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Subject: 520 DEIS

Hi Paul. My comments re: the 520 project.

1. I favor the Base 6 lane alternative.
 - A. Tolls will reduce congestion, put them on ASAP.
 - B. Study the effects of various tolling rates and time of day rates.
 - C. Minimize impacts by keeping profile very low. Squeeze 520 into the narrowest possible right of way. Push the limits on minimizing shoulders and width of bike lane, especially as it goes through Montlake.
 - D. Demand quiet asphalt and sound walls wherever it makes any difference to the neighbors.
 - E. Maximize lids and esthetics of park space in Medina and Montlake.
 - F. Give great consideration to the University of Washington parking needs and events.
 - G. Mandate maintaining floating bridge from the north side of the pontoons so as to get rid of the verticality that Hood Canal bridge has. UGLY!!
 - H. Enlarge Montlake Blvd. north of the Montlake Bridge from 4 to 6 lanes RIGHT NOW!! Make one lane HOV in each direction.
 - I. Consider putting in a storage lane for eastbound 520 SOV traffic southbound on a lane of Montlake Blvd.
 - J. Minimize effects of construction on everyone by very well planned method of floating in new pontoons in the middle of the night. Phase work on land to keep some lanes open and communicate this to the public.
 - K. Coordinate the stoplights southbound on Montlake NOW, so there is a flow which is not impeded by unnecessary holdups.

2. I oppose the Pacific Interchange version of the 6 lane alternative.
 - A. The cost is prohibitive.
 - B. The new bridge over the eastern approach to the Cut is monstrous. That would be a mistake of huge proportions which we would rue for 60 years!!
 - C. Ruinous to parking at the UW Hospital and Med. School.
 - D. Would gouge huge hole in the most beautiful campus in the world and ruin the view down Rainier Vista.
 - E. This road is a disaster to the Arboretum.
 - F. It would wipe out the UW boating and canoe center.
 - G. UW football and basketball programs would be very negatively affected.
 - H. Only chance to get positive vote is to act in a responsible manner of planning this project which is discernible to the somewhat interested citizen. A great plan will generate public support.

Sincerely, Russell D. Amick

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Comment Summary:

6-Lane Alternative

Response:

See Section 1.2 of the 2006 Draft EIS Comment Response Report.

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Comment Summary:

Pacific Street Interchange Option

Response:

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