

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my disappointment with the current planned project of the CRC. I feel that it is deeply flawed and will permanently degradate the community of North Portland and perpetuate sprawl that is irresponsible and destructive to our current way of life. The bridge and its planned highway expansion will only encourage further urban sprawl to the north of the river, further subsidizing a high carbon lifestyle, and that will ultimately be a finanacial boondoggle that will greatly cripple our communities ability to pay public infrastructure projects that are meaningful to the overall population of Portland (Where the majority of highway construction is planned).

Countless studies have shown that further highway capacity ultimately leads to more traffic congestion. We, the citizens of Portland, do not need more suburban traffic idling in our neighborhoods, racing light to light to avoid the next highway traffic jam. This project is not right for our region.

Please begin tolling both interstate bridges now, and the need for a new bridge and massive highway expansion will be greatly reduced. The CRC or whatever its now labled, is not an option for our community in the 21st century

Thank you,

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Interested and Concernced Citizen