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Dear WSDOT:

**I-1037-001** I haven't written before regarding the proposed SR-520 design, but I feel I must do so before the citizens of Seattle are railroaded into another mega-project by the dim bulbs at WSDOT.

I have watched recent in-depth discussions of the alternative proposals on the Seattle Channel. I have also watched as the Seattle City Council has dallied and dabbled with this project, knowing full well how under-funded it is. I am also aware of the overall lip service being paid to such important aspects of the project, such as the Environmental Impact Statement and potential further damage to the eco-system of the Foster Island/Union Bay/Arboretum area. Just in time for Halloween, it's deja voodoo all over again -- a mirror image of the Greg Nickels Memorial SR99 Tunnel nonsense.

Let me be perfectly clear on where I stand.

**I am unequivocally opposed to the so-called "Pacific Street Interchange," and its attendant six-lane configuration.** It's a vast pile of concrete in an era when such mega-pours are already obsolete. There's a reason we didn't build the R.H. Thompson Expressway through the middle of the Arboretum 40 years ago. Why in the world would we want to create something three times as wide in the same environmentally sensitive area?

I don't know what the project managers at WSDOT are smoking, but it's illegal within 25 feet of public buildings, let alone in their offices.

Any new SR-520 exchange through the Montlake area should be limited to **no more than four lanes, and the Pacific Street Interchange should be summarily rejected.**

## **I-1037-001**

### **Comment Summary:**

Pacific Street Interchange Option

### **Response:**

See Section 1.2 of the 2006 Draft EIS Comment Response Report.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely yours,

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