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Subject: Tunnel and fast-track should be only option !
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WSDOT,

I-632-001 | I have lived in Seattle since 1966. I have seen the city evolve from a quiet working sea port to a beautiful urban super-city. That is, all except the very waterfront that makes Seattle this beautiful city we love... That it really could be if the ugly eyesore were removed. Imagine that Seattle could look like Miami, with gleaming high rises with unobstructed views and a quiet people-friendly waterfront. I go to the waterfront as little as possible, because it is so loud you have to yell to the person next to you. Imagine sitting at a cafe on the waterfront without the whine of traffic above your head !

Therefore, I must demand that a tunnel be the only option, at any price. This is all I would support. Otherwise, just let it crumble into Puget Sound ! In fact you can personally send my portion of the bill to my address below, even though I don't live in Seattle proper.

I-632-002 | Now about the construction schedule... Why is it that the third Mercer Island bridge was going to take 10+ years to build, but when it sank in the storm it was up and running in 18 months ? If everyone is so afraid of the traffic mess in Seattle - which is already the worse in the country in my opinion - why can't it be fast-tracked ? And, I insist that it be closed during the entire project no matter what the traffic in order to get it done as soon as possible ! Again, send me the bill.

I would be more than willing to pay my part. But only for a tunnel, and only for a fast-track plan.

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FHWA, WSDOT, and the City of Seattle appreciate receiving your comments on the 2006 Cut-and-Cover Tunnel Alternative. The alignment for the Cut-and-Cover Tunnel Alternative has been refined in the Final EIS. The lead agencies have identified the Bored Tunnel Alternative as the preferred alternative due to its ability to best meet the project's identified purposes and needs and the support it has received from diverse interests. Because the project has evolved since comments were submitted in 2006, please refer to the Final EIS for current information.

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FHWA, WSDOT, and the City of Seattle appreciate receiving your comments supporting the shorter construction plan. The lead agencies have continued to refine the construction durations for each build alternative. Please see Chapter 3 in the Final EIS for current information about the construction plans proposed for each build alternative.