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To: [Columbia River Crossing](#)
CC:
Subject: FW: Columbia River I-5 Bridge
Date: Monday, June 09, 2008 11:14:14 AM
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Per Mr. Werts' request, I am forwarding his comments to you.

Thank you.



Kimberly Colburn

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From: David C. Werts [mailto:david.werts@comcast.net]
Sent: Monday, June 09, 2008 11:05 AM
To: Colburn, Kimberly
Subject: RE: Columbia River I-5 Bridge

[Thank you and please forward this to the project staff or anyone else involved.](#)

Thanks,

David C. Werts
Principal



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From: Colburn, Kimberly [mailto:ColburK@wsdot.wa.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 09, 2008 6:53 AM
To: David C. Werts
Subject: RE: Columbia River I-5 Bridge

Mr. Werts:

Thank you for your e-mail to the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) with comments supporting a new I-5 Bridge over the Columbia River.

We greatly appreciate your feedback. With your permission, I would like to forward your comments to the Columbia River Crossing project staff or you can contact them directly through their Web site at <http://www.columbiarivercrossing.org/>.

Again, thank you for taking the time to write to us.

Kimberly Colburn

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From: David C. Werts [mailto:david.werts@comcast.net]

Sent: Friday, June 06, 2008 2:29 PM

To: Colburn, Kimberly

Subject: Columbia River I-5 Bridge

I am writing regarding the building of a new Columbia River I-5 bridge, this is a great idea and should be a priority for all public officials in Oregon and Washington, especially SW Washington.

I am amazed and dumbfounded every time I hear someone say that a wider bridge will increase traffic and pollution. The traffic is already there and taking longer to get to its destination thus creating more than necessary pollution during that extended commute. The bridge should reduce the air pollution, improve commute times and be an incredible stimulus for growth in so many ways that will all improve our standard of living.

These freeways are referred to as arteries for good reason, they are essential for economic growth, efficient performance of the community and livability of its citizens. I would encourage leaders to look at San Antonio, Phoenix and Las Vegas where infrastructure has been a priority and has helped drive growth of all kinds in these communities.

I urge you to support the building of a new I-5 bridge as soon as possible and as wide and large as possible. The less bureaucracy in the way of people, panels, committees and groups with control or decision making ability over this project the better and the sooner we will have a bridge and I can only see positives to the result.

Sincerely,

David Werts

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