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Dear Sirs.

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I recognize the need to relieve traffic agony, but I am not sure building more roads is the cure. More roads seem to equal more cars and trucks and the traffic hardly improves. Living in Coupeville, we rarely see traffic congestion except when we come into Seattle. Perhaps it seems worse to us by comparison. I am just not convinced we can build our way out of the problem, especially when it costs so much. Cost in tax dollars, and cost to the environment. Being a regular Husky football game attendee, yes, the traffic is difficult, but it is working. I would not want to see the apparent negative impacts a six lane road would do to the Arboretum and south UW campus.

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If the existing bridge needs fixing, then do it, but does it really mean we have to build it out to six lanes, and put in new interchanges? Why are we not looking at elevated light rail above the existing road path? Both Vancouver and Portland seem to have worked out a better solution. Not perfect, but at least not more roads and vehicles on them.

Thank you for the opportunity to express my viewpoint.

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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:

Light Rail Transit

Response:

See Section 2.2 of the 2006 Draft EIS Comment Response Report.