

AWV Draft EIS Comment Form Results:

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Would like to be added to the project mailing list?

Yes

Project Comments:

I-062-001

I-062-002

I am a West Seattleite and I strongly favor the full tunnel alternative. There is not another alternative that would better fit with the City, its needs and the diverse constituencies that live and work in and around Seattle. The cost may seem like a lot to some, but in the long run we've got one shot at this corridor and we've got to do it right. My main concern is that the people of West Seattle have access in and out during construction. I leave 'in and out' open for the reason that access to I-5 and 1st Ave S. was not enough after the 2001 earthquake and I fear it won't be during construction for this project either. I support improvements to the current configuration to help get traffic off of the bridge and moving north and south and would like to see access to/from 99 maintained in some capacity during construction. Construction will be tough and access will undoubtedly be limited, but please try not to forget your friends on the west side. Also, this project has had the best public outreach I have seen on a project this size. Keep up the good work!

I-062-001

FHWA, WSDOT, and the City of Seattle appreciate receiving your comments on the 2004 Cut-and-Cover Tunnel Alternative. The alignment for the Cut-and-Cover Tunnel Alternative has been refined in the Final EIS. The lead agencies have identified the Bored Tunnel Alternative as the preferred alternative due to its ability to best meet the project's identified purposes and needs and the support it has received from diverse interests. Because the project has evolved since comments were submitted in 2004, please refer to the Final EIS for current information.

I-062-002

The transportation planning process for construction is ongoing. To date, a number of strategies have been identified to help West Seattle residents travel into and through the downtown area. The Spokane Street Viaduct project will add a ramp at Fourth Avenue S., which will help divert some in-bound traffic off of First Avenue S. Peak hour parking restrictions along First Avenue S. could also be implemented to provide additional roadway capacity.

Transit service to and from West Seattle will be greatly expanded and roadway treatments to improve the speed and reliability of buses travelling from West Seattle to downtown will be provided. Please see the Final EIS for more information on traffic impacts during construction.