Columbia River CROSSING Comment Form Columbia River Crossing
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? 97209 Work zip code? 97209
Do you: (check all that apply) Live in the project area? Work in the project area? Own a business in the project area? Other Vibit Expo Center & Fut Vancturer How do you regularly travel in the project area: (check all that apply) Bicycle? Bus? Car or Truck? Walk? Other Light Ruit to Expo Center
P-0877-001 De existing bridge for motorists who only need to cross the river and den't need to travel
on the interstate. Build a new bridge for through interstate traffic, light rail and a bike/pedestrian path. Provide access to Hayden Island only from existing bridge.
1. WHICH BRIDGE OPTION DO YOU SUPPORT? (please check any that you would support) P-0877-002 Replace the existing bridges Supplement the existing bridges with a new structure
Do nothing—make no changes to the existing bridges No opinion - over -

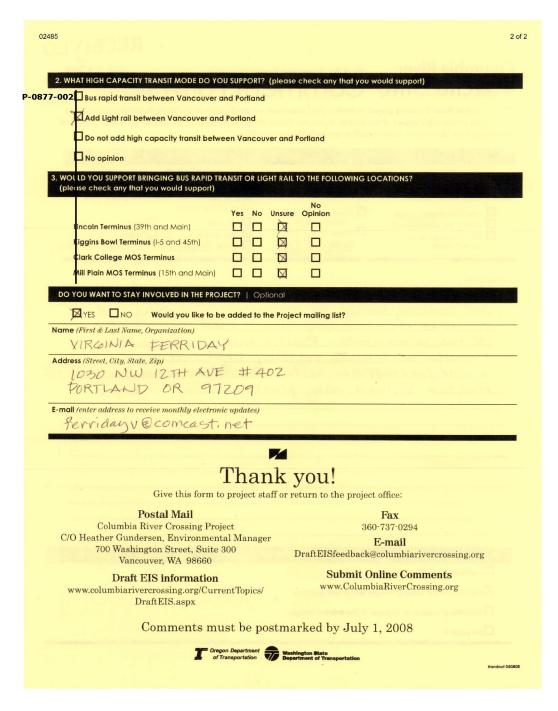
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The CRC Task Force - composed of 39 leaders from a broad cross section of Washington and Oregon communities – was tasked with advising the CRC project team, including federal sponsors, and providing guidance and recommendations at key decision points over the course of nearly 3 ½ years. Public agencies, businesses, civic organizations, neighborhoods and freight, commuter and environmental groups were all represented on the Task Force. The Task Force voted to develop a supplemental bridge alternative, in an attempt to find an alternative to total bridge replacement that would still meet the project's purpose and need but at lower cost and with greater reliance on managing demand with higher tolls and more transit service. The two most promising supplemental alternatives were considered in the DEIS. Based on the detailed analysis that followed, the Task Force recommended, and all project sponsors agreed, that the replacement bridge with light rail was the locally preferred alternative.

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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.