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I am a supporter of Metro President Bragdon's proposal to erect a Bus/light rail bridge both pedestrian and bicycle access, and to leave the current automotive bridges as they are, with the addition of tolls at peak hours, or all of the time. IT is vitally important to both the region and the planet that we take measures to reduce the number of car trips and total level of Vehicle Miles Traveled in the region, and an expanded freeway will do just the opposite. In every case in which an attempt has been made to build roads to reduce congestion the final upshot has been the same or greater degree of congestion, with a larger number of VMT and a greater amount of pollution being produced. There is not any reason at all to think that expanding the automotive sections of the bridge will result in anything other than increases in congestion and pollution, which is a step in the opposite direction from what is needed.

