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P-0559-001 I can't believe that tolling the bridge is an option to pay for the new bridge.

How did we pay for the Glen Jackson bridge? I don't remember a toll on that bridge and the design of the new I-5 bridge looks like the Glen Jackson.

Can you please look at how we paid for the Glen Jackson and post the story of how that bridge was paid for on the website.

Thank you

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Tolling has not always been a part of project financing in Washington and Oregon. However, it is increasingly common and is already in place for facilities in Washington. The same is true in other states.

When I-205 was constructed, the financial health of the two states was stronger. And, the federal gas tax provided greater revenue than it is does now. The federal gas tax has not risen in many years, and generates less revenue as a result of increased fuel economy.