

Columbia River CROSSING

Draft Environmental Impact Statement Comment Form

The Columbia River Crossing project welcomes your comments on the findings of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement or any other aspect of the project or process. Please fill out this form and use additional sheets of paper if necessary. Give this form to project staff or return to the project office.

TELL US ABOUT YOURSELF

What is your home zip code? 98663 Work zip code? 97205

Do you: (check all that apply)

- Live in the project area?
 Work in the project area?
 Own a business in the project area?

- Commute through the project area?
 Other _____

How do you regularly travel in the project area: (check all that apply)

- Bicycle?
 Car or Truck?
 Other _____
- Bus?
 Walk?

Comments:

- P-0589-001 VANCOUVER COLUMBIAN TODAY MAYOR ROYLE POLLARD EXPRESSED DISMAY OVER AN OPPOSITION BY AN OREGON GOVT. BODY TO A NEW BRIDGE. IN THE ARTICLE POLLARD CLAIMS THAT THE DECISION HAS 99% BEEN MADE. I VEHEMENTLY OBJECT TO THIS STATEMENT. I FEEL THAT POLLARD AND MANY OTHERS HAVE SOME SORT OF VESTED INTEREST IN REPLACING THE CURRENT BRIDGE, MANDATING THAT LIGHTRAIL BE BROUGHT INTO VANCOUVER, AND BRIDGE TOLLS BE INSTITUTED.
- P-0589-002 I AM STRONGLY OPPOSED TO BRINGING LIGHTRAIL INTO CLARK COUNTY. I AM IN FAVOR OF DEVELOPING ALTERNATIVE METHODS OF MASS TRANSIT.
- P-0589-004 I AM ALSO IN FAVOR OF EXPLORING THE CONCEPT OF THE WESTERN MATERIAL, AND THE POSSIBILITY OF CREATING A BRIDGE IN THE AREA OF THE CURRENT RAILROAD BRIDGE WEST OF THE I-5 BRIDGE. THIS WOULD BE A GREAT PLACE TO DIVERT TRUCK TRAFFIC. TRUCK TRAFFIC SHOULD BE REDUCED/DIVERTED ALONG THE NORTH END OF I-5 PRIOR TO THE BRIDGE INTO WASHINGTON.
- P-0589-006 MANY CHANGES COULD BE MADE PRESENTLY (SUCH AS THE CURRENT WIDENING AROUND DELTA PARK) THAT WOULD POSITIVELY IMPACT MANY OF THE PROBLEMS I SEE ON MY DAILY COMMUTE. I WOULD LIKE TO SEE A NEW BRIDGE, EVENTUALLY. HOWEVER I FEEL THERE ARE SO MANY THINGS THAT COULD BE DONE BEFORE THAT HAPPEN.

1. WHICH BRIDGE OPTION DO YOU SUPPORT? (please check any that you would support)

- P-0589-007 Replace the existing bridges
 Supplement the existing bridges with a new structure
 Do nothing—make no changes to the existing bridges
 No opinion

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P-0589-001

The CRC project's six local sponsor agencies selected a replacement I-5 bridge with light rail to Clark College as the project's Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA) after the close of the 60-day DEIS public comment period in July 2008. These sponsor agencies, which include the Portland City Council, Vancouver City Council, TriMet Board, C-TRAN Board, Metro Council, and the RTC Board considered the DEIS analysis, public comment, and a recommendation from the CRC Task Force when voting on the LPA.

For a more detailed description of the development of the LPA, see Chapter 2 of the FEIS.

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Thank you for taking the time to submit your comments on the I-5 CRC DEIS.

P-0589-003

Preferences for specific alternatives or options, as expressed in comments received before and after the issuance of the DEIS, were shared with local sponsor agencies to inform decision making. Following the close of the 60-day DEIS public comment period in July 2008, the CRC project's six local sponsor agencies selected a replacement I-5 bridge with light rail to Clark College as the project's Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA). These sponsor agencies, which include the Portland City Council, Vancouver City Council, TriMet Board, C-TRAN Board, Metro Council, RTC Board, considered the DEIS analysis, public comment, and a recommendation from the CRC Task Force when voting on the LPA.

With the LPA, new bridges will replace the existing Interstate Bridges to carry I-5 traffic, light rail, pedestrians and bicyclists across the Columbia River. Light rail will extend from the Expo Center MAX Station in Portland

2. WHAT HIGH CAPACITY TRANSIT MODE DO YOU SUPPORT? (please check any that you would support)

- P-0589-007** Bus rapid transit between Vancouver and Portland
- Light rail between Vancouver and Portland
- Do not add high capacity transit between Vancouver and Portland
- No opinion

3. WOULD YOU SUPPORT BRINGING BUS RAPID TRANSIT OR LIGHT RAIL TO THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS? (please check any that you would support)

	Yes	No	Unsure	No Opinion
Lincoln Terminus (39th and Main)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kiggins Bowl Terminus (I-5 and 45th)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Clark College MOS Terminus	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mill Plain MOS Terminus (15th and Main)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

DO YOU WANT TO STAY INVOLVED IN THE PROJECT? | Optional

YES NO Would you like to be added to the project mailing list?

Name (First & Last Name, Organization)

Address (Street, City, State, Zip)

E-mail (enter address to receive monthly electronic updates)

Thank you!

Give this form to project staff or return to the project office:

Postal Mail

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Comments must be postmarked by July 1, 2008



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to a station and park and ride at Clark College in Vancouver. Pedestrians and bicyclists would travel along a wider and safer path than exists today.

For a more detailed description of highway, transit, and bicycle and pedestrian improvements associated with the LPA, see Chapter 2 of the FEIS.

P-0589-004

Many different options for addressing the project's Purpose and Need were evaluated in a screening process prior to the development and evaluation of the alternatives in the DEIS. Options eliminated through the screening process included a new corridor crossing over the Columbia River (in addition to I-5 and I-205), an arterial crossing between Hayden Island and downtown Vancouver, a tunnel under the Columbia River, and various modes of transit other than light rail and bus rapid transit. Section 2.5 of the DEIS explains why a third corridor, arterial crossing of the Columbia River, and several transit modes evaluated in screening were dropped from further consideration because they did not meet the Purpose and Need. For a general description of the screening process see Chapter 2 (Section 2.7) of the FEIS. It should be noted that every proposal received from the public was considered, and many of the proposals that were dropped from further consideration included elements that helped shape the alternatives in the DEIS.

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One purpose of the project is to provide a safe, and somewhat uncongested, Interstate highway for freight movement. It is not possible, without excessive environmental impacts, to route interstate truck traffic through the community and off of the Interstate system.

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