

## Schroader, Kathy

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**From:** LaRocque, Linnea  
**Sent:** Monday, May 23, 2016 4 22 PM  
**To:** Schroader, Kathy  
**Subject:** FW Write Your Councilor



Just in case, but I think you already have this Kathy?

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**Subject:** FW: Write Your Councilor

For the record  
Jeanne Stewart

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Subject "crossing"  
Message  
Hello all --

I am sending this to all of you, with the hopes that it plants the concept as an alternative in your minds for getting to the other side of the Columbia River  
As much as I have considered the idea of a crossing to the east, and/or even one to the Northwest (that could take all those Intel/Nike people closer to their destination)  
I often watch the Northwestern Washington news on channel 49 because we just do not get 'real' Washington news from the Portland stations While watching we often see 'Bertha' the tunneling machine that is going under Seattle and replacing the SR99 mess there  
Having been in the Chunnel (Eng/Fr) and being much amazed by it It had never occurred to me that regular cities or states could do this It just seemed that this was a task so big that only Countries undertake it But seeing that our own WADOT is doing this doing this, and now apparently trained to do it well Why don't we see about the feasibility of them hauling that thing down here when they are done -- they already have people trained to do at WADOT Our stretch is relatively short compared to theirs  
We have no control with Oregon -- but they seem to always love the latest and greatest They could pop up somewhere near the Expo Maybe they could drill clear past the Rose Garden and keep their old freeway for intercity commerce  
I think we could keep the old bridge, it will look great with our new waterfront People who still want to go to

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Hayden Island and Delta Park could use it

We could start this kind of thing way out of town, or fairly close in - depending on what gets torn down for access

During construction I 5 would be less messy than with other solutions river crossing solutions. In some ways it would be untouched until the new one is opened. I am sure at some point it would be messy. Detours to I-205 would be necessary for interstate travel, so 205 would be messy. But, you can't make omelets without a few broken eggs, as they say -- so's the price of progress

By the way, one of the complaints about the I-5 Bridge that I hear is that it is the last draw bridge on the whole Interstate System. Simple solution is to make 205 into I-5. They are just names by the way. There must be an interstate money source available to primary Interstates that is not available to secondary ones, right? (I am not being cynical)

Here is a link to the WSDOT site <http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/Projects/Viaduct/>

We are in better physical situation here than they are. They however do not have to deal with another state and the national government to do this. But I think this is a real solution -- if not now, sometime in the future. (I don't know how Portland would do it without going underground)

I know you are all busy, but I would love any feedback on this that you have

Sincerely,

V, Louise Feddema, Sifton/Orchards/Vancouver