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To: Columbia River Crossing;

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**Subject:** Comment from CRC DraftEIS Comments Page

**Date:** Wednesday, June 25, 2008 4:18:31 PM

**Attachments:** 

Home Zip Code: 98684 Work Zip Code: 97210

Person:

Commutes through the project area

Person commutes in the travel area via:

Car or Truck

1. In Support of the following bridge options:

Replacement Bridge

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

Bus Rapid Transit between Vancouver and Portland

3. Support of Bus Rapid Transit or Light Rail by location:

Lincoln Terminus: No Opinion

Kiggins Bowl Terminus: No Opinion Mill Plain (MOS) Terminus: No Opinion Clark College (MOS) Terminus: No Opinion

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## Comments:

Although a new bridge is needed in my daily commutes the worst part of the drive is the bottle neck in delta park. If that problem is addressed it will do much to improve the

morning commute. I strongly against adding light rail to a new project. I have seen no evidence that sending light rail to Gresham or Hillsboro has done anything to alleviate the traffic congestion to those areas but has caused increased crime to homes and businesses around transit stations. While light rail is fixed and only travels a set route buses can be added or removed as needed and can go anywhere needed to meet commuter needs.

I do believe a new bridge is needed, but please do not let Vancouver citizens be bullied into paying for a light rail system that will do nothing but harm our community.