

# 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? 98684 Work zip code? 97227

#### 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-0706-001** I AM ABSOLUTELY AGAINST TOLLS ON THIS PROJECT. I BELIEVE ONLY A FEW WILL BE TARGETED AND BEAR THE BURDEN OF PAYING TOLLS. THOSE AFFECTED WILL BE WASHINGTON RESIDENTS, VANCOUVER DOES NOT HAVE A JOB BASE OF LIVING WAGES, SO MANY MUST COMMUTE TO PORTLAND IN ORDER TO FIND LIVING WAGE JOBS. OREGONIANS WILL CONTRIBUTE A VERY SMALL PERCENTAGE TOWARD TOLLS. IN ADDITION, I AM TOTALLY AGAINST ASSESSING TOLLS ON I-205. I DO NOT USE I-5 AND SINCE MY COMMUTE TAKES ME ACROSS I-205, I WOULD ESSENTIALLY BE PENALIZED AND FORCED TO PAY FOR SOMETHING I DO NOT USE. ASSESSING A TOLL ON 205 IS DRACONIAN IN THE WAY IT PUNISHES PEOPLE FOR NOT USING I-5; I BELIEVE IF IT HAS TO BE PAID FOR, THEN IT IS 50-50 FROM OREGON-WASHINGTON EQUALLY.

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

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

- over -

### P-0706-001

Tolling was evaluated in the DEIS, and included in the LPA for two important reasons. First, a toll is 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 of the facility. The details of the tolling system are yet to be determined. It is currently not anticipated that transit users, bicyclists or pedestrians will pay a toll. Additionally, certain toll discounts or waivers for other groups have been and will continue to be considered. Tolling I-205 is not part of this project, but could be implemented separately if Oregon and Washington, in partnership with the Federal Highway Administration, determine it is needed to advance regional transportation objectives.

Please refer to Chapter 4 of the FEIS for a description of the current plans for funding construction and operation of the LPA. This discussion provides an updated assessment of likely funding sources for this project, though it is not common practice to receive funding commitments prior to the completion of the alternative selection process. As described in the FEIS, project funding is expected to come from a variety of local, state, and federal sources, with federal funding and tolls providing substantial revenue for the construction. As Oregon and Washington businesses and residents will benefit from the project's multi-modal improvements, both states have been identified as contributors to the project.

**2. WHAT HIGH CAPACITY TRANSIT MODE DO YOU SUPPORT? (please check any that you would support)**

- P-0706-002**  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
Lincoln Terminus (39th and Main)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kiggins Bowl Terminus (I-5 and 45th)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Clark College MOS Terminus	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mill Plain MOS Terminus (15th and Main)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" 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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## Thank you!

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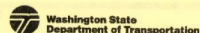
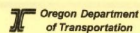
**Draft EIS information**

www.columbiarivercrossing.org/CurrentTopics/  
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**Submit Online Comments**

www.ColumbiaRiverCrossing.org

Comments must be postmarked by July 1, 2008



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**P-0706-002**

Thank you for your comment. 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.