



Washington State Legislature

Olympia

May 1, 2013

Board of Clark County Commissioners
PO Box 5000
Vancouver, WA 98666

Dear Commissioners:

As members of the Washington state legislature, it is our understanding that the Board is considering placing an advisory vote before the residents of Clark County to gauge citizen support for the Columbia River Crossing project.

We are legislators who represent southwest Washington and we want to strongly encourage you to place this question before county voters. It is our belief that it's important for area residents to demonstrate, via the ballot, their level of interest in moving forward with this project as it is currently proposed.

Many issues remain unanswered. They include the following:

- The proper clearance under the bridge
- Coast Guard approval of the proposed design
- The accuracy of the cost projections and possible overruns
- Proposed toll amounts
- The necessity of light rail
- Support for the ongoing operating costs associated with light rail
- Mitigation costs for the impacted businesses
- The possible loss of those businesses and the jobs they create

The results of an advisory vote will provide a greater level of clarity to the entire legislature on Clark County's support for light rail as well as the proposed new bridge.

We look forward to working with you on the best outcome for Clark County and the State of Washington.

Sincerely,



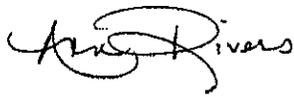
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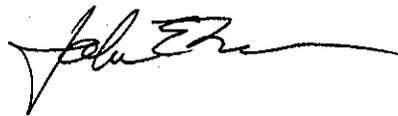
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