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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation Reinvestment

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2025

Dear Committee Members,

As a committed bicycle commuter, I am writing in support of the 2025 transportation funding package, with one exception. Corvallis has a highway acting as a main street through our town. The provision requiring all freight routes to maintain 12-foot travel lanes contradicts current safety research showing narrower roadways promote safety by encouraging drivers to lower their speeds. Increasing travel lane width would negatively impact active transport infrastructure projects planned in Corvallis for bicycle and pedestrian traffic.

I am in support of continuing funding for the Great Streets program and Safe Routes to School and these programs have a positive impact on safety and climate mitigation for Corvallis and in similar cities across Oregon. Fully funding safe transportation infrastructure ensures Oregonians can bike, walk, bus, and drive safely to work and school.

Please pass HB 2025 and ensure transportation programs are fully funded. Rachel Schwindt Corvallis