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This package is an opportunity to invest in safe streets (and trails!) and alternative, reliable transportation such as rail, bus, bike, and walking/rolling. 30% of Oregonians can't or don't drive. Many more would choose not to if safe and reliable options existed in all neighborhoods.

Although this package funds many historic transits safety practices, it still needs to support off street trail systems which can be critical for rural areas.

While we need to expand transit options we also must keep the costs down especially for those who are not wealthy. The idea of taxing luxury vehicles is a good one vs adding a regressive tax to the mix. Keep getting creative- Oregon has been a leader on many fronts and can do it again.