

**L-003-001**

Comments from the Cowlitz-Wahkiakum Council of Governments have been submitted and responded to on the DEIS (see L-007).

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L-003-001 Have you considered having the COG make comments to the draft EIS for the project? At least, from a bird's eye perspective of maintaining I-5 as a corridor for commerce, freight and tourism that is important to all communities along the West Coast served by this interstate?

Steve

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Project eUpdate – June 19, 2008

Thank you for reading the Columbia River Crossing email update.

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Comment period for Draft Environmental Impact Statement ends July 1

We need your input.

On May 2, 2008, the Columbia River Crossing project released its Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). This report describes the potential environmental and community effects of five project alternatives under consideration.

Comments may be submitted at any time and are considered by the project on an ongoing basis. All comments received between May 2 and July 1, 2008, are identified as Draft EIS comments and will be formally responded to in the Final EIS, expected by fall 2009.

Visit www.ColumbiaRiverCrossing.org to view the Draft EIS, learn where to read a printed copy and submit your comments.

Task Force to recommend one alternative Tuesday

The 39-member panel advising the Columbia River Crossing project will meet for the last time Tuesday, June 24, to recommend which of five alternatives best meets the community's needs and helps address congestion, mobility and safety problems on I-5 between Vancouver and Portland.

The Draft EIS findings and public comment received to date will be considered by the Task Force to help the group make its recommendation. The Task Force recommendation will provide input to project sponsors when they select the formal Locally Preferred Alternative later this summer.

The Task Force meeting provides members of the public with an additional opportunity to provide oral comments. The meeting begins at 4 p.m. and public comment is scheduled to occur at 4:45 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Southwest Region office of the Washington State Department of Transportation, 11018 NE 51st Circle, Vancouver, WA. The agenda and meeting materials are posted at <http://www.columbiarivercrossing.org/ProjectPartners/TFMeetingMaterials.aspx>.

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