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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation Reinvestment

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2025

I urge you to oppose HB 2025 in its current form.

While investing in Oregon's transportation system is essential, this bill places a disproportionate burden on rural residents, and working families, through increased fuel taxes, new delivery fees, and a mandatory per-mile road usage charge. These regressive measures penalize those with the fewest transportation alternatives and least financial flexibility.

Moreover, the creation of a new "Anchor Project Account" to fund major projects diverts money from local repairs and improvements, threatening the quality and equity of transportation investments statewide. Although audits are proposed, there are no clear safeguards to ensure efficiency, fairness.

Transportation funding must be equitable, future-focused, and community-driven. HB 2025 does not meet those standards.

Respectfully,
Jon Reed