

To the members of the Joint Committee on Transportation

I'm writing today as a resident of Clackamas county in opposition of HB-3065, and it's associated freeway expansions.

Expanding freeways in Clackamas County should not be a priority of the legislature and ODOT so long as 82nd and McLoughlin remain in such dire need of investment. Both of these streets lack complete sidewalks, safe crosswalks at reasonable intervals, lighting, street trees, safe and continuous bike facilities, and high quality transit service. So long as these issues persist on these two orphaned highways, then ODOT has no business widening I205.

What ODOT does need is reform and accountability. It won't be bothered to make it safe for kids, or even adults to cross their surface streets, but ODOT will do everything it can to expand freeways, no matter the cost, and no matter how insignificant the benefit it actually delivers to our state.

Giving ODOT even more money for freeway expansions without any substantive oversight and reform would be a massive failure of leadership on the part of the legislature.

Please shelve this bill.

Thank you,  
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