

I-0312-001

Comment Summary:

Madison Park Bicycle/Pedestrian Connection

Response:

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

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Alternatives

- Comment on All Alternatives
- 4-Lane Alternative
- 6-Lane Alternative
- 6-Lane with Pacific Street Interchange
- 6-Lane with Second Montlake Bridge
- 6-Lane with South Kirkland Transit Access
- Other 6-Lane Option

Environmental Topics

- Construction
- Cultural and Historic
- Funding and Tolling
- Land and Structures
- Fish and Wildlife
- Neighborhoods and Communities
- Noise
- Other Environmental Effects
- Parks and Recreation
- Transportation and Transit
- Wetlands/Water Resources

Other Topics

- General Comment
- Urban Design

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I have been a Madison park resident for 20 years, and I currently live on McGilvra boulevard. I frequently commute to the East side or to the University district. I'm disappointed that the pedestrian/bicycle on-ramp from Madison park has been dropped from the presentation on display, and would like this option to still be studied, and, I hope, approved.

A Pedestrian/bicycle onramp from the Madison park neighborhood would offer a wonderful opportunity to motivate neighbors to choose alternative transportation, foot or bike, to head to the East side or to the University district. It's currently a ~4 mile ride to reach the University, on a fairly challenging course (both geographically (twist and turns, elevation gains) and in terms of street hazards). A number of neighbors would walk or bike to the U or to U village if it was an easier path. I currently have to ride over 190 in order to go to the East side (I realize that I can hop on a bus, but this is not an ideal solution, between delays waiting for the bus, bike racks often full at rush hour, cooling down and freezing when nice and sweaty after riding, etc.) An easy access to the 520 multiuse path would make this commute much more natural. It really wouldn't take much to get a number of people interested in leaving their car at home, which will go along way towards relieving the pressure on surface streets and on the bridge.

I've lived in the neighborhood for over 20 years now and am well aware that there is a very vocal, and well organized, opposition to any path leading into Madison park. I do not agree with the arguments usually put forth, fears of crime or danger of increased bike traffic on our streets. I would actually welcome an increase of bike traffic on my street as a way to calm the traffic. I am definitely in favor of such an option. I couldn't begin to say if the majority of residents are leaning one way or the other, but please do NOT believe that we are all opposed to the onramp: many families would love to walk with their children, or with a stroller, or bike, to the path. Many commuters would embrace an easy alternative. My 11 year-old children, along with many of the children growing up in our neighborhood, will probably end up going to the University of Washington. A foot/bike path would be a wonderful way for them to head for their classes. I have to believe that there is already a number of people who would be interested, and I'd be ready to bet that within a few years of increased traffic congestion and high gas prices, many more would look favorably on this.

Thank you.

Dominique Blachon

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- Other Topics**
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I would like to see a "lid option" studied for the 4-lane alternative in Montlake. A lid would be very welcome as noise (and fumes?) abatement, and offers a way to increase the amount of open space, to be used as park, community gathering space, pedestrian/bike routes.

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I-0312-002 Comment Summary: 4-Lane Alternative

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

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Just one vote for tolling. It seems to me that variable tolls (higher at rush hour) make sense. I'm also in favor of tolls on I-90, while we're at it.

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Comment Summary:

Tolling Scenarios, Pricing, and Revenue

Response:

See Section 3.3 of the 2006 Draft EIS Comment Response Report.