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As designed, the relatively low, sleek looking, 12-lane bridge is perfect. It will greatly enhance traffic across the river, and that is its primary function. It will not over power the landscape. It will minimize change to adjacent properties and even allow Pearson Air Park to stay in place.

Please do not come under the spell of some who might wish to spend even more money that we do not have to build what I've heard called an "aesthetic" or "grandiose" version of an I-5 bridge. By "aesthetic" the desire seems to be for a taller, more obtrusive bridge alternative.

What would the bridge cost without light rail? Whatever it costs, wouldn't using an equal to Increase the number of buses that operate on alternative fuels result in moving people closer to where they want to be than a fixed rail line. Fixed rail will also require more land devoted to house the cars that folks often drive to and from light rail stations.

Build a bridge soon. Spend no more money than must be spent. Existing I-5 bridges are the most ridiculous affront to north-south traffic on the entire west coast of the Americas. Adding tolls will only make it even worse.