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I strongly endorse the proposal to build a new bridge with light rail transit. This is the most forward-looking of the proposals. Given the increasing costs of fuel and the possibility of supply reductions in the future, the only acceptable plan is the one that includes rail transit.

In addition, I propose that, if possible, you work with the appropriate governments and transit agencies to work towards a comprehensive mass-transit plan for Clark County and Portland. Such a plan would include additional rail service, possibly along the I-205 bridge, and extended service to Camas, Salmon Creek and beyond. Additional park-and-ride lots as well as feeder bus lines (with buses that use alternative energy when feasible) would be important parts of the plan.

I am an retiree who is also an investor in energy. It is my observation that future supplies of oil and gasoline are tenuous at best. Cities and communities with viable and useful alternative transit systems are the communities that will flourish, while communities that have not been farsighted will stagnate and even wither.

I realize that you will have a hard sell on a rail line because many do not see how it benefits even those who never use it themselves. According to The Columbian, one in three Clark County residents who have a job work in Oregon. That means that a great deal of out-of-state monies come into the county. Those dollars are spent on local taxes, goods, services, etc. We mustn't lose those Oregon jobs just because we can't afford to drive across the river. Nor can we lose growth in the county because we can't afford to get around locally.

Sincerely, Robert B. Goodsell

