As a North Portland resident of the St.Johns neighborhood, I have experienced the problems of getting to our neighborhood when one of the transportation arteries closes and makes travel difficult. For example the St.John's Bridge has closed the west access twice in two years adding nearly an hour to my daily commute in and out of the neighborhood.

Another critical part of transportation and connection are the three bridges over the railroad cut which runs through St. John's. If the "big one" causes those bridges to collapse, we on the end of the peninsula will be cut off from all help, resources and getting to loved ones outside of St. John's. I cannot imagine the feeling of being so disconnected and alone; especially if we can be proactive and do something to reinforce these important bridges.

Please support funding bridge repair and reinforcement to keep our neighborhood safe.

We are counting on you,

Sincerely

Katrina Levin St. John's resident since 2000