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Subject: Protect the Washington Park Arboretum from SR 520 expansion!
Date: Monday, October 30, 2006 11:07:40 AM
Attachments:

Paul Krueger
Environmental Manager
Washington Department of Transportation (WSDOT)

Dear Mr. Krueger,

I-1187-001 | I support a four lane rebuild of SR 520. I do not support a six lane expansion of SR 520, and I do not support a six lane expansion of SR 520 with Pacific Interchange. I will not support a new regional tax whose intent is to expand SR 520 and the market for SOV transit.

I am sorry that the Montlake community and WSDOT ask us to choose between the devil (six lanes and a big hole through Montlake) and the devil (six lanes and a big hole through Montlake plus a big hole through the Arboretum wetlands and a viaduct over Union Bay). All six lane expansion options come at too high a cost to taxpayers, neighborhoods, the Arboretum and its wetlands, and our city.

I-1187-002 | Please take note that the DEIS fails to measure the impact of closing Montlake Blvd ramps to 520 commuters on both the Arboretum and neighborhoods south of the cut. Montlake, specifically Shelby Hamlin, achieves a small restoration of its neighborhood at the expense of every other neighborhood adjacent to the Arboretum or within view and earshot of SR 520.

I-1187-003 | Also, I request that WSDOT conduct a thorough Section 106 review of the effects of the SR 520 Project on Washington Park Arboretum, Lake Washington Boulevard and the University of Washington Campus. All are significant Olmsted cultural landscapes, all are eligible for National Register of Historic Places, and all are adversely impacted by all

I-1187-001

Comment Summary:

4-Lane Alternative

Response:

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

I-1187-002

Comment Summary:

Arboretum Area (Local Streets)

Response:

See Section 5.3 of the 2006 Draft EIS Comment Response Report.

I-1187-003

Comment Summary:

Olmstead Resources

Response:

See Section 11.2 of the 2006 Draft EIS Comment Response Report.

I-1187-003 | proposed SR 520 alternatives.

With best regards,
Wallis Bolz