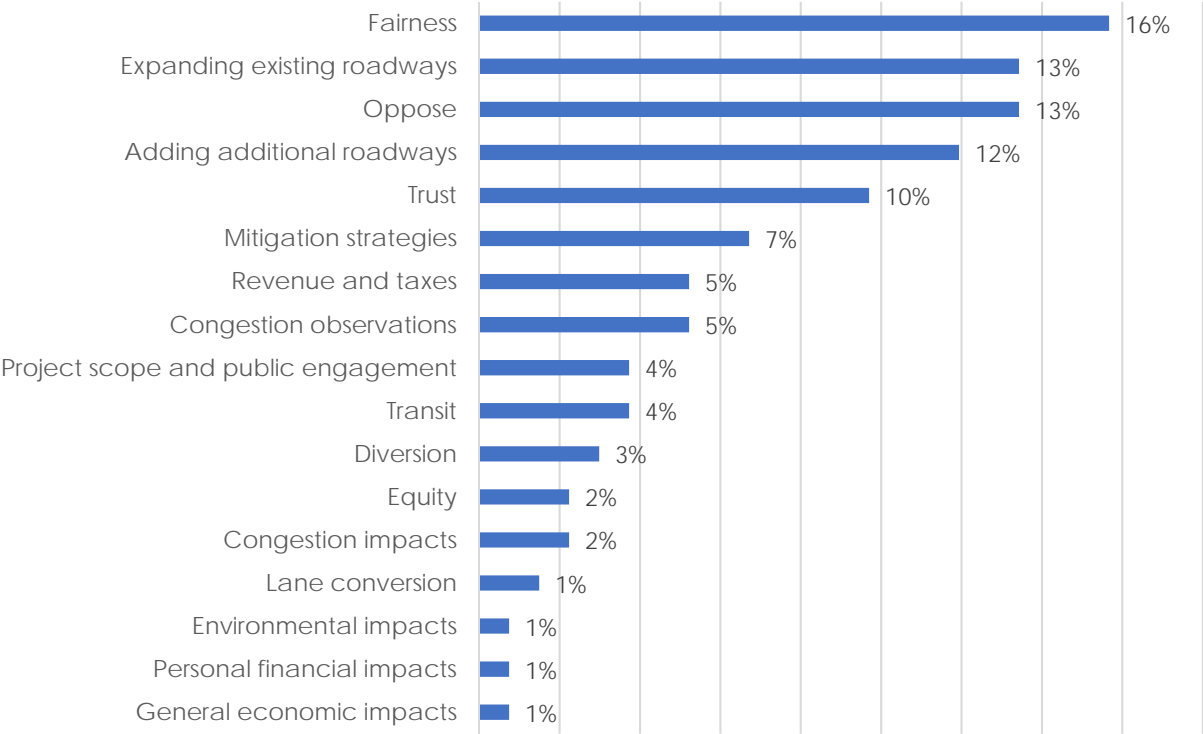


APPENDIX D: OTHER, SPECIFY COMMENTS BY CONCEPT

Question: The community identified several concerns with congestion pricing. Which do you feel is most important to address if this concept was implemented? Please check your top three.

Concept A. Q5: Other specify responses (N=134)



Q5 Responses

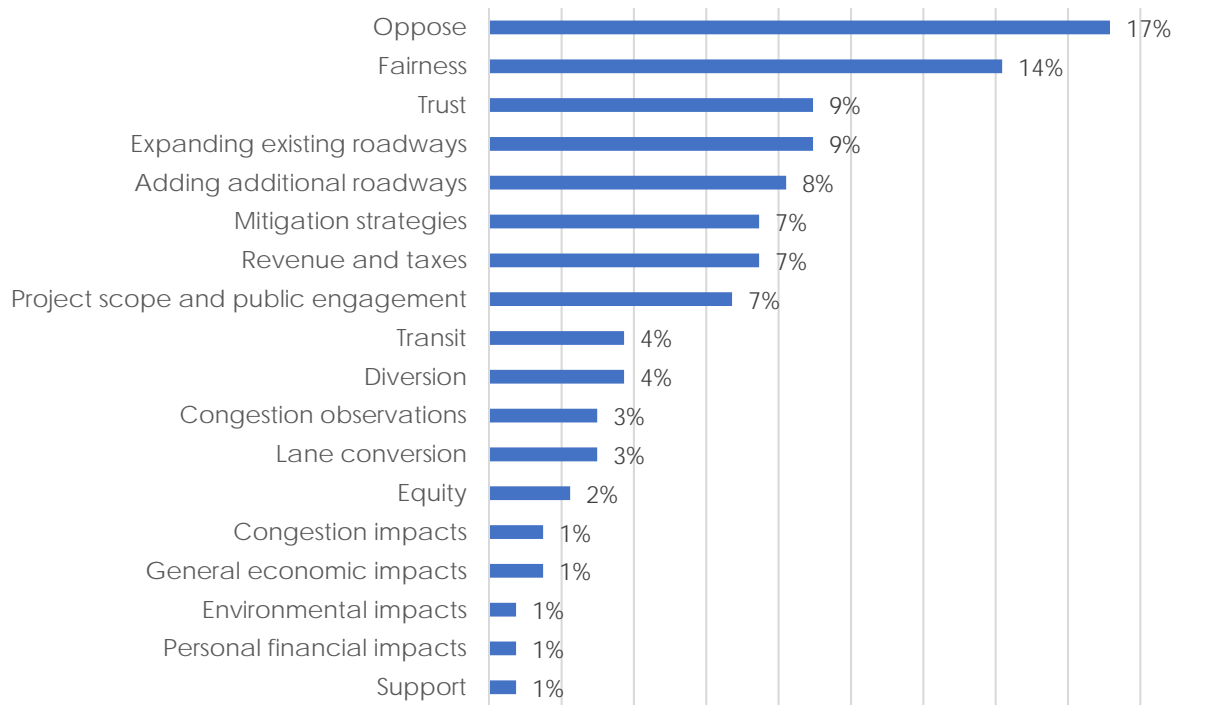
how much text can you write here? lallalalalalldldldldldldldlddnrn can you write even mnor than this? too much! :)
Change college start times to be different from rush hour and furnish free passes to students.
Tolling doesn 't work. People don 't want to pay extra.
Seems likely to have congestion pricing and still have congestion - how do we avoid paying and then sitting in traffic. Also budgets and schedules may not allow for paying the fee or adjusting schedules, then what? Seems like a system to allow people
Use revenue generated to develop system of free HOV lanes
traffic on neighborhood streets
Add Freeway Capacity
Toll all lanes. I have little sympathy for those who choose to live in WA and work in OR.
Build more roads.
Increase capacity over Columbia River
set tolls to manage congestion, not generate revenue
Regressive tax on average workers
Shouldn 't do this option alone. Need to price I-5 thru downtown too.
Increase freeway lanes of traffic
NO TOLL
Don 't add tolls. It doesn 't help traffic congestion. Raise taxes and build more roads.
Privacy - I don 't need government monitoring my movement
Leave it free!!
Extend the toll zone to include Oregon traffic
Not do the bad idea of charging me to drive on a road I already paid taxes on

No tolls - there cannot be fairness in charging for public roads.
Ensure toll revenue is ONLY used for highway costs and only in Portland metro
The HOV lane doesn 't work, neither would a toll for one lane. It would just make the congestion worse. Look to LA and Seattle for comparable systems
Don 't do this! Don 't toll the roads! Add lanes. Don 't toll the freeway!
Build new roads to alleviate congestion.
I think this would just divert more traffic to surface streets and increase crash rates on those streets
tolls won 't improve traffic
No tolls!
Why can 't we use current revenue streams from gas taxes, licensing, other taxes to increase size and expanded roadways to drive on? Adding more fees doesn 't make sense for those of us who use the highways to make a living.
How about actually building a bridge to relive the traffic then toll everyone until it is paid off then drop the toll as we have on other bridges in this State
No changes
Ditto
build more highways
Make sure toll money goes toward congestion improvements not gov 't pet projects.
Add an additional lane as the toll road, preventing the other lanes from being crowded by drivers choosing not to, or CAN NOT AFFORD to pay it
Requiring 3 options is artificially inflating the importance of the preselected issues.
Tolls are not the solution
Don 't charge tolls - bad idea
Abandon the project immediately and cease all tolling. Fire the idiots who thought this rip off up!
Make a new freeway
If we settle oin thsiu option I hope that thise impacted believe that we did a careful and objective job of it. It seems like it:s teh easy one politically because it mostly impacts non-Oregonians. With regard to congestioun relief, I 'd liek to see it started south of its current terminus to the Marquam Bridge regard it
Eliminate ability for Waze, etc to redirect to city streets. Eliminate ALL truck traffic. More cops policing the inevitable jerks who drive on city streets to get around freeways (ALREADY an issue on N Albina, Lombard, etc!!)
Increase freeway capacity by adding lanes & bridges. Adding a bypass freeway west of Vancouver & Portland
Make sure bycles pay as well
Expand the freeway!
Full transparency in advance how the funds will and can be spent and for what
Don 't want toll roads at all
There are studies that show changing a gp lane to a paid lane Increases congestion. This idea will hurt traffic patterns.
Oregon already has one of the highest income taxes in the nation, how about use the money to make our roads better not charge people more money. If any freeway is to be tolled I will move from oregon
Provide a viable transit alternative across the river on dedicated right of way.
Include train route on I-205 NOW
I imagine while you are speeding up people who own fancy sports cars you are actually slowing down everyone else by taking lanes away. Working as intended?
Put in the bridge that should be there. Zero profit to Oregon. The HOV didn 't work and the built-in design flaws of the current I-5 should be fixed first. Get serious, ODOT KNOWS where the pinch points are. They built them in. OR has made it clear that they hate WA residents.
Deal with the real issue - too many semi-trucks on the road.
USing an existing lane for a toll will only make congestion worse.
Give discount to WA drivers who work in OR. We already pay OR tax. This is essentially a second tax for a state where we don 't live.
actually add capacity to the freeway!!
don 't reduce existing carpool lane
You already steal enough in tax payer money.
Administrative overhead wasting funds instead of actually improving roads.
Revenue must not be used for bike lanes, side walls, or buses
Full transparency in project costs, ongoing costs, and demographics of revenue generated.
Add Capacity
Look at the efficacy of Renton WA 405 pay to drive lanes! Congestion is same or worst and those tax dollars used for the "improvement " were wasted.
Add lanes of travel
Lexus lanes. Penalize the working poor, great plan.
No tolls!
Hi
Getting stuck behind trucks in the right lane and making the highway slower.
I don 't care...

Do not add a toll. Ignore other check boxes as not relevant.
this proposal is just a scam by oregon to extort money out of washington residents who are already victims of their taxation without representation policies
Charge additional cost for commercial vehicles regardless of which lane or freeway they use if they are traveling during the day.
Just charge those from Washington
Keep Tolls low so those who have to drive this route to work and have no other option aren't unfairly over-taxed.
Improve roads and stop trying to force things. Let natural consequences provide the controls.
Build more freeways
Build more roads / freeways.
Foremost: deal with likely congestion on US/State Hwys (217/24/10/43/99)
new bridge
Income & Property taxes are already high. I don't see a reason for charging more for the roads. Charging a toll will not only impact low income families, but everyone who uses that route to drive to their jobs. Requiring a toll for the faster lane also ONLY helps the privileged. The people who need their jobs and need to get there on time can not afford a toll every day.
Congestion would get worse if an existing lane was converted to a tolled lane and no expansion occurred.
increase capacity
use revenue to subsidize mass transit
Design to specifically improve freight movement
more lanes
add travel lanes
Unless you build another bridge and extreme Max then this plan will never reduced congestion.
Expand the current infrastructure without tolling, use the current federal and state funds to fund this future expansion. hy are you even considering this? Your job is to use existing funding to make transportation work.
Minimize traffic impact to I-205. Most through & commercial would go around. Big mess already on the east side
no tolls on weekends
People in Portland will say no to anything that looks like progress and should be excluded from participation in the debate
Don't Toll us. Tolls Suck!
Stop new home and apartment construction until tolling is eliminated
Seriously, this area needs a lot more than a toll lane!
There should be NO TOLLS!
see previous
Build a bridge from Woodland to Columbia City and then improve highway 30
DO NOT USE ANY TOLL SYSTEM!!!!
This is a regressive tax, not a solution.
Crossing the Columbia river has no other options. Start tolling after the Marine Drive exit.
Throw this out. It looks like only Washington residents would be paying this toll
Use funds to build a 3rd bridge over the Columbia
add more lanes, not more taxes and fees. revenue used fairly does not apply, you're too corrupt to use funds properly. some of us don't mind clogging up side streets to avoid your taxes.
See first comment
No tolls ever!!
1 lane southbound untolled will force s. bound traffic onto i-205...
Divert money from the overbudget MAX program to simply expand all roads!!!
Add capacity - 1 unpriced lane isn't sufficient - need AT LEAST 1+2 = 3 total lanes
consider proposed baseball stadium
How about you stop building cyclist shit no one, not even they use and use the money to build actual roads, you know that the taxes on fuel pay for.
Build New lanes. Widen the highway and have an express lane that is tolled. Make the express lane change from south going in the morning to northbound in the afternoon
Don't let the government be in control of the roads. Be more like Texas.
Should not be a toll
Make sure revenue is used for transit and walk/bike options
NONE coming out of WA
NO TOLLS!!!!
The bottleneck at 99E and Marine Dr. needs to be addressed - increased capacity over the bridge
Eliminated the last two NB on-ramps and relocate them.
Use revenue to increase freeway capacity
Toll goes away once it's paid. This should not be a permanent revenue source. Tax the new residents. Targets commuters. Cost will be passed to consumers

Use funds for improvements on the same corridors where collected. Do not use funds for ANY purpose other than road improvements, with highest priority given to reducing congestion/improving commute times
Do not add tolls or volume pricing to our existing taxation for roads. This poll is unfairly biased!
Allow people to park at Delta Park without a toll. I almost always park and ride when I go to OR. I am already trying to do my part
Making sure you are not hurting employees who live in WA but work in OR.
I'm already taxed by working in Oregon with no representation in the Oregon government. I only utilize Oregon government services for 9-10 hours per day, Monday through Friday, so I am being "overtaxed" based on my time in Oregon. Now you want to tax me more for using roads as well. If you implement this, 1) I should get a refund on my taxes, 2) have a waiver for my family driving on tolled roads, and 3) get voting rights in Oregon.
Spend what you already have, NO NEW TAXES, TOLLS NOTHING. WE have to live within our budget, so should you. And just WHO ARE YOU anyway? Why haven't you consistently updated/upgraded projects to deal with excessive traffic years ago while everyone and their brother was moving here. Now that it's almost in crisis mode you feel the need to do something? YOU ARE PATHETIC, and I think I stand with 100% of Oregon and SW WA people when I say NO NEW TAXES/TOLLS. ENOUGH !!!
There is only one answer here. Not three answers as required by the questionnaire. Government should spend the people's money more wisely. Expand motor vehicle lanes which represents the great majority of all transportation in your region. My other two selections for this question are not valid and only selected to meet the requirements of this questionnaire.
you HAVE to provide more transit options for PDX residents working all over Vancouver. Don't fault us for driving during low congestion hours.
Unfairly targets WA residents. There are not alternative routes
Take into account transportation services from Vancouver WA into Portland that use volunteers, e.g. Veterans shuttle, Catholic Community Services volunteer drivers who take low income clients to appointments via I-5 and I-205
Discourage SOV use in support of regional climate goals.
Stop trying to control my driving habits
I would no longer work in Oregon.
Do not charge Oregon nonresidents ANY tolls, we already pay your garbage income tax and the only Oregon service we are allowed to use is the roads
CONCERN WITH SURFACE STREETS IMPACT, ESPECIALLY WITH SEVERE WEATHER
Don't do it. Unfair to people who must go to Vancouver frequently. There is no other way to approach this bridge across the river. This is an undue burden
More Tax B.S. NO! Disregard All checked boxes but this one
use taxes as intended, quit wasting money
No tolls during off peak hours.
No charge for non peak driving
Come up with alternative ideas to tolling. Get the trucks off of the main through fares as they are more likely to pay the tolls in order to avoid slowdowns. Normal people will stay off the tolls to save money as everything is going up in price and most people will not be able to pay for it to use it daily..
Reduce the number of large trucks.
Use existing lanes for carpools 2+ during peak hours.
Place limits on the hours of tolling, and devise a procedure to govern any changes to those hours.
Stop new home and apartment construction until tolling is eliminated
The free use during off-peak pricing is recommended and desired

Concept B. Q9: Other, specify (N=134)



Q9 Responses

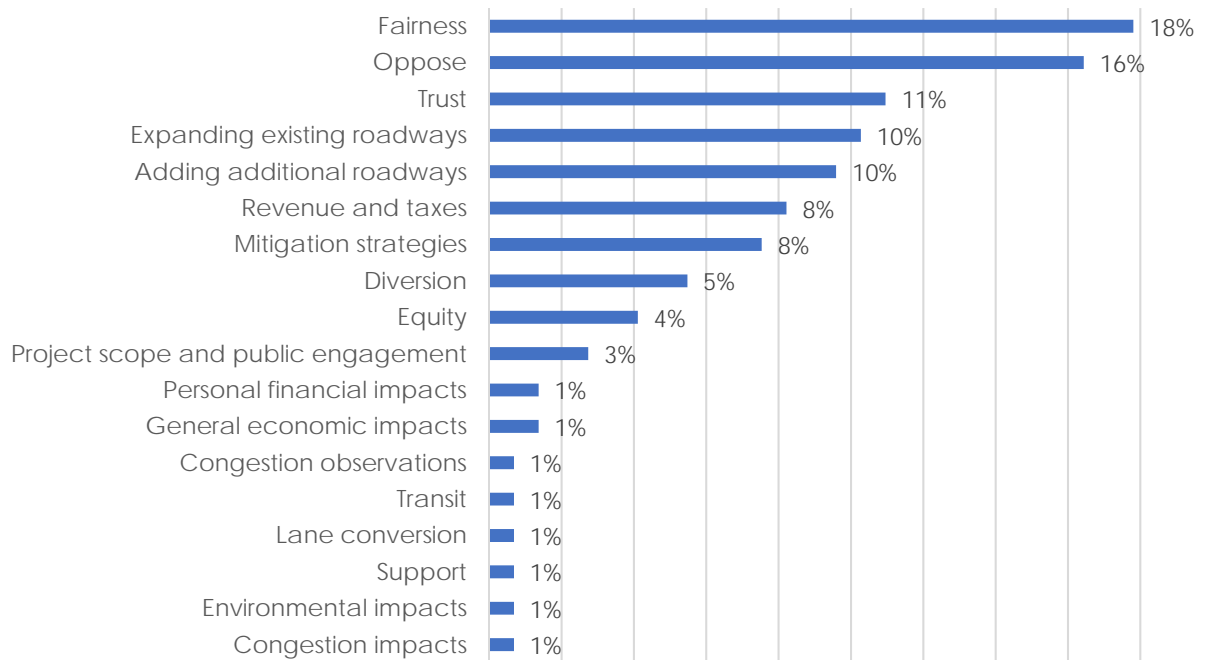
Change college start times to be different from rush hour and furnish free passes to students.
Tolling doesn 't work, people don 't want to pay extra.
Fix the slow down caused by the I5 84 cluster
HOV lanes
nobody will shop or visit downtown Portland
Add Freeway Capacity
Fund good non-automobile alternatives, and allow a long time for the resistant to decide they need to try something different.
Build more roads.
Build another bridge across Columbia
set tolls to manage congestion, not generate revenue
Regressive tax on average workers not only low income
NO TOLL
Don 't add tolls. We already adapt by avoiding driving the congested freeways during peak hours. We pay our taxes. We shouldn 't have to pay to drive on our roads. Be more responsible with the money you already have. Quit paying for social programs such as free abortions for all Oregonians. Allocate more money for infrastructure, and build more roads.
Privacy - I don 't need government monitoring my movement
extend toll zone to OR 217 interchange both directions
Build MAX line to Vancouver
This is a bad idea. It will only result in the rich using our roads that we all paid for, or a disproportionate tax on the middle income or poor
Toll roads are never fair. They increase costs for those least likely to be able to afford them. Increases unemployment and homeless.
Ensure toll revenue is ONLY used for highway costs and only in Portland metro
Don 't toll the freeway!!! Don 't do this!!! Add lanes!
No tolls during off peak hours.
New tax you need to make new roads
Build new roads to alleviate congestion.

I think this option would be a big negative for the community as it would just divert more freeway traffic to speeding on surface streets and increase crash rates there. The real solution is to add capacity, or to build good transit service that actually serves the people and not developers.
won 't help
No tolls!!!
No charge for non peak driving
I have to make a living by using the highway at times that I can 't control. Mass transit or carpools don 't go where I go.
Design system to avoid diversion of traffic onto I-84, I-405, and US 26.
Fund projects to relieve traffic and if tolling only until the projects are paid off as the case with other bridges in Oregon
No changes
Come up with alternative ideas to tolling. Get the trucks off of the main through fares as they are more likely to pay the tolls in order to avoid slowdowns. Normal people will stay off the tolls to save money as everything is going up in price and most people will not be able to pay for it to use it daily..
Do not toll all lanes
stop spending transportation dollars on light rail and build more roads
Add an additional lane as the toll road, preventing the other lanes from being crowded by drivers choosing not to, or CAN NOT AFFORD to pay it
Requiring 3 options artificially inflates the importance of the preselected issues.
Tolls are not the solution
Don 't charge tolls
Abandon the rip off immediately and cancel all tolling!
Make a new freeway
This option would make congestion worse on I-5 bdue to te backups at exit rampos to avoid the priced section. Without a systemwide system suyrounding te Centrak City, this woukd have significant adverse i,pacts and not resykt in any positive effects
We need more capacity in our freeways or we need to stop people from moving in! We need a new freeway on west of town that bipasses town/ Vancouver
Make sure bycle 's pay as well
I think this idea is horrible. How can you toll when you are adding nothing? Makes no sense. Please do not add any more public transit options. I do not know anyone that uses or would use public transit.
Expand the freeway
Don 't want at all
You already tax Portland residents a ridiculous amount of taxes. Kate brown needs to get her head out her ass and make better use of the millions we already give you. NO TOLLS ON ANY HIGHWAY, NOW OR NEVER!
I drive on a very short distance on the portion marked in blue. Perhaps a mile or so, so what happens to me? I 'm going south away from the city, I shouldn 't be penalized
study who and where you are diverting the congestion to while you 're clearing up the paid stretch
The concept of changing working hours is absurd and shows how out of touch OR is with reality. People can 't just choose their hours.
Reduce the number of large trucks.
Roads are already taxed. This plan goes against federal guidlines for tolling interstate freeways.
actually increase the capacity of the freeway
Use existing lanes for carpools 2+ during peak hours.
Tolls will not reduce traffic. We 've already paid for the roads
Administrative overhead wasting funds instead of actually improving roads.
Revenue should be used solely for improving roads. Not bike lanes or pedestrian sidewalks.
Full transparency in project costs, ongoing costs, and demographics of revenue generated.
Add Capicity
Metro has not upgraded roads in its area in 30 years, but has collected our taxes for that long. State property tax is one of the highest so is state income tax! Now because of their incompetence their solution is to tax us more
Dont charge. I already paid for the road
Make public transit pay its fair share.
Place limits on the hours of tolling, and devise a procedure to govern any changes to those hours.
No tolls!
It
Low income people will be impacted by this stupid proposal.
Stop the idea altogether
Most implies you want ONE answer, not three.
Fraudulent poll
again the tolls are just a scam attempt to gouge more money from washington residents
This could encourage greater congestion on 205 leading to a less balanced system. Toll both I-5 and I-205 at the same time!

Here is the thing about tolls...I hate them.
Improve roads and stop trying to force things. Let natural consequences provide the controls.
Don 't do it
widen the freeway
new bridge
Nothing has been done to I-5 for many years, while high income and property taxes are being charged. The toll is NOT needed.
Why are users being double taxed to use a federally funded highway?
increase capacity
Use fees to subsidize mass transit
add lanes to free ways
Expand the current infrastructure without tolling, use the current federal and state funds to fund this future expansion.
Toll roads are not the answer
Minimize Impact to I-205 / Hwy 224 because of diversion traffic. 205 would be a parking lot at the expense of I-5
no tolls on weekends
NO NO NO
Don 't toll us. Tolls Suck!
Stop new home and apartment construction until tolling is eliminated
If you toll this section, I-205 will beomce SO MISERABLE!!!
There should be NO TOLLS!
Don 't do it! I split time between Kirkland Wa and Portland. Kirkland is directly along I405 where they added the express toll lanes. It makes traffic worse for everyone except those willing to pay. The entire idea is seriously an absolute joke that only hurts traffic and increases accidents. There is not a single person I know in the Seattle area that likes what was done on 405. I saw your report that it would reduce drive time by 22 minutes. That study was clearly biased and manipulated to make it sound better than it is.
how much are we charged to go from the 405 to 84 ? The same as the full length of the I-5 section?
Build new bridge between Columbia City and Woodland, Washington.
Don 't implement it in the first place. It 's NOT fair to anyone!
This is just a regressive tax, not a solution to the problem.
Find funding from another source
Don 't do it
This is option is, by far, the most likely to generate significant income. Many, many non-locals use this segment daily. A toll here shifts the burden from everyday, local commuters, so everyone who uses the road.
Ditch the whole the thing.
Toll only during peak times
add more lanes, not more taxes and fees. revenue used fairly does not apply, you 're too corrupt to use funds properly. some of us don 't mind clogging up side streets to avoid your taxes.
See 1st comment
Fuck tolls altogether...my taxes already cover this
We need MAX down to Wilsonville or make the WES train run 7 days a week and at least 10hrs per day. Drivers all along I-5 have no options to commute other than by car. Stop blaming drivers & start providing solutions; taxing/tolling us is not the answer. This is especially relevant when my f 'd up rent keeps increasing, my insurance keeps increasing and my pay went DOWN by \$20K per year. Exactly how am I suppose to get ahead when I don 't even get paid a decent salary?
Traffic will move to i-205 and plug the east side
Please don 't do this, Portland is such a great city and does not need to be bounded by tolls. Sure, protect the poor, but you 're going to hurt the middle class
Need to add lane capacity - 99W and 43 aren 't enough for alternates
consider proposed increased traffic due to proposed baseball stadium
Use income to expand the highways. More lanes are needed. Congestion pricing will not resolve this issue. Stop with the bike lanes and add highway lanes
Don 't let the government be in control of the roads. Be more like Texas.
Should not be a toll
Make sure revenue is used for transit at walk/bike options
NONE
Widen the interstate!
NO TOLLS!!!!
Add more lanes. Build a better I-5 bridge. Adding costs won 't fix this problem.
The 99E / Marine Dr. interchange bottleneck will back up into this area - how would that help?
Use tool revenue to increase freeway capacity.
Feel like I 'm living in New Jersey. Has tax revenue been this mismanagemed
Use funds for improvements on the same corridors where collected. Do no use funds for ANY purpose other than road improvements, with highest priority given to reducing congestion/improving commute times

Do not add tolls or volume pricing to our existing taxation for roads.This poll is unfairly biased!
People working in OR but living in WA are unfairly affected. You would lose workers and businesses
Please see my previous write-in. Southwest WA residents have no other choice if we retired people have to keep medical appointments in suburban Portland area.
NO TOLLS
The only options you provide are biased and assume implentation of an unfair and impractical idea for most travelers. I am asked to choose at least three of the above choices of which none are reasonable to most individuals. Questionare is biased toward a fee.
build a PDX Express Bi-pass
Take into account transportation services from Vancouver WA into Portland that use volunteers, e.g. Veterans shuttle, Catholic Community Services volunteer drivers who take low income clients to appointments via I-5 and I-205
Minimize SOV use in support of regional climate goals
Stop trying to control my driving habits!
I travel from Hillsboro to Willamette Cemetery & Back once a month to visit & place flowers on my wifes grave & I resent having to pay any price to make this visit
Give the folks in Vancouver a break
Do not charge oregon nonresident taxpayers tolls, we already pay your stupid income tax and our money taken should already go to roads
The free use during off-peak pricing is recommended and desired
Terribly unfair to those of us who have to go to Portland for specific appointments from out of town and need to drive this way. We can 't change times or locations
NO!!!! Not toll tax! FREEWAY Quit wasting our \$ and do your job!
Drop the plan
use our taxes more efficiently, cut waste of which there is plenty of

Concept C. Q13: Other, specify (N=146)



Q13 Responses

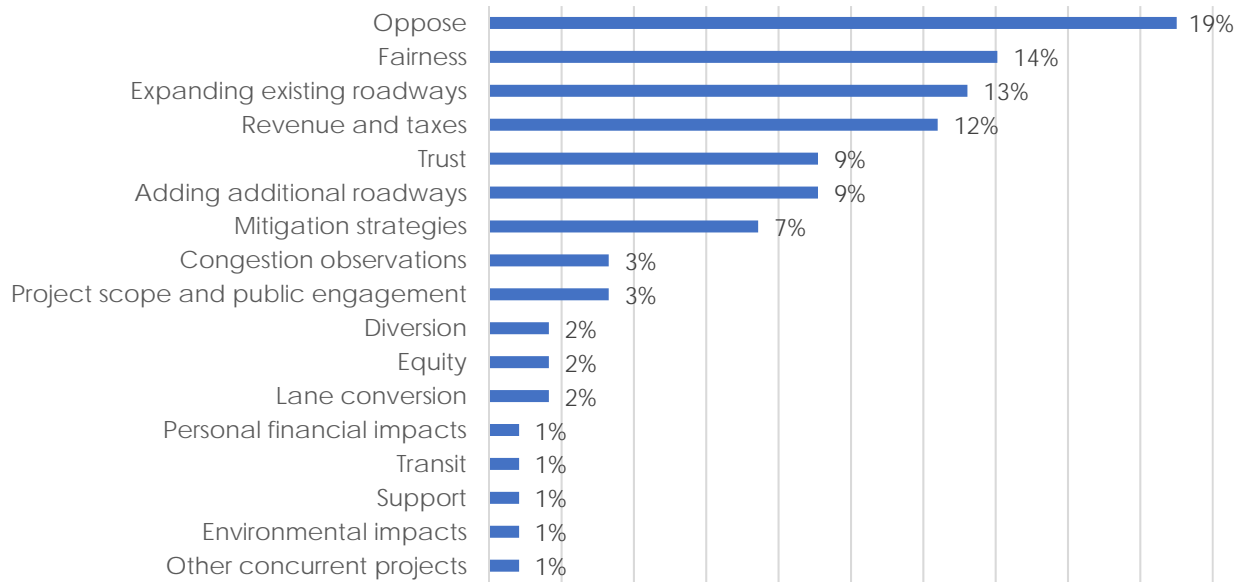
Change college start times to be different from rush hour and furnish free passes to students.
Tolling doesn 't work, people don 't want to pay extra
How about we solve the trucks driving in the city and the 26 tunnel and the 84/5 e change instead of putting a bandaid on it
Designate % funds to install free HOV lanes
keep traffic off neighborhood streets
Add Freeway Capacity
This will destroy quality of life in our neighborhood and town.
Add capacity to the system
Regressive tax on average workers and a massive way to discourage commuting from suburbs to Portland down town
NO TOLL
Don 't add tolls. All it really does is make it so the rich who can afford to pay get to use the roads, while the middle class and poor can 't afford it. We all pay taxes for the road system. We all should have equal access to the roads.
Privacy - I don 't need government monitoring my movement
Make it cheap, or leave it free!!
Extend tolls to inbound I-84, US 26, and OR 217 (both directions)
Use revenue for bike/bus infrastructure
Design alternative with no further cost to travelers. We already pay taxes to support roads. The state legislature can reduce budget cost elsewhere and increase financing here. This is a idea that only causes further congestion and accidents and deaths on the lanes that are left. This gives a disproportionate taxation on lower income or if we don 't pay it makes us travel in more congested and hazardous lanes. You can see the congestion is more and accidents have increased on 405 and I5 in WA where they have this
Toll roads on public highways cannot be fair or justified. NO TOLLS!!!
Ensure toll revenue is ONLY used for highway costs and only in Portland metro
Drive businesses out of Portland
I don 't want tolls
Don 't toll the freeway!!! Add lanes!!! Don 't toll the road!!!
No tolls during off peak hours.
Build more roads to alleviate congestion.
Actually build more capacity to handle the increased demand from more people living in this area. Drivers that should be on the freeway end up using local streets (whether due to congestion or tolls) and speed through communities making the surface streets less safe.
Use existing state and federal funds to build more lanes and eliminate bottle necks

won 't help
No tolls!!
Enforcing common sense merging of vehicles would speed traffic more than another tax on driving
We need more roadways for the vehicles we have. I have to make a living by driving on the roads and can't depend upon mass transit -- it doesn't go where I need to go.
Measures to prevent congestion increases on I-84 from drivers trying to avoid tolls
Make pricing fair to those who live around these freeways
Use toll only to pay off cost of project to relive traffic until project is paid then stop toll
No changes
Look to Austin to see how this is a bad idea. Very few will use it and traffic will divert to side streets to avoid the tolls. A better option would be to divert truck traffic around Portland to relieve congestion off these roads. Think outside the box.
Side streets would get clogged. Almost impossible to get to critical services from Oregon city... plus work
Build more bridges and roads, stop wasting money of light rail expansion
Most sts gov 's use dept of trans money as a slush fund for pet projects not for improved trans. Garentee use on roads
Add an additional lane as the toll road, preventing the other lanes from being crowded by drivers choosing not to, or CAN NOT AFFORD to pay it
Requiring 3 options artifically increases the importance of the preselected issues. None of which are important to me.
Tolls are not the solution
Don't do it - Tolls suck!
Abandon the project immediately and cease all tolling. Fire the numbskulls who thought up this idea!
Make a new freeway and bridge!!!
After Pricing new capacity on both I5 an I205, this option would be the most equitable and most effective ytraffic management option
We need added lanes & bridges to increase capacity. We also need a new freeway west side of town from Longview to Sherwood.
Make bikes pay as well
This is unfair! You are making people pay for NOTHING, how is this even a possibility?
Expand the freeway
Be transparent & clear where and how specifically the revenue would/could be used
This is worst option of all
Please tax gas instead of transit on roads.
Is this a joke? No way in hell are priced tolls going to reduce congestion when everyone has to go through a check point and pay. For the love of God use our already extremely high taxes to pay for a wider freeway you liberal cucks!
Incorporate lite rail on the entire loop
Don't tool us for using our own roads, toll on new roads
Selecting this because I don't agree with any others
Now everyone will be on all the side streets and you just increased my commute going a back way by 30 minutes. Thank you
investigate government corruption
See all my other comments. Do it right, fix the existing pinch points, stop holding everyone hostage on federal roads.
Reduce semi-trucks on the road.
Roads are already taxed. This plan goes against federal guidelines regarding tolling interstate freeways.
actually add cacacity to the freeways
Tolls just make poorer population more disadvantaged.
Create carpool lanes from existing lanes; 2+ = usage.
bulid new lanes accoss state line
This won't help congestion.
Administrative overhead wasting funds instead of actually improving roads.
Make sure revenue is used solely for vehicle traffic. Not bike lanes or sidewalks.
Full transparency in project costs, ongoing costs, and demographics of revenue generated.
Build more Capacity
I do independent contracting. Every day a different place. Carpool, transit, deviation of work hours are all out of the question. Increasing my fees to my customers is my only option.
Apperantly you don't understand that we have to travel when we do for WORK
The ODOT creates congestion with road construction, lane restrictions and bike lanes and then uses this as leverage to extract more money from the public. Nice plan!
Build more freeway lanes with the revenue. Many people have set schedules for work, and can't change times. Healthcare workers work 12 hour shifts at night time, carpooling isn't always an option, and riding public transportation workers could increase a day to be 14 hours or more leaving little time time to sleep for the next shift.
Dont toll!
Low income people will be especially impacted by this ridiculous proposal.
Don't do it

No toll. Ignore other check boxes
this whole proposal is a scam by oregon to unfairly extort more money from washington residents because they can't manage to use the money wisely and fix decades of horrible policies and wasting tons of money on things noone wants that don't actually fix the problem see http://johnley.us/a-tale-of-two-transportation-projects/ for an example
HOV and Toll Lanes should be introduced on all freeways
Government should provide equal and free access to public infrastructure, not require those that with fewer means to disproportionately suffer.
Improve roads and stop trying to force things. Let natural consequences provide the controls.
Don't do it.
build more roads
adding a new bridge,
Introducing a toll will impact the community in very negative ways. People use these roadways to drive to jobs to support themselves and their families. There has got to be another way to acquire sufficient funds. These highways are also used by people on holiday. charging them is also not fair. This will also disadvantage not only low income families, but anyone driving on these roadways.
This would be an unfair burden for users of these freeways that are already paying taxes for!
increase capacity
Use fee revenues to subsidize mass transit.
more freeway lanes
add more lanes no toll
Extend Max and provide another way across the river. You are taxing the only entrance to Oregon.
Expand the current infrastructure without tolling, use the current federal and state funds to fund this future expansion.
If you toll the road, figure on heavy side road traffic
Worst. Idea. Ever.
There aren't enough "work arounds ". Basically a tax on using existing roadways. No Public transit available
no tolls on weekends
laughable. PDX population has grown every year since I am aware of ('04). I have not seen any indication of increasing highway capacity since then. we are a large city & yet, in many areas, only have 2 thru lanes on the only highways available. How is that considered a highway?
NO NO NO
Raise tolls as high as possible to minimize congestion
Tolls Suck! Don't toll us!
Make sure that there is a way to get from Vancouver to Portland that isn't taxed/tolled, or delay the toll until after the first few exit's south of the river.
Stop new home and apartment construction until tolling is eliminated.
Have you checked how tolls have worked in other growing cities?
There should be NO TOLLS!
Stop making it harder to survive as a working family in an overpriced area!
This is the worst idea ever.... money hungry.
No impact on senior citizens/ Oregon pioneers that have paid for these roads you are co-opting.
This section also goes through suburban towns and traffic diversion will negatively affect the quality of life for residents
STOP ALL TOLLING!!!
This is a regressive tax, not a solution
Do not charge Oregon residents for funding as many out of stater use the highways
Don't do it
I don't want to make sure revenue is used fairly, I want it used efficiently and effectively. The bottom line is too many people have moved here and our entire transportation infrastructure is insufficient to support the increase. We need more bridges, more lanes on existing freeways, and new freeways. Simoly adding tolls and fees does not change the number of people on the roads. So, any funds collected NEED to go toward increasing bandwidth.
Crossing the Columbia river has no alternatives. Start tolling after the first viable exit on both freeways.
Ditch plan
add more lanes, not more taxes and fees. revenue used fairly does not apply, you're too corrupt to use funds properly. some of us don't mind clogging up side streets to avoid your taxes.
see 1st comment
Easy pay system so our employers can pay for those of us who drive for work
No. No. Never a toll
The problem with the ENTIRE stretch of I-5 from Aurora to Vancouver is semi-trucks! They should not be allowed to drive past the 205. That is why the 205 was created. Semi-trucks clog I-5, cause accidents & make driving I-5 a nightmare. They don't use the by-pass lane at Barber, and they frequently use the middle & left lanes which causes more traffic backups. I-5 runs very well when there are NO semi-trucks. Get rid of them, they are the problem. Car drivers are not and we should NOT be taxed/tolled for this! It's stupid.
What a nightmare to try to get from Oregon City to West Linn. Will totally cut off parts of the area because of tolls.
DON'T BRING TOLLS TO PORTLAND

Build the 405 route that has been study for years and toll that
Widen existing freeways. Don 't make traffic worse by adding tolls
Let a private entity construct take over the toll roads so the government isn 't involved and the roads will be maintained.
No toll
Make sure revenue is used for transit and bike/walk options
NONE coming out of WA
tolling is completely unacceptable and not in Oregon or WA best interest. Asking WA to pay OR? These are interstate! What about commerce and employment hardships? Or has it completely out of touch with reality of working class. Or would not have the business if not for employees from W either. Build another bridge damn it!
NO TOLLS!!!
Use toll revenue to increase freeway capacity.
These tolls unfairly target commuters and West Linn residents. It is costly enough to live here.
Use funds for improvements on the same corridors where collected. Do no use funds for ANY purpose other than road improvements, with highest priority given to reducing congestion/improving commute times
Disparate impact to locals with no alternative options
Do not add tolls or volume pricing to our existing taxation for roads.This poll is unfairly biased!
Allow drivers to park at Delta Park or Cascade station with out a toll fee. I already do this when I can. Trying to do my part. Please don 't make it harder.
70k WA residents working in OR. Non-resident 9% OR income tax paid on average \$20k income OR. = \$126,000,000 ROAD TAX and growing every year because Salem won 't raise vehicle taxes to pay Oregon 's infrastructure maintenance expenses.
NO TOLLS. USE THE MONEY YOU HAVE IN THE COFFERS. NOBODY TRUSTS THE GOVERNMENT TO NOT WASTE OUR MONEY AS YOU HAVE PROVEN YOU CAN 'T MAINTAIN A BUDGET. BUILD A COUPLE OF NEW BRIDGES !!!
Most important would be to build additional roads and bridges for motorists. Quit spending our money on bike and trimet which are under used.
As a WA driver who comes into OR frequently, paying a toll where the funds will not benefit me is quite frustrating building additional route across Columbia River
Take into account transportation services from Vancouver WA into Portland that use volunteers, e.g. Veterans shuttle, Catholic Community Services volunteer drivers who take low income clients to appointments via I-5 and I-205
Minimize SOV use in support of regional climate goals
Stop trying to control my driving habits.
I would no longer travel to Oregon
Do not tax Oregon non-residents who pay Oregon Income tax or there will be REAL protests
least encouraged option; change to let WA people have an option without tolls. If WA pays tolls, rev goes back to WA
Don 't do it. Unfair to people who must go this way with no alternatives and who drive FAR to get to Portland in the first place
More tax B.S.
Dump the plan completely
use revenue as intended, take care of infrastructure

Concept D. Q17: Other, specify (N=121)



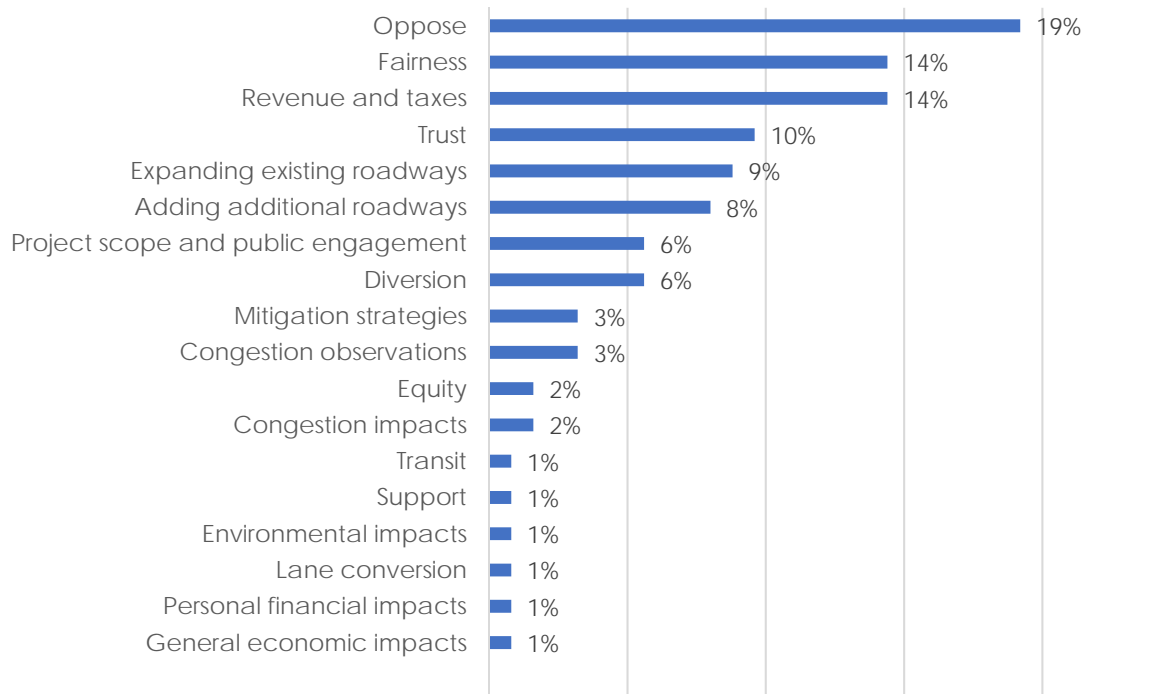
Q17 Responses

Change college start times to be different from rush hour and furnish free passes to students.
Tolling doesn 't work, people don 't want to pay extra.
Designate % funds for system of free HOV lanes
neighborhood traffic
Add freeway capacity
Build more roads.
Add capacity to I-205
set tolls at rates to manage congestion, not generate revenue.
Regressive tax on average workers
NO TOLL
Don 't add tolls. Just look at Seattle. The rich get to drive on the roads that the middle class paid for. Raise taxes on everyone, tell the legislature to be more responsible in their budget and to allocate more money for more roads. Keep our freeways free to all classes.
Privacy - I don 't need government monitoring my movement
Make it cheap, or free!!
Get real...this plan is guaranteed gridlock regionally
This is a bad idea, it causes more congestion and traffic congestion and accidents
Tolls are unfair.
Male it law that toll funds can ONLY be used for highway projects and only in Portland metro
Don 't toll the freeway!!! Add lanes!!!
You found new tax
Build more roads to alleviate congestion.
I would support this option if it actually increases capacity
Add additional lanes and eliminate existing bottle necks
won 't help
Don 't support tolling. Use existing funds
I205 has space to expand. Don 't tax us to drive when we need to drive.
Use tolls to relive traffic projects until projects are paid off then stop toll as we have with other projects in this state
No changes
Have a cap, so thise of us that have long comutes so we can afford a place to live don 't go bankrupt getting back and forth from work.
I understand you need revenue to create new roads, but tolling doesn 't work well. Look to cities like Houston, Austin and Dallas with lots of toll roads as people avoid the tolls and find ways to avoid them for short trips. Only those traveling through the area and not living there use the tolls.
There are only 1 or 2 roads other than 205 to go between Stafford and Oregon city. The alternate roads are already jammed

Use toll money to build new lanes
Add as many lanes as possible
Add an additional lane as the toll road, preventing the other lanes from being crowded by drivers choosing not to, or CAN NOT AFFORD to pay it
This is disengenuous. You are artificially raising the importance of the preselected issues by requiring 3.
Tolls are not the solution
Don't charge tolls
Abandon the project immediately and cease all tolling. Fire the idiots who thought this idea up!
Make a new freeway.
Use revenues fairly
As with the Abernethy Bridge option, this solves a relatively minor congestion issue in a very minor segment of the system. The Legislature had and its stakeholders had a big payback in mind.
Expand the freeway
Please be transparent where and how the money will be used
Once again no amount of tolled roads will help congestion you ignorant fools. Use our current tax money and fix the congestion by adding more lanes or alternate roads.
Revenue should go to more permanent solutions.
How dare you say "minimal" diversion after building the Stafford exit roundabout and upgrading bridge to help DIVERT traffic off I-205 to Stafford Road for cut through traffic on local streets!
I work in Canby. It seems unfair to charge me for working when there is no public transportation option that offers less than a five hour commute.
Don't penalize people who took the only job they could get in an area where they have no choice but to drive!!!! I don't have a transportation option. I'm providing for my family. Whatever you implement, will not stop people from needing to drive, you are penalizing working people. You shouldn't penalize people who have no other choices to get to work.
do not shift the burden of solving / paying for tax congestion to east side residents
Get it right. Stop abusing the citizens
Reduce commercial truck volume.
Roads are already taxed. "Congestion pricing" goes against federal guidelines.
actually add capacity
Dedicate one lane/each direction to be a carpool lane during worst hours.
Tolls will not help reduce traffic. Taking the corrupt liberals out of Oregon will. Or build another bridge.
Administrative overhead wasting funds instead of actually improving roads.
Revenue must not be used for sidewalks, bike lanes, or buses
Full transparency in project costs, ongoing costs, and demographics of revenue generated.
Build more Capacity
don't toll
No tolls!
Not implement congestion pricing in the first place.
Just NO to tolls!
Don't do it
Forcing a choice gives you biased results.
Ask a yes or no question on the poll to make is valid.
Toll non WL residents only/offer a resident bypass of the toll
don't do it its just a ripoff scam to extort money out of washington residents
Raise the speed limit for passenger vehicles
Transit service in this area is terrible!
Make sure everyone suffers equally.
Stop trying to force things. Let natural consequences constrain usage.
Widen the freeway to take more cars
build more roads
Ensure congestion on alternative routes (Arch bridge/43, Sellwood/43, 99) does not increase
add a new bridge
Paying the toll will slow the roadways, and people will just use alternative routes. This is not a viable option for the community.
Expand the freeway FIRST, then toll the new lane.
Use fees to subsidize mass transit
add travel lanes
Expand the current infrastructure without tolling, use the current federal and state funds to fund this future expansion.
Issue is the Bridge. Traffic in downtown OC would be horrendous trying to get to West Linn and back. The OC bridge isn't built to handle the traffic load that the toll on the bridge would cause. Toll the lane but leave travel on the bridge out of toll
no weekend tolls

grow up and expand the highway 1st before looking to try to divert or tax users who have no other options.
NO NO NO
Don 't toll us. This toll idea sucks!
Stop new home and apartment construction until tolling is eliminated.
it is ridiculous to think that this is going to really help congestion
There should be NO TOLLS!
Traffic diversion is already a problem on Willamette Falls Drive, creating major delays and traffic through West Linn and causing regular problems like getting out of my driveway between 4-6pm
Don 't toll even like this if you can help it. It doesn 't help the public.
I currently use this route to get to work. From Stafford to 99E. I usually encounter no traffic (north bound in the morning, south bound in the evening) I wouldn 't pay the toll but it may make my commute longer since everyone would have one unpriced lane or forced me to use the toll.
This is a regressive tax, not a solution.
Do not charge Oregonians.
I would rather see an additional lane or two, per direction, be added. There is adequate space.
Ditch plan
End date of toll when project is paid
add additional lanes on I-5 and I-205, no bus or tri-met on highways. and really ? forcing people to choose 3 options when only one makes sense ? you 're too corrupt to use revenue fairly, and too broke to provide alternative driving routes. again. add more lines of traffic. simple!
Toll lanes do not decrease -traffic-Amen! I resent constant demand for money-toll roads still get backed up and congested and the lines to pay for toll are crazy so you pay to spend MORE time on the road-How about limiting the number of people that move to this State/City-I have been in other states that actually do that and build their infrastructure as they slowly grow!
No new regressive taxes
Stop taxing the people!
Tolling new lanes only seems a way to go
Too much money going to mass transit in Portland and not enough on Portland roads, please figure this out without adding tolls to our beautiful home
This would likely only further exacerbate the increasing amount of traffic getting off at Stafford and driving Johnson to cut through to West Linn
Don 't let the government be in control of the roads. Be more like Texas.
No tolls
Use revenue for transit and walk/bike
Stop! Do nothing Money in OR hands is not spent well
NO TOLLS!!!!
Proper use of gas taxes and federal funds.
Use toll revenue to increase freeway capacity.
Commuters don 't have a choice of when they travel. Hi congestion times are until 7:00 pm. These tolls become a permanent revenue source. This is a terrible plan
Do not add tolls or volume pricing to our existing taxation for roads.This poll is unfairly biased!
Tolling will make our son-in law (lives in Gresham) pay for his kindness to come and cut/trim our Vancouver home grass/shrubs
NO TOLLS PERIOD.
We need more lanes which have been and are paid by motorist. Please represent the people you are elected to represent. Not the vocal minority. Why must I choose three answers to this question when only one applies. This is another way to make it look as there is approval from some citizens. I selected three choices, but only one choice is valid.
build new lanes and/or Portland by pass
Take into account transportation services from Vancouver WA into Portland that use volunteers, e.g. Veterans shuttle, Catholic Community Services volunteer drivers who take low income clients to appointments via I-5 and I-205
Dislike this project in particular because it encourages more private vehicle use, when we need to be reducing private vehicle use to meet regional climate goals
Stop trying to control my driving habits
Do not charge oregon nonresidents who pay income tax anything. Period.
like that this give option for non-tolled lanes
Don 't do it at all!!!
More tas B.S.
use revenue as intended

Concept E. Q21: Other, specify (N=125)



Q21 Responses

Toll roads don't solve problems because people already pay enough taxes that don't get used appropriately, they don't want to pay more just to travel from one place to another.
Designate % of fees to install system of free HOV lanes
I don't like how the revenue would go to highway expansion, the point is to reduce congestion, not increase it by getting more cars clogging I-205 neighborhood streets
Add freeway capacity
We live on what is already the number one diversion route. It is a nightmare every day during commute times. Also, live in West Linn, work in Vancouver. No option to carpool, use mass transit, or shift my work time. Commute is HELL. Build more lanes.
Build more capacity for I-205
Set tolls to manage congestion, not raise revenue
Regressive tax on average workers
redesign the on ramp entrance to improve safety
NO TOLL
Don't add tolls, especially to all lanes. You're just making it so the rich have the road to themselves, while the middle class and the poor don't get to drive on the roads their taxes paid for. That's not right.
Privacy - I don't need government monitoring my movement
Make it cheap, or leave it free!!
more fairly balance interstate users fee participation (i.e. commercial traffic and through travellers
This is a bad idea
There cannot be and fairness in toll roads.
Ensure toll revenue is ONLY used for highway costs and only in Portland metro
Don't toll the freeway! Don't do this! Add lanes. Don't toll the freeway!!!
Build more roads to alleviate congestion.
This concept would be best if the tolled lane is actually new capacity
Add more lanes and eliminate existing bottle necks
tolls won't work
No tolls!!!

Congestion pricing is not anything but another money grab. Don 't do it
Mass transit is already contesting our highways and is unreliable. The ridership doesn 't pay for the costs. Build more highway space.
Again if there 's a toll use it to fund projects to relive the traffic and stop tolls after projects are paid
No changes
Look to Austin to see how this is a bad idea. No one will use it and traffic will divert to side streets to avoid the tolls.
Hell no! worse congestion & economic impact than when the OC bridge was closed
build more highways and get rid of the inept planners at trimet
Add an additional lane as the toll road, preventing the other lanes from being crowded by drivers choosing not to, or CAN NOT AFFORD to pay it
Requiring 3 options in this section is artificially inflating the importance of the preselected issues.
Tolls are not the solution
Don 't charge tolls
Abandon the project immediately and cease all tolling! Have the officials who i plemented it fired!
Make a new freeway
This option would only resolve problem that are rekatively minimal in the region 's systm and would be intended primarilyly to ruse revenue for the bridge.
DO NOT WIDEN ANY FREEWAYS. There are so many studies proving this doesn 't work, and I 've live in so many cities and experienced how this does not work and WASTES money and cuts off neighborhoods.
Expand the freeway
Be clear and transparent where and how the funds generated can and will be applied
Don 't like this option as more traffic congestion will result
People will just take the other bridge!
I swear if you start tolling highways in Oregon hell will be raised
There ARE NO OTHER ROUTES over the river that can take any more traffic.
West Linn citizens will be overly impacted by having to pay tolls due to no other choice, endure congestion and decreased safety on local streets and increased burden on transportation maintenance budget, NO mitigation plans noted
do not place burdens on east side residents to solve congestion
investigate if this is just a money pinch on the working people of Portland, while actually doing the opposite of what it says is its intention. It will be slower, more congested traffic for most.
See all my other comments. Do it right, fix the existing pinch points, stop holding everyone hostage on federal roads.
Reduce large truck traffic.
Unless the toll will be used for maintenance or a new bridge, this plan goes against federal guidelines regarding tolling interstate freeways.
actually add freeway capacity!!
How do you minimize impact without introducing add 'l costs?
How is this actually going to reduce traffic? I get to work fine, with plenty of time. Traffic isn 't that horrible.
Administrative overhead wasting funds instead of actually improving roads.
Revenue should be used solely to improve vehicle traffic. Not bike lanes, side walls, or bus transportation.
Full transparency in project costs, ongoing costs, and demographics of revenue generated.
Add additional capacity
The plan proposed has only on good idea. The round about & Willamette & 43. Removing the far right ramp and keeping the dangerous clover leaf shows how out of touch this board is to the local traffic patterns, this plan is a disaste, I believe traffic will be much worse! Taxation is never a solution it is a punishment. I will do everything I can to replace Metro board
add lanes to reduce bottlenecks
No tolls!
Not implement congestion pricing in the first place.
Stop the idea
Not applicable, you dweebs. Throw out my other two choices. They don 't apply.
No toll. This is a faulty poll.
Provide WL/OC residents toll waivers
Increased diversion to local streets currently occurs during high volume times and this would get much worse.
Please do not reduce the current lanes on bridge when creating the toll lane. This will cause more traffic has current vehicles try to merge and change lanes due to reduced lanes that are not tolled.
Broader pricing will work better than this narrow option. A narrow option like this should only be pursued after improving transit and active transportation across the Willamette between Milwaukie and souther Oregon City. Too few bridges at present.
Really...just this little section?
Improve roads and stop trying to force things. Let natural consequences provide the controls.
Build more highways
build more roads

Nothing has been done to change this highway for years, despite taxes already being high, and now you want to charge a toll? This bridge is vital for connecting different parts of the county, and charging people to use it will impact the community in VERY negative ways.
I do not like the idea of having to pay a toll to visit my family. :(
If you toll an existing bridge, the revenue should go exclusively for bridge replacement
increase capacity
Use fees to subsidize mass transit
Dont charge
Tolling is ridiculous in a state with 9% income tax
Expand the current infrastructure without tolling, use the current federal and state funds to fund this future expansion.
Toll roads are not acceptable options
This one sucks
Oh Hell No. Back and forth OC to WL-- only 2 ways..I-205 & the OC bridge. traffic would choke downtown Oregon City. Would need a free bridge from Gladstone to WL to compensate
no tolls on weekends
any toll approach does nothing for the core issue- 2 lanes thru traffic at a major choke point (the only major access point across a river in the region. How many major cities have only two lanes thru traffic at a choke point with high density use on/off ramps involved. When are our city leaders and planners going to take responsibility for expanding capacity to match use/population growth vs. saying public trans is available and is the solution? public trans does not get me to where I need to go. for a section where I could use, it would triple my commute time.
Don 't toll us. Tolls suck!
Re-invest revenue into widening freeways
More than a toll bridge is needed.
There should be NO TOLLS!
By doing this you will force people to use the old Oregon city bridge, which will become congested and then you will toll.
This would cause most people to jump off 205 and travel through Oregon City which is already congested
Keep up with appropriate infrastructure, rather than building Metro. Like the scrapped Mt. Hood Highway that was misappropriated to Metro.
DO NOT CHARGE ANY TOLLS!!!
The old bridge the only other alternative I know for crossing the river. I don 't think this will alleviate the traffic in this area.
This is a regressive tax, not a solution.
Not charge at all, find another way to fund the project
I understand the concept of a use toll, but the reality is that many will simply take the OC bridge, instead.
Ditch the plan
End date of toll when project is paid
add more lanes, not more taxes and fees. revenue used fairly does not apply, you 're too corrupt to use funds properly. some of us don 't mind clogging up side streets to avoid your taxes.
See 1st comment
Morally opposed to using more money to use something already paid for
OMG - what a mess this would be. The only way to West Linn untolled by car would be the OC bridge. OC would be gridlock. This is basically a "location " tax for people in Oregon City
This is going to divert people from jobs in Portland hurting the Oregon economy
The only other option is OC-WL local bridge - hardly able to accomodate alternative demand
Don 't screw over people in Oregon City, West Linn, and Gladstone. That bridge just got redone, we don't need more traffic in the area. Just no. Stop it.
No toll
Make sure revenue is used for transit and non motor vehicle options
Do Nothing! Stop Micro managing
NO TOLLS!!!!
Add lanes.
Use tool revenue to increase freeway capacity.
That this isn 't a permanent toll and revenue is strictly used for these improvements. This should not be viewed as a long term revenue source used for anything other than these improvements and lifted once paid. A retroactive new resident tax seems more fair as our they are the reason for the congestion. This is an unfair tax on commuters who have been paying their taxes for years
Take into account Clark County residents working in Oregon already pay income tax. Adding tolls will leave a sour taste in most mouths if the funds collected are not used for the improvements on the very roads where collected
Do not add tolls or volume pricing to our existing taxation for roads.This poll is unfairly biased!
Rarely go that far South
NO TOLLS

Flawed multiple choice questionnaire. The only choice is for gov to spend the peoples money wisely and build roads that work for a majority of the people, the motorists. Represent your constituents not your own agenda.
add additional lanes without tolls
Take into account transportation services from Vancouver WA into Portland that use volunteers, e.g. Veterans shuttle, Catholic Community Services volunteer drivers who take low income clients to appointments via I-5 and I-205
Discourage SOV trips as much as possible in support of regional climate goals
Stop trying to control my driving habits
Do not charge oregon nonresident taxpayers any tolls, that 's garbage and we already pay for our roads so we should see them improved
would push many people on to I5 & 84. Create additional bridge to toll.
widen the bridge. Use general obligation bonds
More tax B.S. Disrgard first 2 checked boxes
quit wasting our taxes and use them as intended