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Hi, my name is Nicholas Fones. I was born within sight sound and smell of I-5, and after 76 years I live about an hour away from I-5 in Southern Oregon. My main concern is about any further hazards to the area from I-84 to Lombard. I have lived, played and worked in this area for decades. It became most evident to me how hazardous this highway is when I was teaching at Harriet Tubman Middle School. Every type of pollution, noise, vibration and odors was most obvious there. Reminded me of New York City. I do not want to see it widened or other typical ways of moving more traffic through there. A widened road becomes more polluting very quickly If only clean vehicles would be allowed .through, that would be a solution. Try to find new routes far out of the core area to cross the river. Either by tunneling, which requires less purchase of property, to diffuse the traffic. I am in favor of tolls or whatever fairly finances this for Oregon, Washington and the nation.

Thank you for your time,

Sincerely

Nicholas Fones.