

## STATEMENT OF RANDY BANNECKER

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3 My name is Randy Bannecker, and I would like to  
4 comment on the proposed bicycle/pedestrian connections from  
5 Madison Park to the new 520 bridge and ask that the 37th  
6 Avenue East alignment be taken off the table due to the  
7 severe impact it would impose on the Foster Island  
8 wetlands. The technical memorandum connected to the DEIS  
9 reveals a number of impacts associated with the 37th Avenue  
10 East alignment impacts to the wetland, loss of wildlife  
11 habitat, earthquake liquefaction risk, archaeological  
12 resource potential, and then United States Department of  
13 Transportation 4F conflict -- potentially conflicting that  
14 4F Rule.

15 Additional concerns with this alignment are that that  
16 street end, the 37th Avenue East street end, provides a  
17 rare quiet street end park space that's used consistently.  
18 The swath of wetland habitat clearing may approach 30 feet  
19 due to the need for a work bridge to construct this  
20 alignment. The introduction of lighting once the structure  
21 is completed during nighttime I think has the potential to  
22 interfere with wildlife, and I believe that what is  
23 probably an add-on of 25 million perhaps more cost wise  
24 would be better spent mitigating other impacts of 520 or  
25 perhaps making other improvements to the bicycle

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Madison Park Bicycle/Pedestrian Connection

**Response:**

See Section 24.1 of the 2006 Draft EIS Comment Response Report.

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connectivity.

I think if any connection should be pursued, it should be the 43rd Avenue East connection. Thank you.