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Comment Summary:

Pacific Street Interchange Option

Response:

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

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Subject: Comment on options

I strongly support the 6 lane option with the High Level Pacific Street Interchange.

The Montlake community have justly complained about their neighborhood being adversely impacted by traffic passing thru the Montlake corridor just to get from the University and stadium parking to 520.

This option puts the impact where it belongs - in the University area and in the UW stadium parking lots. With some minor modifications, the cars lining up to get onto the 520 access ramps can be confined to the UW property and immediate access streets.

This allows the Montlake residents to enjoy the use of their neighborhood streets with less impact from "in-transit" traffic.

We should do what we can to mitigate the impact of UW traffic. But restricting 520 capacity hurts Montlake residents more than anyone else by creating gridlock in their neighborhood.

I don't live in Montlake. I've worked at UW for 35 years, commuting by bus, car or bike at various times.

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