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To: <u>Columbia River Crossing</u>;

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Subject: Promoting bicycle traffic on the I-5 Bridge Date: Wednesday, May 21, 2008 8:25:10 AM

**Attachments:** 

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Columbia River Crossing, I would like to propose a tax credit for those that use a bicycle or other means to commute across the bridge other than auto if employed in Oregon (possilbly use a card swipe system mounted on the bridge). Also to help facilitate this a park and ride at each side of the bridge beyond congested areas with around the clock security would be helpful (I presently have autos at both sides of the bridge and would gladly pay a fee for some security). Thanks so very much for all your effort to involve the general public, Norm Yonemura.

Thank you for submitting your idea for a tax credit. Alterations to the tax code are outside the scope of this project and would require action by the State Legislatures. However, tolls are not anticipated for bicyclists crossing the river, which is in itself an incentive for that mode of travel.

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The CRC project is using design strategies that have been proven to reduce the potential for crime at stations and on trains. In addition, CRC has received input from advisory groups, jurisdictions, and the public to design a system that will enhance safety and security.

Recommendations include, but are not limited to, locating stations near residential and commercial buildings; controlling pedestrian access to stations through the strategic placement of entrances and exits, fencing, lighting, and landscaping; lighting stations so that all activity is easily visible; and designing a clear line of sight into and out of the station. A Safety and Security Management Plan (SSMP) was created, in part, to address public concerns about safety, and is a requirement for funding from the Federal Transit Administration. Safety will be designed into every phase of the project.

The CRC project is also working with the City of Vancouver and Portland police and C-TRAN and TriMet security to promote passenger safety at stations and park and ride facilities, as well as on light rail trains. Measures to increase public safety on and near light rail could include enforcing fare payment; installing closed-circuit TV at light rail stations, park and rides, and on trains; and patrolling stations and trains by transit security and local police officers. For more information about how safety and security associated with light rail is being addressed by the CRC project, see Chapter 3 (Section 3.1) of the FEIS.

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Thank you for taking the time to submit your comments on the I-5 CRC DEIS.