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FHWA, WSDOT, and the City of Seattle appreciate receiving your comments on the Bored Tunnel Alternative.

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To whom it may concern,

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I would like to comment on the Alaskan Way Viaduct replacement. First, my wife and I both think that the deep bore tunnel option is a great alternative for the replacement of the viaduct. It would greatly open up the area and greatly increase the beautiful view of the waterfront area by not having to try to peer through the massive gray columns of another bridge. By removing the bridge and not replacing the existing structure, we think it would really clean up the area and make the waterfront much more accessible. We also think that it would allow for even more "tourist-friendly" businesses to come in and revitalize the waterfront. One other thing that we think is important is that the Deep Bore Tunnel will massively decrease the noise levels in the area and create a much more serene and beautiful setting.

This project will also be terrific for job creation and economic stimulus by infusing a billion plus dollars into the area. We also would like to see some increased parking in the area as it does get pretty congested down there - especially during tourist season. As for my wife and me, we like to take the light rail from Seatac to Pioneer Square or something and just walk down to the waterfront.

We hope that you will continue with your plans for the Deep Bore Tunnel, as we believe that it makes the most sense and has the most advantages in the long run. The cost overrun issue sounds like it has been mitigated by the lower than estimated bid. Please don't delay as costs are always going up.

Thank you ,

Dan and Ramona Jurich