

The single largest source of Oregon's carbon emissions comes from transportation. In order to halt the climate arson that the Oregon Highways Department (inaccurately called "ODOT") perpetrates on Oregon and, ultimately, the world, we cannot deliver another inch of highway. We should not be expanding freeways and making congestion worse, then tolling to pay off the debt. We can decrease congestion today, right now, by charging congestion pricing. We can then put those funds toward solutions that reduce our reliance on carbon polluting fuels by increasing housing density and increasing the quality of our public transportation network.

The conclusion of this "speed bump standards" bill is that they should be high enough to keep ODOT from blowing our money on a hellish future for our children and grandchildren. Fund our future, not highways.