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We have attended your presentations at MHI on the possible 520 bridge replacements. At both presentations we came away with the strong impression your Pacific Interchange was the only long term answer to the traffic / parking lot on Montlake Blvd.

This is an existent problem which we have observed growing worse each of the 37 years we have lived in the Laurelhurst area. Originally it was caused by bridge openings for every tall vessel at any time / improved by limiting the hours of opening.

Now it appears to be primarily increased by the steadily increasing number of commuters who need to return to the Eastside, both morning or evening.

I must say, they are a courteous and patient group BUT...

Yesterday, in the mail we received our Laurelhurst Newsletter. We were shocked to read the Community Club is endorsing the 4 LANE option. Our visit to MHI has endorsed our support for the Pacific Interchange; because we feel strongly that the neighborhood from University Village east to the lake and both south into Laurelhurst and north to 65th St. has been impacted by the inability of the residents to use Montlake Blvd. (Not to mention the struggle to pass through the Univ. District at rush hours.)

There are many in this area who do not support the LCC position.

Thank you for listening; and keep up the good work.

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Comment Summary:

4-Lane Alternative

Response:

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