



# Columbia River CROSSING

Draft Environmental Impact Statement

## Comment Form

The Columbia River Crossing project welcomes your comments on the findings of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement or any other aspect of the project or process. Please fill out this form and use additional sheets of paper if necessary. Give this form to project staff or return to the project office.

### TELL US ABOUT YOURSELF

What is your home zip code? 98661 Work zip code? OR

Do you: (check all that apply)

- Live in the project area?  
 Work in the project area?  
 Own a business in the project area?
- Commute through the project area?  
 Other

How do you regularly travel in the project area: (check all that apply)

- Bicycle?  
 Car or Truck?  
 Other
- Bus?  
 Walk?

Comments:

P-0605-001 I Think we Need A New ~~Bridge~~ <sup>PLAZA</sup> ~~PLAZA~~ CROSSING, BUTT DONT NEED A TOLL WITH THE COST OF FUEL

### 1. WHICH BRIDGE OPTION DO YOU SUPPORT? (please check any that you would support)

- P-0605-002  Replace the existing bridges  
 Supplement the existing bridges with a new structure  
 Do nothing—make no changes to the existing bridges  
 No opinion

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### P-0605-001

Tolling was evaluated in the DEIS and FEIS, and included in the LPA for two important reasons. First, a toll may be necessary to pay for the construction of this project, as discussed in Chapter 4 of the FEIS. Second, a toll provides a valuable travel demand management tool that encourages travelers to take alternative modes (including light rail provided by this project), travel at off-peak periods, or reduce their auto trips. This demand management reduces congestion and extends the effective service life of the facility. When the existing I-5 northbound bridge was built in 1917, it was paid for with a toll. The southbound I-5 bridge, built in 1958, was also funded partially by tolls. In 2008, the Washington legislature passed enabling language for tolling on I-5, provided that each facility is later authorized under specific legislation. Once authorized by the legislature, the Washington Transportation Commission has the authority to set the toll rates. In Oregon, and the Oregon Transportation Commission has the authority to toll a facility and to set the toll rates.

### P-0605-002

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

**2. WHAT HIGH CAPACITY TRANSIT MODE DO YOU SUPPORT? (please check any that you would support)**
**P-0605-002**  Bus rapid transit between Vancouver and Portland

 Light rail between Vancouver and Portland

 Do not add high capacity transit between Vancouver and Portland

 No opinion

**3. WOULD YOU SUPPORT BRINGING BUS RAPID TRANSIT OR LIGHT RAIL TO THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS? (please check any that you would support)**

	Yes	No	Unsure	No Opinion
Incoln Terminus (39th and Main)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Giggins Bowl Terminus (I-5 and 45th)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Clark College MOS Terminus	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mill Plain MOS Terminus (15th and Main)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**DO YOU WANT TO STAY INVOLVED IN THE PROJECT? | Optional**
 YES  NO Would you like to be added to the project mailing list?

 Name (First & Last Name, Organization)
 

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 Address (Street, City, State, Zip)
 

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 E-mail (enter address to receive monthly electronic updates)
 

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## Thank you!

Give this form to project staff or return to the project office:

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[www.ColumbiaRiverCrossing.org](http://www.ColumbiaRiverCrossing.org)

Comments must be postmarked by July 1, 2008



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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.