AWV Draft EIS Comment Form Results

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Project Comments:

I-264-001

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Draft EIS is deficient in evaluating impacts of construction on pedestrian traffic and safety on the waterfront. Draft EIS is deficient in evaluating impacts of dirt and noise pollution on the waterfront area during the proposed construction. Draft EIS is deficient in evaluating impacts of lost parking and waterfront access for residents and visitors to the waterfront, both during the proposed construction process as well as once the project is completed. Public hearings simply did not exist. Format was an open house with no opportunity for public comment. All comments were given in private formats -- such as online, written, or through transcription. It is my right to have my comments heard by other concerned citizens, and my right to be able to hear the comments of others. No opportunity was given for me to exercise these rights.

Comments apply to: Overall Project Construction Impacts and Mitigation All of the Alternatives

I-264-001 Pedestrian traffic and safety

Pedestrian access will be maintained at all times during construction activities. At times, it will be necessary to reroute pedestrians using temporary facilities/detours, but these detours will be designed to minimize any inconvenience. Any pedestrian facility (e.g., sidewalk, bridge, path, etc.) that may be removed to accommodate construction activities will be replaced with a temporary facility in a nearby location with equal capacity. Further details regarding the specifics of pedestrian detours during construction will become available once the construction plans evolve. The discussion of pedestrian safety and access has been updated in the Final EIS to reflect the work that has been done since the 2004 Draft EIS was published.

Dirt and noise pollution

The Final EIS Appendix F, Noise Discipline Report, and Appendix M, Air Discipline Report, contain analysis of the dust and noise associated with construction. The construction plans have been updated since the 2004 Draft EIS. Please see the Final EIS for updated information.

Impacts of lost parking and waterfront access for residents and visitors

The lead agencies recognize that businesses along the central waterfront, Western Avenue, and Pioneer Square rely on the short-term parking in the area. Refer to the Parking section of the Final EIS Appendix C, Transportation Discipline Report, for updated information.

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We understand that members of the public may prefer different ways to share their comments. In order to encourage as much feedback as possible, we provided several options. At the hearings, attendees could

submit comments on a written form, on a computer using an electronic form, or verbally to a court reporter. In addition to the meetings, the public could submit comments by mail or e-mail to the program team. The program team often holds open house-format public meetings to provide as much flexibility as possible to the public. With an open house format, hearing participants are able to come and go to the meetings as their schedules allow, making the meetings more convenient for many people.