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To: 'sr520deiscomments@wsdot.wa.gov'

Subject: Portage Bay Noise Walls

I-0476-001 I am one of 11 floating home owners and residents who live on the Hamlin Cove dock in Portage Bay. Although various residents of our dock have participated throughout the development of alternatives for replacement of SR 520, I cannot find a single reference in the Draft EIS to the many floating home residents on Portage Bay or the impact on the floating home residents of the alternative proposals.

- Will you please let me know what research, if any, has been conducted concerning the impact of the SR 520 alternatives on the residents of the Portage Bay floating home community?
- Will you please let me know what input you have received from the public, including myself and other residents of our dock, concerning the impact of the SR 520 alternatives on the residents of the Portage Bay floating home community?
- Will you please let me know how you have taken into account the research and public input you have received concerning the impact of the SR 520 replacement project on the residents of the floating home community in your proposed alternatives and the specific design elements of each?

I-0476-002 Residents of our dock have repeatedly expressed concern to the WSDOT planners and to our elected officials over the noise impact of proposed SR 520 alternatives that do not include a continuous noise wall on the north side of Portage Bay. I am not able to determine from the Draft EIS whether this situation has been corrected. Will you please let me know specifically what is proposed for noise walls on the north side of the Portage Bay bridge under the various alternatives?

Thank you for answering these questions and addressing our concerns.

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I-0476-001

Comment Summary:

Neighborhood Issues

Response:

See Section 7.1 of the 2006 Draft EIS Comment Response Report.

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Comment Summary:

Noise Walls

Response:

See Section 12.2 of the 2006 Draft EIS Comment Response Report.