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I have been watching this taxing issue for ODOT for several weeks now and reading more and more about the mismanagement at the state level.

I am against more taxes on the citizens of Oregon.

In 2017 you passed HP-2017 which allowed ODOT monies to be spent on special projects and at that time increased our taxes to supports the new measure and also had taxes continually being raised each year for these projects and yet the projects are so expensive they are out of reach.

You have put your special projects as priorities instead of the safety of our roads for ALL Oregonians.

You have proven that your money management budgets are not followed, or you have the inability to accurately project the costs.

You also refuse to follow federal mandates in almost every area and are seemingly happy to lose the federal moneies and put those losses on the shoulders of all Oregonians.

Our governor doesn't bother to attend any of the sessions, she must think it is a shoe in, and she has shown that our voices don't matter whatsoever. You pretend to have a session on Friday and no-show, only to show up quietly in the evening to pass your agenda against the citizens of Oregon. That is NOT how our government is supposed to work.

This is unacceptable behavior on your part and I am against more and highter taxes to fund projects that go nowhere.

The money, per ODOT, is there but earmarked for pet projects instead of using the money as it was originally intended for, highway maint. and wages for those employed by ODOT.

I have lost all respect for the Democratic Party of Oregon because of your shady deceptive conduct.

I am and have always been an Oregonian. You are destroying our state in so many ways and it needs to stop. I am against these bills 100% There are many other ways to deal with the "deficit".

Thank you for listening

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