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NO NEW ROAD TAXES. Oregon's DOT has a proven track record of mismanagement. Therefore, the DOT should not be rewarded with a pile of cash for doing the job poorly.

According to Governor Kotek's proposal for this hearing, EVs would experience a minuscule increase in fees, in no way comparable to the increase in fees for vehicles powered by fossil fuels. Yet, the weight of an EV typically exceeds that of a fossil fuel powered vehicle, thereby causing more wear on the road surface. In other words, EVs cause more wear but they pay less in road maintenance fees. Given that the focus of this session is related to transportation from a construction and maintenance perspective, I would argue that those who drive fossil fuel powered vehicles shouldn't be responsible for giving those who drive (heavier) EVs a free ride. Each should pay their fair share.