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It is time for a thorough ODOT audit and time to realize the impacts this bill has on rural Oregon and the natural resource industries. The people of Oregon get nothing out of fancy sculptures, rock and brick designs on sidewalks and fancy roundabouts. It is time to get back to practical economical road fixes. I just took a family member to PDX and those busses and Max system does nothing to help us in rural Oregon. It is an hour drive to medical appointments, parts runs are at best an hour and sometimes three, groceries is 20 minutes to local store and most times we combine hour trips to pick up medications too. Do you have a clue to the cost of this bill to those of us in agriculture and forestry and yet everyone wants cheap food and homes. Employees will have more withholdings from their paychecks, pay more for gas and registrations and titles. The cost of our groceries, meds, and everyday needs will increase due to the increase fuel cost to get the product to our local store. It is time to stop this bill which effectively those at the Capitol are trying to push through with as little public input as possible. This is criminal to have such an important issue discussed when most people are on the last holiday before school starts. I thank you for your dedication but please listen to the people!