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COLUMBIA RIVER CROSSING DRAFT EIS  
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1 should coordinate water quality monitoring  
2 and erosion control in coordination with  
3 Ecology's efforts currently underway.

4 Parameters should be expanded to  
5 include all of those listed in the study  
6 with Ecology. There are no long-term  
7 impacts listed that are in 3.19.9 that  
8 talk about the possibility of long-term  
9 subsidies of the public for maintenance  
10 and operations of light rail. And I  
11 personally can't afford to pay more taxes  
12 on that.

13 Finally, the draft list census data  
14 for the Metropolitan area as a whole --  
15 this is insufficient. Every neighborhood  
16 that this project goes through is an  
17 environmental justice community and it  
18 requires different data than a group data  
19 set.

20 HAL Dengerink: Thank you. Okay.  
21 The next three folks are David Palenshus,  
22 John Mohlis and John Felton. All right.  
23 Robert Ross.

24 ROBERT ROSS: My name is Robert  
25 Ross, 1111 West 22nd Street, Vancouver.

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1 I moved over here five years ago to  
2 escape the Portland Government and taxes  
3 and such, and I am in opposition to the  
4 light rail coming over here.

5 I think the line ought to be drawn at  
6 the river because I do fear the crime that  
7 Portland is experiencing with the system  
8 as well as the increased taxes. This will  
9 give Portland Government and Tri-Met a  
10 toehold and I fear that it would just  
11 expand from that beginning.

12 As far as a toll on the bridge, I am  
13 in opposition to that because that puts a  
14 punishment tax on the Clark County  
15 commuters. They will carry the brunt of  
16 that toll.

17 It will cause -- as far as the  
18 disincentive to take the I-5 bridge that  
19 that toll was intended to be will cause  
20 people to go over to 205 and put a greater  
21 burden there and then maybe come back on  
22 84, which is already pretty heavy traffic,  
23 plus the additional fuel that everybody  
24 will use to make that wide berth.

25 So I guess that's -- well, I am also

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1 concerned about property values going down  
2 on this side because people will be  
3 tending to move out.

4 So that's -- thanks for hearing me.

5 HAL Dengerink: Thank you, Robert.  
6 Carol.

7 CAROL Panfilio: I am Carol  
8 Panfilio, P.O. Box 6427, Vancouver,  
9 Washington.

10 With this light rail project, the  
11 cost is prohibitive for the amount of  
12 benefit to the citizens of this community.  
13 It's the most expensive Public Works  
14 project in the Northwest history and the  
15 light rail system is inflexible.

16 The politics in this project make the  
17 bridge to Nowhere in Alaska pale to  
18 comparison.

19 Thank you.

20 HAL Dengerink: Leonard.

21 LEONARD Bauhs: Thank you. I am  
22 Leonard Bauhs, 5210 Northwest Cherry  
23 Street. I'm a proud and active resident  
24 of Vancouver.

25 Very often we here primarily from

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