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Allison Ray,

I have been a lifelong Seattle resident, 52 years, and proud of it. I remember when Highway 99 was the main route of travel. That time has past however and it needs replacing. The solution must be cost effective, done in a timely manner and improve efficiency. Of the 5 plans to replace the viaduct, I support the Bypass Tunnel. It appears to be cost effective by utilizing a tunnel through downtown and freeing up the waterfront area to be more citizen friendly. The time frame is acceptable, being less than other options. It would also have more lanes to travel with. The other options require more dollars or more time to build. A surface roadway is the most idiotic choice. An aerial would take much too long to build. Replacing the viaduct would create massive traffic jams and NOT solve the problem of safety.

I live in West Seattle and use the viaduct every day. As one of the 110,000 auto's a day using 99, I consider it of the highest priority of our transportation problems. Please make a choice and BUILD IT. It is past time when our leaders show direction and commitment.

Realistically,



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FHWA, WSDOT, and the City of Seattle appreciate receiving your comments on the 2004 Bypass Tunnel Alternative. The Bypass Tunnel Alternative was eliminated from further consideration because it did not meet the project's purpose; please see Chapter 2 for the full discussion about why this alternative was dropped. 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.