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Subject: **DEIS Comments**

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Thank you for taking the time to meet with the residents of JBMI, again. The purpose of my email is to express a couple of my concerns for the bridge project and the impact on my community. I live at Jantzen Beach Moorage and am unfortunate in the location of my house (B Row) as it happens to be in the area of GREAT activity for this project.

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On several occassions we have asked what the options are for the homes displaced for the construction of the bridge project. On several occassions we have heard that you don't know. We have asked if we could be relocated to a "new"/"mini" moorage and heard you don't know. Since this has been the answer for several years, I don't get the impression that a new mini moorage will be an option, as the permit process is lengthy and you still don't know what will happen to those of us affected.

P-1133-003 A second concerns is that I have a library of maps of the construction options (handed out at meetings I have attended) and I find that the offset LRT seems to "float over our moorage" where the LRT crosses the North Portland Harbor. One map it's over E Row, the next map it's over D Row and most recently it is over C Row. A-Row is a primary target on all drawings, but this "floating" bridge has affected the property sales on all homes/slips in Rows A-F. Seems to me by this stage of the game, where the LRT bridge is placed would be consistant and not cause helter-skelter for 52 homes.

P-1133-004 I am also concerns that for several years the planner have know that several homes will be displaced in our moorage however when asked what will happen to those homes the relocation specialist was vague and non-commital saying that ODOT has only relocated 1 floating home in it's history. When are you going to start working out a game plan for our community?

Having lived in the heart beat of the I-5 traffic nightmare for over 15 years I

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Thank you for taking the time to submit your comments on the I-5 CRC DEIS.

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Chapter 3 (Section 3.3) of the DEIS disclosed all known floating home displacements that would result from the two highway and two transit alternatives crossing the North Portland Harbor (pages 3-105 and 3-112, respectively). The DEIS also listed potential mitigation measures tailored to suit the unique situation of the floating home community (page 3-119).

For the FEIS analysis, the CRC project team has worked to better understand the organization of the floating home communities in the North Portland Harbor. As presented in Chapter 3 (Section 3.5) and Chapter 6: Public Involvement of the FEIS, the team coordinated with floating home owners, moorage owners, Boards and management, to gather address and ownership information for each floating home. The impacts to individual floating homes are described in Chapter 3 (Section 3.3) of the FEIS and listed in Appendix E.

In the course of conversations with potentially affected property owners, CRC staff received inquiries about the potential for constructing a new marina to accommodate displaced floating homes. To better understand issues related to new marina permitting and construction, project staff conducted research on the development of marinas. This research found likely challenges to developing a new floating home marina, including the challenge of receiving permits through local jurisdictions and environmental resource agencies. The project is not pursuing construction of a floating home marina.

As with any other acquisitions, the CRC will obtain independent appraisals to determine fair market value for each home that must be displaced but cannot be relocated. Qualified acquisition agents will work 2 of 2

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understand the need to make improvements on commuting however I would like to feel that there is a plan to minimize the distruction of our community and I don't get the feeling that anyone is working on our neighborhood at JBMI.

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closely with each floating home owner to try to arrive at mutually agreeable terms for the purchase of each home. The agents will also provide relocation assistance to all displaced occupants.

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It is not ucommon for designs to evolve during the development of alternatives to be analyzed in a Draft EIS. Following the publication of the CRC DEIS, the local project sponsoring agencies selected the adjacent transit alingment over North Portland Harbor, in part, to minimize impacts to JBMI. The design of this alignment will likely be modified in small ways all the way into final design, but will not likely change substaintially in alignment over North Portland Harbor or JBMI.

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It is uncommon for a project similar to CRC to determine relocation options for displaced homes prior to receiving federal funding, or having a locally preferred alternative (LPA). The specifics of relocation will be determined once the CRC project obtains federal funds, after the Federal Record of Decision.