



Hayden Bay Condominiums

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RE: TSP TESTIMONY: Hayden Island Plan 10-Year update

Dear Francesca,

Thank you and your colleagues for your responsiveness in addressing and alleviating our concerns regarding the bicycle-walking path on private property around Hayden Bay (where our homes are located) and to the east end of the island.

We currently understand however that the reclassification is still in place for the walking-biking path from The Waterside, past The Red Lion, under the I-5 Bridge, along the Columbia past the Manufactured Homes Community to Granny's Cove, south to the North Portland Harbor, and then back east through the Jantzen Beach Mall to the I5.

Many of our condo residents are active cyclists and appreciate all infrastructure that is carefully built to promote safe cycling in and around our city. If the proposal is to develop a biking path, we urge you to consider a number of factors that need be adequately addressed:

1. Cycling traffic coming to the end of the proposed path at the Waterside will likely ignore the fact that the path then narrows as it enters the private property around Hayden Bay. The path is very narrow and is hard pressed to accommodate just pedestrians and strollers, so bike traffic will sorely aggravate this situation. There are other concerns of liability should people be hurt by cyclists traversing our private path.
2. If the proposed 30ft-wide bicycle-walking path does loop around the manufactured homes property, due to its width, it may cut through dwelling units there. We understand that at least 112 families may be displaced as a result. Given the City's focus on offering affordable housing this is not a good strategy.
3. There is a great deal of concern that connecting the path up to the I5 will encourage more vagrant traffic. We have had increasing levels of vandalism and theft from the influx of vagrant encampments and the police have little capacity to address these incidents.

4. Appropriate measures have to be taken to manage the increased level of garbage left behind be increased levels of foot and bike traffic.
5. It appears out of sync to have a plan in progress that was predicted on the Columbia River Crossing project coming to fruition; that project never being approved.

We look forward to your considered deliberation on the plan that affects Hayden Island and its residents.

Sincerely,

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