

Bryan Colbourne - Fwd: Opposition to Proposed UGB Amendment

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TO: Salem/Keizer Area Local Officials

FROM: Cindy Culpovich, West Salem Resident

I am writing to express my serious concerns regarding the proposed UGB Amendment as it relates to the Salem River Crossing. There have been many who have spoken intelligently and addressed the issues that make this project impractical and unrealistic.

Here are my concerns/objections:

1. The first objection I have to building another bridge is that WE DO NOT NEED IT!! I live in West Salem and cross both bridges sometimes numerous times per day due to my job as a freelance sign language interpreter. There is rarely a time when it takes more than a few minutes to get over either bridge.
2. The congestion that happens downtown during evening rush hour could be mitigated by other means.
3. The recommendations in the 1998 Bridge Engineering study for increasing bridge capacity (as much as 50% increase!) and for seismic upgrades were not carried out. This should be done before even considering another bridge.
4. There is no money to pay for it!

Thank you for your consideration. I truly hope that the opinions of the people really do count and that the "powers that be" will not continue to steamroll over the dissenters.

Cindy Culpovich