

SR 520, I-5 to Medina: Supplemental Draft EIS Comment Form

Please use this form to share your comments on the content provided in the Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement document. WSDOT will consider all comments received between Jan. 22 and April 15, 2010 in making its final decision in the environmental review process. Thank you for your comments.

You can provide comments using one of the following methods:

- Complete this form.
- Mail your comments to Jenifer Young, SDEIS Environmental Manager, Washington State Department of Transportation, 600 Stewart Street, Suite 520, Seattle, WA 98101.
- E-mail your comments to SR520Bridge_SDEIS@wsdot.wa.gov.
- Speak to a court reporter at an environmental hearing scheduled for 5 – 7 p.m., Feb. 23, at Lake Union Park Naval Reserve Building, 860 Terry Ave. N., Seattle.

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7. Do you have any comments on the SR 520, I-5 to Medina: Bridge Replacement and HOV Project Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement?

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| I-210-001 | 1. The EIS does not adequately address congestion faced by car and bus traffic leaving the bridge in Seattle. The Montlake Boulevard, Lake Washington Boulevard, Roanoke and Interstate 5 exits from 520 are all currently frequently congested. |
| I-210-002 | 2. There is inadequate analysis of an option to add light rail to the replacement of SR 520. |
| I-210-003 | I approve of the bypass of the Montlake Bridge by constructing a tunnel under Union Bay to Husky Stadium. |
| I-210-004 | I support addition of bicycle lanes. |
| | I oppose constructing a replacement for 520 without light rail from the first day of operation. |

These comments will become part of the public record for the SR 520, I-5 to Medina: Bridge Replacement and HOV Project Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement. Personal information is voluntary and will become part of the public record if provided. The Washington State Department of Transportation is a public agency and is subject to the State of Washington's Public Records Act (RCW 42.56). Therefore, comments may be made available to anyone requesting them for non-commercial purposes.

I-210-001

The Preferred Alternative would reduce traffic congestion and improve traffic operations and travel times for all vehicles using the SR 520 corridor. It would also improve local traffic operations in the Montlake interchange area. Chapter 5 of the Final EIS and Chapters 5, 6 and 8 of the Final Transportation Discipline Report (Attachment 7 to the Final EIS) describe how the No Build and Preferred Alternatives would affect freeway operations, local traffic, and transit operations.

I-210-002

Section 2.4 in the Final EIS explains why initial implementation of light rail transit on SR 520 is not planned. Section 2.4 also explains how the SR 520, I-5 to Medina project can accommodate future high capacity transit, such as proposed bus rapid transit or potential future light rail.

I-210-003

Comment noted. WSDOT received a number of comments in support of and in opposition to Options A, K, and L and the suboptions to these options. These opinions are summarized in the Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement Summary of Comments (WSDOT, April 2010), available at <http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/Projects/SR520Bridge/SDEIS.htm>.

I-210-004

Comment noted.