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Project Comments:

I-186-001

I-186-002

I've been following the process of solving the problems with the Alaska Way Viaduct very closely. Would that all the money necessary were available. We could solve so many problems. The Mercer Way Mess could be solved while connecting I-5 directly with both SR-520 and Highway 99. The benefits to business interests would be immense. The Tunnel Alternative offers the greatest potential to the City of Seattle and its residents for redeveloping the front porch to the City while simultaneously providing more rapid and efficient movement of goods and people around both the City, the County and the Region. The savings anticipated through using the rebuilt seawall as a wall for the tunnel sweetens the project. Highway 99 is and most probably must remain a major highway of regional importance. It must someday connect fluidly with the other regional highways previously mentioned. Ideally, reconnection of city streets presently bisected by Highway 99/Aurora Avenue is also much to be desired. Provision should be made to eventually go for broke in this matter. Comprehensive planning designed to solve all of the problems should go forward post haste. The plans thus far presented are comprehensive. All that is lacking is the political will to say this must be done and it must be done now. We can be penny wise and pound foolish (as the City, County and State so often are) because so many of our citizens are locked into false memories of what yesterday was like. Rather than building for the future (for our posterity), all too many of our electeds choose to pander to an elitist view that everything old must be preserved. Bullfrog!! Let's get on with making tomorrow, and tomorrow, and tomorrow better. That is what we should be about.

Comments apply to:  
Tunnel Alternative  
Seawall

**I-186-001**

Thank you for your comment. Funding for transportation improvements often does not match the perceived need. The lead agencies are working to coordinate funded transportation improvements in Seattle to provide the most benefit for taxpayers.

**I-186-002**

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.