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**To:** [Columbia River Crossing;](#)  
**CC:**  
**Subject:** Comment from CRC DraftEIS Comments Page  
**Date:** Wednesday, May 07, 2008 4:24:35 PM  
**Attachments:**

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Home Zip Code: 98661

Work Zip Code: 98661

Person:

Lives in the project area

Commutes through the project area

Person commutes in the travel area via:

Car or Truck

Other - carpool lane



1. In Support of the following bridge options:

Replacement Bridge

2. In Support of the following High Capacity Transit options:

Bus Rapid Transit between Vancouver and Portland

Light Rail between Vancouver and Portland

3. Support of Bus Rapid Transit or Light Rail by location:

Lincoln Terminus: Yes

Kiggins Bowl Terminus: Yes

Mill Plain (MOS) Terminus: Yes

Clark College (MOS) Terminus: Yes

Contact Information:

First Name:

Last Name:

Title:

E-Mail:

Address:

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**Comments:**

Even though I am not a daily commuter of this area, my husband does this commute every day. I feel that this is a necessary project and definitely recommend replacing the existing bridges with new and also provide light rail. Even though replacing the bridge may not seem environmentally friendly, it will actually reduce the amount of emission my husband contributes if the changes are made...my husband carools to work w/3 others and just to get on the carpool lane, it takes approx. 20 minutes from downtown to when the carpool lane begins because of the backup. He would like to take the bus, but needs his car daily for work. If additional lanes are added, it will significantly cut the amount of time in the car. (reduce emissions) I don't believe adding a toll will be good. I feel that you would be hurting the very people who it is supposed to help. Most Vancouver residents who work in Portland would like to live closer to work but the cost of housing doesn't allow that so they live in Vancouver where housing is much more affordable. Tolling these very people who already can't afford to live in Portland doesn't make sense to me. I also feel that for those Vancouver residents that don't carpool, is not because they don't want to but because they can't...mostly for not consistent hours and never knowing when they are going to leave work..or they don't use public transportation because they need their car for work. I would like to see some added benefits for those that do carpool/use rapid transit, such as reduced fares during peak traffic hours, or gas vouchers for those that can prove they carpool, etc. I think we can achieve almost zero traffic with a combination of building the bridge and continued pressure to use carpool/rapid & public transit.