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I have previously submitted a strong argument against these ludicrous tax increases. Apparently that testimony fell on deaf ears.

We already pay 40 cents for every gallon of gas we burn plus another 18 cents to the Feds. I just renewed 2 vehicle registrations at \$196 (Clackamas county) each. Eight years ago they were \$86 each. I have a van for hauling stuff. We are on a fixed income and drive 3 vehicles less than 10 k miles in a year. If new taxes are REALLY needed, they ought to be placed on electric vehicles that have not paid a fair share from their beginnings (government subsidies). Bicycles take a piece of the road without paying a fair share also.

Hold ODOT accountable for all the dollars they have wasted. We run our household finances by planning, and spending what we have wisely. If we run short, as we did in the 1980's, we do without. There is no one for us to run to for a hand out. It's high time for government to learn that lesson too.