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Subject: Viaduct Replacement Comments

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I-602-001

It is imperative that we give priority to maintaining traffic on SR 99 during construction.

My wife and I live in West Scattle, and SR 99 provides our primary access to downtown Scattle. My wife commutes daily on the Metro express busses that use the viaduct, and her commute would be significantly lengthened if the viaduct were closed.

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Let me also express our strong preference for the elevated solution. Only this alternative preserves the downtown access via Columbia and Seneca streets that we desperately need.

Thanks.

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One of the main benefits of the preferred Bored Tunnel Alternative is the ability to maintain operations on SR 99 throughout the construction period. Current construction plans call for a relatively short (several week) closure during the end of construction to connect the tunnel with the remainder of SR 99. Chapter 3 of the Final EIS describes the construction plans for each build alternative, and Chapter 6 summarizes construction effects. A detailed discussion of the construction effects on transportation facilities and services is provided in Chapter 6 of the Final EIS Appendix C, Transportation Discipline Report.

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FHWA, WSDOT, and the City of Seattle appreciate receiving your comments on the Elevated Structure Alternative. Because the project has evolved since comments were submitted in 2006, please refer to the Final EIS for current information.