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Attachments:

Dear Mr. Krueger,

I-1126-001

I strongly oppose the Pacific Interchange option of the 520 Bridge. This is a hideous design that will severely impact:

- the critical migration channel of endangered salmon making their way between tributaries of Lake Washington and Puget Sound
- the aesthetic qualities of Union Bay, over which it takes the longest possible route
- the ecological and recreational resources of the Washington Park Arboretum wetlands
- historic qualities of the Olmsted-designed Washington Park Arboretum and the UW campus
- integrity of the UW's Canoe House which is on the National Register of Historic Places and recently underwent extensive restoration
- one of the city's most popular recreation staging locations, the UW Waterfront Activities Center
- safety of the numerous pleasure craft and tourism boats that regularly pass this constricted and congested area.

In addition, this option is undoubtedly the most expensive, with numerous in-water bridge supports required.

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The EIS does not adequately explore alternatives. For example, no alternative explores an additional bridge that would use the existing MOHAI site to create a short crossing of the ship canal. The EIS also does not fully address impacts of the alternatives, particularly to aquatic and historic resources.

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At this point the only reasonable alternative is for four lanes with transit and bike / pedestrian lanes.

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Comment Summary:

Pacific Street Interchange Option

Response:

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

I-1126-002

Comment Summary:

Regional Land Use and Transportation Planning

Response:

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

I-1126-003

Comment Summary:

4-Lane Alternative

Response:

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

Thank you.

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