregonian, I am saddened at the current state and trajectory of our once beautiful state. The increasing tax rates and lack of infrastructure and public safety services is driving away businesses and everyday citizens alike. We do not need more taxes, we need more accountability for how those tax dollars are spent. Instead of sticking with poorly written laws that hamstringing the amount of funding that goes to road maintenance, we need to get back to basics and economics to allow the tax dollars that are being collected to be used on the things Oregonians need and want. Road taxes should 100% be used on the road, etc. They should not be raised and given to other agencies as seen fit by the Governor.

Allowing the Governor to be the only person to make the decision on who becomes the head of ODOT while simultaneously allowing ODOT to raise gas taxes at will without the consent of the public, is the very definition of taxation without representation. Oregonians are tired of being taxed out of the state they once knew and loved. I am urging you to VOTE NO on these proposed tax increases.

We Oregonians deserve to be heard and have control over our taxes.