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Hello,

I am writing to strongly oppose any new taxes/fees for roads in the special session. The Governor's proposals are a mish mash of ideas that disproportionately punish the middle and lower class and don't address the real issues that have created a road system that is in need of a fix

The proper way to fund the needs of the Transportation Dept.for now is to use the Emergency Fund. This is truly an emergency and the legislature must begin preparing for the next session by looking into the problems that got us to where we are today-among those issues are bond payments, high gas taxes that punish the middle and lower class of Oregon and siphoning off of funds that should have been used to maintain our road system. There are a myriad of other issues that need looking at but that is why a comprehensive plan must be put forward.

The Governors plan must be rejected-no new taxes and fees at this time-and start putting together plans for the next legislative session that address the real issues that need to be faced.

Thank you for your time-it is appreciated.