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This is not the time to pass the largest tax hike in Oregon history! We Oregonians as individuals are obliged to live within our means, and have historically been generous with meeting tax loads and supporting local initiatives. The result is that Oregon has been generously funded, has a huge budget for our small population, and massive reserves. How is basic transportation safety and maintenance the item that is sacrificed unless new taxes and fees are passed? We are hearing from representatives that these funds are critical for road safety, and threatened with the inability of government to guarantee safe roads and bridges. Again, how is this item not covered FIRST in a multi-billion dollar transportation budget each biennium? The changes needed here is in budgeting and allocation, not down to the public this time. Thank you!