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Joint Committee On Transportation Reinvestment

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It is with great concern that HB 2025 has moved forward to almost the end of this session with one of the biggest tax increases in the history of the Oregon legislature. As a rural Oregonian business, we bear the brunt of this gas tax increases since we are so far from the nearest town and we own a ranch which uses fuel for trucking, running tractors and other equipment as well as daily ranch work to produce our products. Everyone wants affordable housing and we have a few rentals which have needed extensive work after renters damaging the property and it takes us an hour everyday to go work on these properties which assist in providing the very housing Governor Kotek and legislators want to badly. It is essential that ODOT have a thorough audit and work to be economical in their projects. We don't need rocks in our sidewalk corners which I'm sure was very costly. We don't need metal artwork on the overpasses. What Oregonians need are roads that are functional not just in urban Oregon but also in rural Oregon. Oppose HB 2025!!