

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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Anything over the current 4 lane bridge is way too large and will causing irreparable damage to the west edge of the Lake, the Montlake Neighborhood, and the Washington Park Arboretum. We spent 7 years and several million dollars during the 1990s to write and approve a Master Plan for WPA. It was accepted by the City Council, mayor, Regents and public. You should pay attention to this plan. It calls for downsizing (or eliminating ) the ramps into the Arboretum, and reducing the traffic. The WPA is an internation treasure , one of a kind and any further impacts into it are clearly environmentally irresponsible. You need to find other avenues for this traffic and work to get people out of their cars. To enlarge the bridge, put more traffic into and through the Arboretum as well as reduce our useable green space is not the way to to.

Stick with the original plan.

John Wott, Director of WPA , 1993 - 2004.

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The Preferred Alternative would not include construction of any new ramps in the Arboretum, and would remove both the existing Lake Washington Boulevard ramps and the R.H. Thomson Expressway ramps. Access to Lake Washington Boulevard by westbound SR 520 traffic would be moved to a new intersection located on the Montlake Boulevard lid at 24th Avenue East.