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eric_gurrad@msn.com Columbia River Crossing;

Subject:Comment from CRC DraftEIS Comments PageDate:Tuesday, June 24, 2008 1:14:28 PM

Attachments:

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Home Zip Code: 98604 Work Zip Code: 97232

Person: Commutes through the project area

Person commutes in the travel area via: Car or Truck

- P-0097-001 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 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
 - Contact Information: First Name: Dana Last Name: Hughes Title: E-Mail: eric_gurrad@msn.com Address:

Comments:

P-0097-002 I think that we need to do the project right and add lightrail/pedestrian crossing. I know

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Preferences for specific alternatives or options, as expressed in comments received before and after the issuance of the DEIS, were shared with local sponsor agencies to inform decision making. Following the close of the 60-day DEIS public comment period in July 2008, the CRC project's six local sponsor agencies selected a replacement I-5 bridge with light rail to Clark College as the project's Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA). These sponsor agencies, which include the Portland City Council, Vancouver City Council, TriMet Board, C-TRAN Board, Metro Council, RTC Board, considered the DEIS analysis, public comment, and a recommendation from the CRC Task Force when voting on the LPA.

With the LPA, new bridges will replace the existing Interstate Bridges to carry I-5 traffic, light rail, pedestrians and bicyclists across the Columbia River. Light rail will extend from the Expo Center MAX Station in Portland to a station and park and ride at Clark College in Vancouver. Pedestrians and bicyclists would travel along a wider and safer path than exists today.

For a more detailed description of highway, transit, and bicycle and pedestrian improvements associated with the LPA, see Chapter 2 of the FEIS.

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Thank you for your comment. A toll is currently proposed as part of the LPA. For more detail, please see Chapter 2 of the FEIS.

P-0097-002 that I may differ from many - but I am very willing to pay for the services I utilize through a toll system. Once in place, I would be very interested in utilizing the light rail piece. I know people aren't excited about a toll system or paying higher taxes - but it is the right thing to do and appropriate in this application.