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**Comment:**

I-0721-001

This is an amazing and thorough study. I appreciate all the work that has gone into it and the sensitivity to areas affected, the history of these regions that would be affected, the environmental, ecological, social and aesthetic considerations, as well as the well-laid-out options for response. Congratulations on all this work!

I-0721-002

Now, I have to say, that considering building more roads is just crazy. We have to get people out of their cars and into low impact, high density modes of travel. We have a serious greenhouse gas problem and the biggest contributor is CARS! So is the pollution of Puget Sound - CARS - water run-off from our roadways.

Our glaciers are melting. Our air quality has worsened dramatically since I moved here 20 years ago. The history of Los Angeles has proved that building more roads only encourages more automobile traffic, rather than lessening the congestion problem. People need to work where they live and developers cannot go on creating housing farther and farther out and expecting the taxpayers to build the roads to carry all those people. No, we need an infrastructure that does NOT RESPOND to urban sprawl, but rather makes it possible for people to move efficiently and with low environmental impact.

Why doesn't Microsoft move some of its offices to Seattle, so people who live in Seattle can work in Seattle. UW has a Bothell Campus- Use it More! Etc, Etc Etc.

We have to draw the line.

Also, I'm sick of seeing all the natural elements and habitats destroyed for the sake of us humans who can't seem to figure out how to live in a balanced manner with the rest of the creatures and within the limited capacities of the ecosystems of our earth. Everyone thinks, well, its just this little corner of Lake Washington, or this strip of trees - Mayor Nickels will plant some more somewhere else and it doesn't matter!

Here where I live, in the Rose Hill- Bridle Trails area of Kirkland, a beautiful strip of Madrona trees was recently cut down (one of the very rare and in my mind precious Madronas left over here and something I enjoyed driving by every day.) They were cut down. Why? So that the city of Redmond could widen Old Redmond Road and put some sort of center island thing in so traffic could move in and out of the side streets without crashing into each other - or some such. Or so more Micosrofies could get to work quicker. I don't know why. But do you know how hard it is to grow a Madrona? They are a gift. They aren't even sold in nurseries because they are so fragile and dependent on just the right soil.

What a lack of understanding of the preciousness of these beings we cohabit the earth with. They are there only to serve us and to be chopped down when they get in the way. There is no intrinsic value given to anything in our natural environment if it gets in OUR WAY.

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**Comment Summary:**

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**Response:**

See Section 23.1 of the 2006 Draft EIS Comment Response Report.

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**Comment Summary:**

Regional Land Use and Transportation Planning

**Response:**

See Section 6.4 of the 2006 Draft EIS Comment Response Report.

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So,Sorry for the rant, but I think we have to JUST SAY NO to more roads! Period. And find another way. Get over it with the need to drive our individual cars back and forth everywhere we go. Our city Cannot Sustain it and shouldn'e even be trying. Let's chart a new path.

Thank you.

**Comment Category: Neighborhood Effects**

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**I-0721-003**

That day care center should never have been allowed to be built there in the first place. At that current busy intersection the children are being exposed to hazardous exhaust all day long. I can't imagine any parent putting their child there and considering that a building with an asphalt playground in the middle of a busy intersection backing up to a major freeway consitutes a healthy environment for their kids. What was everyone thinking, including the Day Care licensers?

If you add more lanes and an expanded intersection, forget the day care. It would be a crime to have children there!

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**Comment Summary:**

Eastside Concerns

**Response:**

See Section 24.0 of the 2006 Draft EIS Comment Response Report.