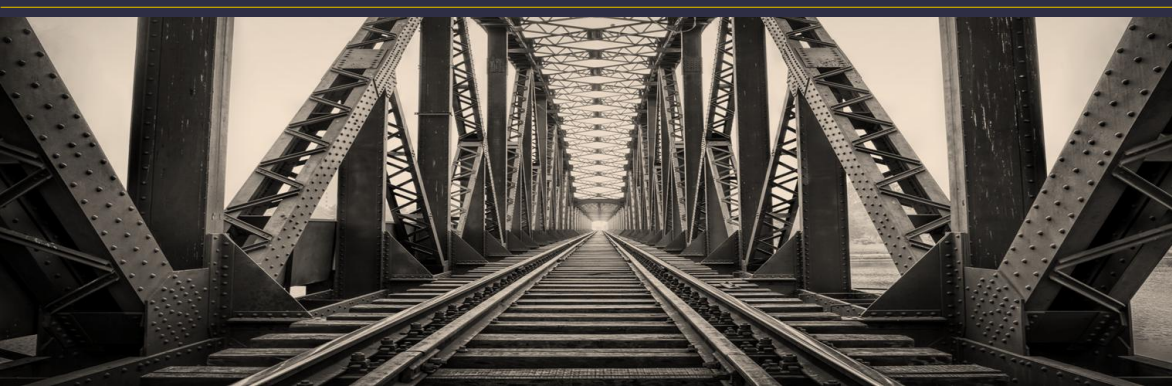
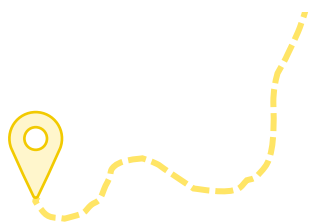




Inventerprise 2027

Oh the places you'll go

By land, water, or air – so many
ways to get from here to there!
Tell us your innovation to
improve transportation.





Here are some ideas to help you get started,
but don't let them limit you!

- Wildlife crossings reduce traffic accidents and preserve migration routes. How else can we protect wildlife from our daily commute?
- Image a city with no traffic – how would you design a city for optimal travel and transport?
- Potholes are such a nuisance. What innovative materials will you use to improve our road surfaces?
- Make travel truly sustainable!
- Gondolas take us up mountains and tunnels through them. How can we deal with challenging terrain?
- Rollerblades, jet skis, hot air balloons...recreational transport counts too.
- Innovate around the transportation of goods (equipment, storage, packaging...)
- Be safe out there! We've already invented windshield wipers, backup cameras, and lane reflectors. What's next?
- Public transportation is a great alternative to personal vehicles, but how do you effectively implement it in a city that's already built?
- We've only explored a fraction of the ocean depths – tell us how you plan to reach these extremes.



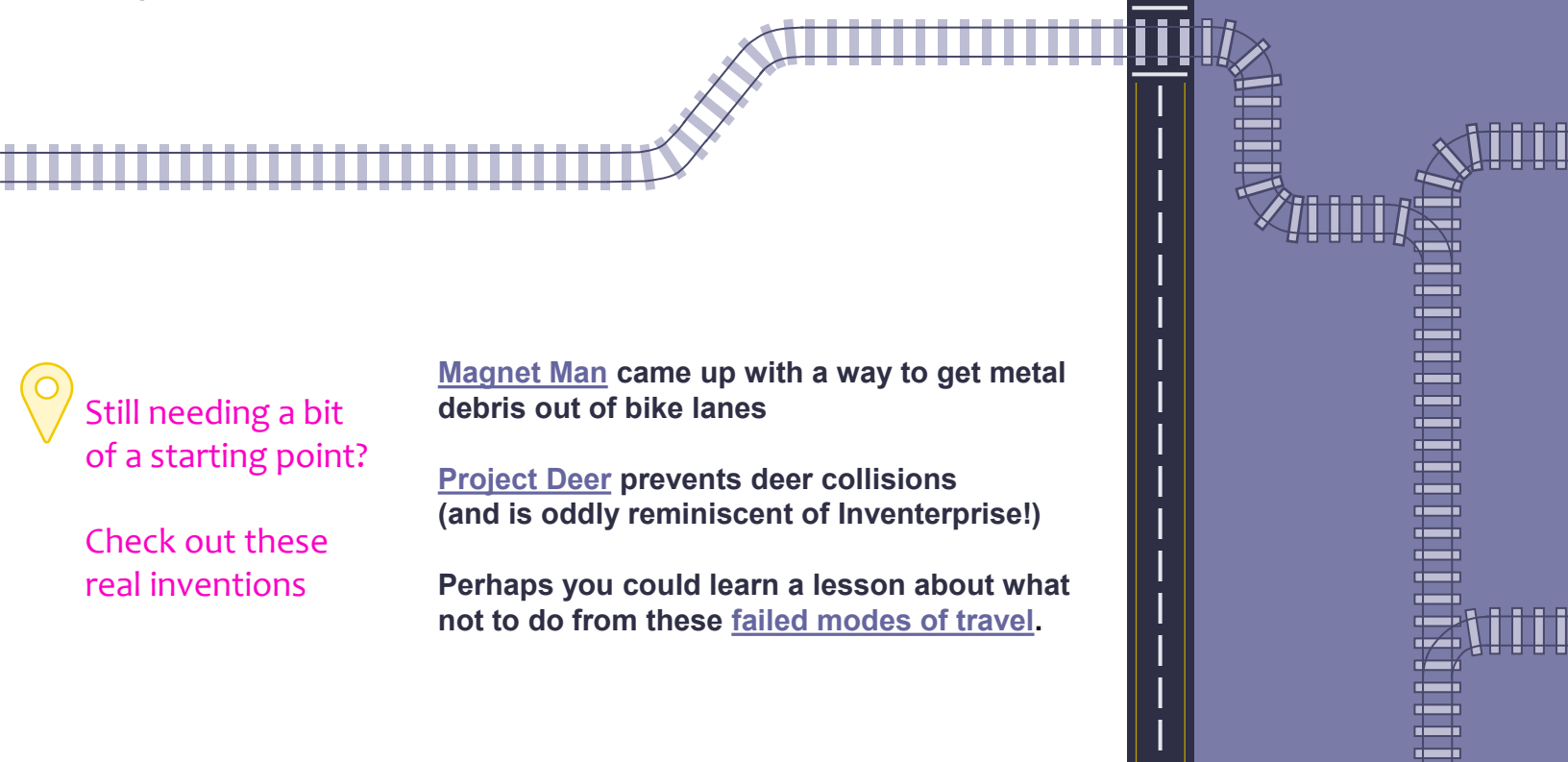
Still needing a bit
of a starting point?

Check out these
real inventions

[Magnet Man](#) came up with a way to get metal debris out of bike lanes

[Project Deer](#) prevents deer collisions (and is oddly reminiscent of InvenTree!)

Perhaps you could learn a lesson about what not to do from these [failed modes of travel](#).



Contest Rules

➤ Who

Any Central Oregon student (Deschutes, Jefferson, and Crook counties) in grades K-12 may enter. **Students may enter as individuals or in groups, but each student can only submit one entry:**

Elementary (K-5) may enter as individuals or as a team of up to 3. Students submitting a group project must be in the same grade, as each grade level will be judged separately.

Middle school (grades 6-8) may enter as individuals or as a team of up to 3. Students submitting a team project can be in different grades, as middle school is judged as a single category.

High school (grades 9-12) students may enter as individuals or as a team of 2. Students submitting a team project can be in different grades, as high school is judged as a single category.

➤ When

Submissions are accepted October 1, 2026 through January 8, 2027

- Winners will be announced no later than January 20, 2027. Names and project titles will be published publicly unless the opt out option is selected upon project submission.

➤ How

Entries must be in English and submitted through the project website.

Entries should be original. No AI generated content is allowed.

Just because entries are digital, doesn't mean you have to use a digital format. Get your hands dirty: make and create! Use whatever format(s) works best to convey your ideas

Video entries should be no more than 3 minutes in length

Up to 6 files may be uploaded. Accepted file types are pdf, image, and video files.

Parents and teachers may be consulted, but don't let grown-ups do your work or talk you out of your great ideas!

A panel of scientists, engineers, and educators will judge entries based on

Feasibility Is the idea realistic

Thoroughness: How well the idea is developed, explained, and presented.

Creativity and Presentation: How innovative is the solution. Do the project components demonstrate the idea well.

Originality: Is the idea unique. Are all components of the submission of the participant's own work

Prizes and Incentives

➤ All Winners

T-shirts will be awarded to **all winners from each category** along with an invitation to attend the winners' event in March.

➤ Middle School

Honorable mentions \$25 Barnes & Noble gift card

Runner-up winner(s) will receive their choice of \$250 gift card to either Barnes & Noble, Dick's Sporting Goods, or Dakotas's Brick Shop, or Bose headphones/speakers (up to \$250)

Grand Prize winner(s) will get their choice of a \$500 gift card to the above, Bose headphones/speakers (up to \$500), or a [reMarkable](#) notepad

- **High School** Up to \$2,000 will be split among students submitting the best high-school entry(ies)

- **Teachers** of grades K-8 with high classroom participation will receive \$100 Amazon gift certificates as part of the Tina McGeary incentive program.



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