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Comment – 5/30/04

Hi my name is Karen Baer, and I live in Seattle at 10742 2nd Ave NW and I do not want a tunnel, I want the Alaskan Way Viaduct replaced as it is. I don't think that this should be an opportunity for developers to make more money and I don't think a tunnel is smart, I think it is just going to just suck up more dollars. It needs to be the least expensive and I think replacement is fast and I would never be able to enjoy the waterfront if Alaskan Way was not there because I would never go there. I am not going to go there for high priced development like is already down there. So, strongly, strongly, strongly against the tunnel and extremely favorable towards simple replacement. Thank you.

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FHWA, WSDOT, and the City of Seattle appreciate receiving your comments on the Rebuild Alternative. After studying several retrofitting concepts, the lead agencies found that rebuilding the viaduct would not be a cost-effective, long-term solution that adequately addresses the risks to public safety and the weakened state of the viaduct. Elements of the Rebuild and Aerial Alternatives were incorporated into the Elevated Structure Alternative, which was analyzed in the 2006 Supplemental Draft EIS and the Final EIS. Because the project has evolved since comments were submitted in 2004, please refer to the Final EIS for current information.