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The people cannot afford to pay any more to the government. We are already overtaxed. Instead of increasing fees and taxes on us, each agency and branch of the government should be audited to get rid of waste, abuse, fraud, redundancy, and so on. Also, ODOT has a clear purpose, money should go towards the upkeep of the roads and keeping transportation moving. Money can be diverted from side projects and put towards the actual purpose of ODOT. It is also time to see if the administration is being paid too high of salaries, especially given the lack of their ability to balance a budget. Finally, we, the people of Oregon, do not want an agency to be able to increase fees and taxes. That should only be done through our representatives (that is you in the legislature). But honestly, I am to the point, and many of my fellow Oregonians are with me on this, that even you the representatives cannot be trusted when it comes to tax and fee increases. We want the people to have direct say, as you have violated our trust way too often and do not spend our hard earn money in a fair, just, and proper way.