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Home Zip Code: 97219

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Person:

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Person commutes in the travel area via:

Car or Truck

1. In Support of the following bridge options:

Replacement Bridge

Supplemental Bridge

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

Bus Rapid Transit between Vancouver and Portland

Light Rail 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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Hi, to whomever gets to compile all this info!

I'm 40,married, college educated, employed, and liberal, as is my husband. We make all our money working for non-profits, so don't take home a lot of money. We are also musicians with the Vancouver Symphony, so one week a month, we fight the traffic to northern Vancouver at rush hour.

Please- No toll roads!!!! We'd have to quit playing in the group, as would many of the poor Oregon musicians that need that VSO money to make ends meet. We car pool as it is, but the car pool lane ends too early to make a real difference.

Why not extend carpool hours to 730pm? North and add a southbound. That would really change habits, as most people can't take advantage of the lane as it ends too soon.

I'd take light rail to Vancouver if it went far enough North.

Plus- there are seven bridges across the Willamette connecting the halves of Portland. I think it's really silly and unrealistic to expect to connect two giant cities over a river with just two bridges. It's a guaranteed bottleneck. More bridges, more lanes.

Vancouver will keep growing, because it has tax incentives for business and family. We Oregonians need to treat Vancouver as a sister city and not as a suburb. Don't be patronising- they are doing a lot right over there.

Greenies should go national and get interstate trucking mandated down; use freight trains for interstate and clear the roads for passenger vehicles. That would cut down emissions more than making us sit for an hour and a half on a stretch of road that could be driven in 15 minutes.

To recap- yes bridges, yes more lanes, yes carpool, yes more carpool lanes,yes longer hours for carpool lanes, yes light rail, yes trains- NO tollroads, NO interstate trucking.

Thanks for taking our lives and livelihood into account.

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