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Red Lion Inn at the Quay

Vancouver, Washington

SPOKEN COMMENTS

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1 least disruptive, cheaper and better for our community. We
2 want to accommodate the obvious and necessary need of the
3 traffic difficulties on the I-5 existing roadway, but another
4 value that our community defines itself with is compassion.
5 People are losing their homes. That has to be an issue,
6 especially when the alternative is available and it's cheaper.

7 That's it. I hope you understand.

8 JOHN LefREY: My comment is I noticed on one of the
9 pictures there that they had a big wide loop over the freeway.
10 And to me that, you know, makes -- it's too much waste. Why
11 can't they figure out a different way?

12 They've got two different types, one with a tunnel
13 that goes under and another one, but I can't remember which one
14 it is right off hand, which would be a lot more easier to do
15 than making that big wide loop. To me, that would be just a
16 waste of material and land.

17 That's all.

18 PAULINE WARREN: I believe the problem is not the
19 bridge, rather that is a secondary consequence, okay, of -- the
20 primary problem being the congestion caused in Portland from
21 the river south with insufficient number of lanes.

22 Right now the focus has been on Delta Park and that
23 is in the process of being fixed. However, there are two other
24 sections -- and that's south I-5 -- that are also two lanes
25 limited. And the reason that Delta Park is a bottleneck is

