

AWV Draft EIS Comment Form Results:

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Project Comments:

I-195-001

To whom it may concern: I have been living in Seattle for 25 years and I am a third generation Seattlelite. I currently use SR99 to commute to work. However, I would be extremely happy to use another route while we replace the Viaduct with a tunnel. A tunnel is the best solution for multiple reasons. First of all, the concrete mass of the Viaduct pollutes the scenic beauty of Puget Sound. The amazing views from our local businesses and apartments are stifled from this monstrosity. The sound pollution from the Viaduct is another factor. I cannot go for a day-time stroll without being disturbed by the constant noise from the borage of large trucks and cars. Underneath the Viaduct is a seedy scene as well. It smells of urine and alcohol. Sketchy characters loom in the many shadows provided by the Viaduct making our city unsafe. My friends and I have even witnessed large rats scurrying across the sidewalks at night. Not only is the Viaduct offensive to our eyes and ears, but it stifles the growth of our city's prime real estate. It hinders our businesses, condominiums, and apartment complexes from reaching their potential on this great property. If we are already going to spend a large amount of money to replace the existing structure, we should go ahead and take this opportunity to enhance our city's waterfront the most by building a tunnel. It may be more expensive but future generations of Seattleites will undoubtedly be grateful. The long term effect of building a tunnel will be beneficial for our entire community. Tourism will increase which will result in even more capital coming into our city. I think the average citizen won't mind paying the extra money to greatly enhance the Seattle Waterfront. This is our chance to have the premier waterfront on the West Coast. It is a once in a lifetime opportunity to make our waterfront beautiful. It can and should be something we will all be proud of. I look forward to a better city. Thank you, David Friedl

Comments apply to:
Tunnel Alternative

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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.

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