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On Behalf Of:
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I volunteered multiple times and spent many hours supporting the No Tax Oregon effort to get the Transportation Tax referendum on the November ballot. Collecting signatures ended up being non-partison total support of listening to the voice of Oregon citizens. The political effort to move the vote on this referendum to May is misguided. The Democrat lead effort to get this moved is hiding behind a thinly veiled excuse that the transportation budget needs to be addressed sooner than later. All Oregon citizens know this not true; the real reason is that the Democrats need to disconnect this referendum vote from their campaigns for reelection. Food for thought; remember how Governor Kotek's delay tactic in signing the bill famoused exploded on her? Move this referendum to May, against the people's mandate, will ultimately come back to haunt all Democrat's reelction efforits. Keep the referendum vote on the November ballot!