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I oppose the governor's plan to raise taxes and fees on working Oregonians. ODOT, along with the State as a whole, are benefitting from record revenues. The legislature needs to take responsibility for how this revenue is spent. The citizens are not a tax farm for pet projects and unnecessary administration. It is time to tighten the belt and concentrate on the states mission of government. ODOT's first priority is the maintenance of roads and bridges. There is no need for extraneous political side quests. The state needs to grow up and get serious. Oregon is becoming unlivable for those not employed by the government. Small business owners like myself are drowning in costs; taxes, licenses, fees, mandates, employee programs, etc. Please pretend, for once, you represent the citizens and not the government.