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To: Columbia River Crossing:

I vote for no new bridge.

I also feel that the five options presented do not show a thoughtful analysis and projection of no new bridge combined with a host of enthusiastic, creative, broadly supported measures to decrease auto traffic, which is mainly caused by commuters at rush hours.

For example, a combo of ...

- Boldly turn one whole lane of the current bridge in each direction into a combo bus/light rail line for moving lots of people quickly.
- Even more boldly turn a second lane into a carpool lane and leave only one lane for one-person vehicles during rush hours. Make one-person vehicles during rush hours as undesirable as possible.
- Better park and ride alternatives
- A big commuting car-pooling campaign
- A toll to encourage other forms of transit
- A toll based on vehicle length to encourage small cars that take up less room on the highway and pollute less.
- Strengthen the existing bridge enough to add a bike-pedestrian lane on each side, like the Marquam Bridge added a lane.

A new bridge will cause more pollution and different bottleneck problems as the bridge users before and after the bridge attempt to squeeze into the I-5 lanes. Don't give the Vancouver light-rail-rejecting 'burbites a new bridge and do give them other options and ultimately the increasing high cost of gas and other options will cause them to wake up and alter commuting habits.

Sincerely,

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