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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.

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1 of the other people who are going to go
 2 ahead and complain about the houses being
 3 moved.
 4 But you know what? We need to do it.
 5 It's the best thing to do for the economy.
 6 It's the best thing to do for the region.
 7 Thank you very much.
 8 HAL DENGERINK: Okay. My
 9 information that what we have left are two
 10 remaining folks. Can I make certain of
 11 that? Ginger.
 12 GINGER METCALF: Thank you.
 13 Freight mobility, delivery of services,
 14 navigation, safety and jobs -- smart
 15 planning calls for building a replacement
 16 bridge now. It would be irresponsible of
 17 us as citizens not to consider the
 18 immediate future and the future of those
 19 who follow us.
 20 HAL DENGERINK: Thank you.
 21 Debbie.
 22 DEBBIE PETERSON: Thank you. My
 23 name is Debbie Peterson. My address is
 24 P.O. Box 82, Vancouver. I'm a 30-year
 25 resident of this area and I am not either

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