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NOTE: DVD & Brochure of DMU attached with Weller/Secunda comments.

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1 DICK FLEMING: My name is Dick Fleming and I would  
2 like to encourage the new bridge replacement with light rail.

3 That's it.

4 HELEN FLEMING: My name is Helen Fleming and I agree.  
5 We both feel very strongly that light rail should be part of  
6 this whole situation of the new bridge replacement.

7 Thank you.

8 BILL PATTISON: I just want to say that I am  
9 staunchly in favor of a new bridge alignment with light rail  
10 because I have seen it here. I have seen it when I lived in  
11 Washington, D.C., and New York and how well it works. And I  
12 think if they take some of the cost benefits into  
13 consideration, it's going to be great.

14 I think that it's timely and that people who are  
15 stating against it need to wake up a little bit.

16 Thank you.

17 DAVID CURY: My name is David Cury and I live over in  
18 Vancouver, ZIP code 98685. I want to go on record in support  
19 of adding some sort of access across the river. I don't have a  
20 preference at this time. I'm just in favor of hoping to create  
21 a better access in the future.

22 Thank for you my time or thanks for the opportunity  
23 to give my time.

24 MICHELLE TWOROGER: Okay. I am just very delusioned  
25 and, I guess, partially irritated after reading the DEIS. The

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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 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.

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1 bridges and their estimation is that the true cost is going to  
2 be \$10 billion, not 4.3 or 3.8. It's more than twice as much  
3 as what they've being say here.

4 I believe 'em.

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7 (SPOKEN COMMENTS CONCLUDED.)

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