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Commutes through the project area

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1. In Support of the following bridge options:

No Opinion

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

Bus Rapid Transit 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

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Comments:

I commented earlier that I favored light rail and replacing existing bridges. I have changed my support.

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After some personal research into the cost/benefit of light rail I conclude that bus rapid transit would be far far less expensive and more flexible as far as destinations in the Portland area.

I listened to the words of several (4) CRC traffic engineers present at the Vancouver hearing. They assured me that 3 lanes of traffic over the bridge and through Delta park is sufficient in their opinion. I drove my usual route south in a.m. and north in p.m. and the fact is, I just can't believe three lanes is going to do the job. If it makes any difference at all, the benefit will be short lived as traffic volumes increase.

My conclusion is that what we are experiencing at the CRC, ironically, at Washington tax-payer expense, is an project in social engineering rather than traffic engineering. I favor you taking another look at creating a third crossing. I cannot imagine how you came to eliminate that option, not honestly.