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When building special consideration must be taken regarding local environmental as well as business impact. The 6 lane alternative will result in some pretty severe impact to the UW and Arboretum areas during and after the construction. It looks as if some pretty significant areas within the university of washington area will be displaced or destroyed as a result of this alternative. The 4 lane alternative however does not appear to have nearly the same impact and results in a much needed increase in capacity at the 520 interchange. If any of these options is to be considered it should be the four lane as the impacts local businesses, residents, and the environment are minimalized. This used in conjunction with programs that will help get drivers off the road using either mass transit or carpooling alternatives for their morning and afternoon commutes would greatly assist in the alleviation of traffic bottlenecks for those using the affected roads in their commute. Promoting an increase in the amount of people on freeways and local roads will only result in increased traffic, increased collisions, and increased frustration on part of the local and greater seattle community.

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Response:

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