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From:	Bomar, Audri
То:	feedback@columbiarivercrossing.
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Subject:	FW: I-5 Bridge
Date:	Thursday, June 19, 2008 3:18:35 PM
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From: Cogan, Danielle Sent: Thursday, June 19, 2008 2:30 PM To: Bomar, Audri Cc: Swensen, Darla Subject: FW: I-5 Bridge

Audri,

Please make sure the comment at the beginning of this series of messages is added to the Draft EIS comments.

Thank you,

Danielle

From: Swensen, Darla [mailto:SwenseD@wsdot.wa.gov] Sent: Wednesday, June 18, 2008 3:24 PM To: Cogan, Danielle Subject: FW: I-5 Bridge

Danielle,

At the bottom of this e-mail chain is a letter from a citizen making a comment on tolling -- and I am making the assumption she is talking about tolling on the I-5 bridge.

I have told Paula's office that I will send the e-mail over to you for inclusion in the DEIS comments and

for normal response to the citizen.

Thanks for your help with this.

Darla

From: Aldridge, Jo On Behalf Of Hammond, Paula Sent: Wednesday, June 18, 2008 3:13 PM To: Wagner, Don; Swensen, Darla Subject: FW: I-5 Bridge

This is Jo. . . . just sharing comment.

From: City Info [mailto:cityinfo@ci.portland.or.us] Sent: Wednesday, May 28, 2008 2:01 PM To: 'beth.k.wilson@odot.state.or.us'; Potter, Mayor; Adams, Sam; Saltzman, Dan; Leonard, Randy; 'pubwks.cservice@clark.wa.gov'; Hammond, Paula; 'stuart.l. farmer@co.multnomah.or.us'; 'dot.comments@dot.gov'; Dutt, John; 'brian. carlson@ci.vancouver.wa.us' Cc: 'cherie_ashcraft@yahoo.com' Subject: FW: I-5 Bridge

Dear Beth Wilson (ODOT), City of Portland Commissioners, Mayor Potter of the City of Portland, Clark County Transportation Division, Multhomah County Transportation Division, WSDOT Transportation Secretary, U.S. of Department of Transportation and the Public Works Director for the City of Vancouver Washington.

This email came in on the main City of Portland email address <u>cityinfo@ci.portland.or.us</u> I am sending this email to your offices incase if you would like to respond to this citizen. If you would like this email to go else where please let me know where and I will be happy to forward this on, thanks for your assistance.

David Muir Information and Ref

From: Cherie Ashcraft [mailto:cherie_ashcraft@yahoo.com] Sent: Wednesday, May 28, 2008 8:54 AM 02763

To: cityinfo@ci.portland.or.us Subject: I-5 Bridge

P-1121-001 I think that the people who use the bridge should pay a toll.

Please forward this to the appropriate department; thank you.

Cherie Ashcraft

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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.