

1 likely to come, design it for bidirectional travel,
2 so if the old bridge is toppled by the earthquake,
3 and the newer bridge is not. I do not support a
4 wider bridge. We're not going to need a wider
5 bridge once gasoline is much more expensive.

6 A final point: As for tolls, I do not
7 support setting up a surveillance system to track
8 everyone's travels so that voyeurs and the federal
9 government can keep track on everyone's travels.

10 The way to do this fairly is to pay it through the
11 gas tax; what the gas really costs. Those who drive
12 more, pay more. Those who drive more inefficiently,
13 pay more. And that's a much more equitable way to
14 do it than recording everyone's license plate.

15 **MR. HEWITT:** Thank you.

16 Peggy Anderson.

17 **MS. ANDERSON:** Peggy Anderson. I live at
18 5585 East Evergreen Boulevard in Vancouver,
19 Washington. That's right near Exit 3.

20 I retired here to Vancouver in 2006, and I
21 have used my bike to commute across the I-5 Bridge
22 most of the time, because I don't like the noise on
23 the 205 Bridge.

24 Personally, what I would really like to
25 see is the extension of light rail to Kiggins Bowl

1 Terminus in Vancouver, regardless of which bridge
2 option is selected. I think this would ease
3 congestion and help us go green, and also litigate
4 the gas situation that we are facing in the future.

5 If -- if I have my option -- I don't I
6 don't think my option exists. Because I think you
7 need to look at maybe an arterial bridge for the
8 local traffic and for light rail and bike and
9 pedestrian paths. Because, if you look at all of
10 the -- all -- on and off ramps between Delta Park
11 and Mill Plain, you see where a lot of congestion
12 exists, especially during peak hours. I come off
13 the light rail and ride my bike, and I see all of
14 the cars backed up on Marine Drive. And I really
15 think if you had an arterial situation, you could
16 ease that in and maybe not have to build such an
17 expensive bridge. If an arterial bridge is not an
18 option, I would favor the supplemental bridge
19 crossing option, which I think would be less
20 expensive. Where possible, put the bike lane as far
21 from traffic as you can in the Hayden Island area,
22 just for peace.

23 And if tolls are the way you have to pay
24 for this -- although I've heard an argument that
25 maybe says we shouldn't even consider this -- I

1 would suggest that you start that as soon as
2 possible. I also think that would ease congestion
3 and encourage people to carpool and maybe look --
4 look at alternative means of transportation. Thank
5 you.

6 **MR. HEWITT:** Thank you.

7 Now, if this group of three will go back
8 to their seats, we will ask Dana Carlile, Molly
9 Haynes, and Dave Johnston to come to the table here
10 (indicated).

11 And our next speaker will be Tamsen
12 Wassell.

13 **MS. WASSELL:** Hello. My name is Tamsen
14 Wassell, and I live on Hayden Island. But I'm here
15 today as the president of the Tomahawk Destiny
16 Association, a homeowners' association of 72
17 households on Hayden Island.

18 **UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:** Can't hear. Can't
19 hear.

20 **MR. HEWITT:** I was supposed to tell you to
21 speak into the microphone.

22 **MS. WASSELL:** I was hoping that technology
23 would be in place for that.

24 Our -- our membership has strongly
25 supported the board resolution that states the