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P-1171-001 Utilizing old bridges may cost less, but retains the opening and closing - traffic backup problem. With two 108 ft wide bridges, six lanes of traffic (lanes 1-6 from inside) could be available with one lane of rapid traffic and one lane of buss traffic located on the outside as lanes 7 & 8, and a wide pedestrian/bike path located on the very outside as lane 9. This would give all transportation usage, and eliminate the need for a third bridge.
 Best Wishes, Tom

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The Stacked/Transit Highway Bridge (STHB) option, which would allow transit, bicyclists, and pedestrians to travel beneath the highway bridge deck, was included as part of the LPA. The DEIS indicated that the two bridges required for this bridge option would put less bridge sub-structure in the Columbia River, likely resulting in less environmental impact. After publication of the DEIS, additional engineering studies were conducted that confirmed the feasibility of the STHB design.

The STHB is described in greater detail in Chapter 2 (Section 2.2) of the FEIS. Impacts associated with a STHB are discussed throughout Chapter 3 of the FEIS.