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Dear Mr. Krueger,

I-1230-001

I am writing you as a concerned citizen and Seattle resident to request that a thorough Section 106 review be made to examine the full effect 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 the proposed 520 alternatives.

As our urban areas become denser, the need for open space increases. However, the 520 draft EIS strategically limits its scope so as to not trigger a compliance review. One example: the draft EIS looks at street traffic impacts north of Montlake, but does not analyze south-bound traffic along Lake Washington Boulevard through the Arboretum to Madison. This road is already choked with cars in the afternoon. It is our responsibility to fully evaluate the impact of this large project and not limit the scope of the EIS in any way.

I love the Arboretum and treasure it as a special community place. I just yesterday was describing the various pathways and sights to a neighbor with young children. I have also used it as a way to study the right trees to plant here in the Pacific NW. I will not vote for any SR 520 Project that does not protect this regional treasure and I urge you not to make irreversible short-cuts in evaluating our options.

Thank you,

Hunter Wessells

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**Comment Summary:**

Olmstead Resources

**Response:**

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

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