



SR 520, I-5 to Medina: Supplemental Draft EIS Comment Form

Welcome to the environmental hearing for the SR 520, I-5 to Medina: Bridge Replacement and HOV Project Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). Please use this form to share your comments on the content provided in the Supplemental Draft EIS document. WSDOT will consider all comments received between Jan. 22 and April 15, 2010 in making its final decision in the environmental review process. Thank you for your comments.

**Please enter your contact information below. (Last name and zip code are required to save comment.) If you would like to be added to the project mailing list, please fill out the rest of the contact information and check the box below.**

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Do you have any comments on the SR 520, I-5 to Medina: Bridge Replacement and HOV Project Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement?

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First off, let me say that Seattle is not Bellevue. We are not obligated to accommodate the needs of Microsoft. There is a huge glut of commercial real estate available in downtown Seattle. We do not need people to be obligated to commute to Bellevue to suit the likes of Steve Ballmer.

I am strongly, strongly opposed to Plan A. It is ridiculous not to put ramps that skip the Montlake cut as it has been a bottleneck for decades, and will end up completely gridlocked if a six-lane freeway remains in the current configuration. TO me, this is the number one issue. I am not next to the proposed work, so my issues are not personal, although I think it is insane not to resolve the Montlake cut issue, especially when Husky stadium has a huge parking lot that is open for development.

I would remind anyone in political office that the opposition to the plan A is immense in the city of Seattle. You want to put the interests of Bellevue over Seattle and watch what happens.

I wouldn't be surprised if protest to the project takes the form of blocked streets. Boyer is an especially easily blocked street.

*These comments will become part of the public record for the SR 520, Medina to SR 202: Eastside Transit and HOV Project Environmental Assessment. Personal information is voluntary and will become part of the public record if provided. The Washington State Department of Transportation is a public agency and is subject to the State of Washington's Public Records Act (RCW 42.56). Therefore, meeting comments may be made available to anyone requesting them for non-commercial purposes.*

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Comment noted. WSDOT received a number of comments in support of and in opposition to Options A, K, and L and the associated suboptions. These opinions are summarized in the Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement Summary of Comments (WSDOT, April 2010), available at <http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/Projects/SR520Bridge/SDEIS.htm>.

Since publication of the SDEIS, WSDOT has identified a Preferred Alternative, which is similar to Option A but with a number of design refinements that would improve mobility and safety while reducing negative effects. Chapter 2 of the Final EIS describes the Preferred Alternative and Chapters 5 and 6 describe its environmental effects.