

Magnolia Bridge Replacement Project Speakers Bureau

Group/Organization: Interbay P-Patch
Date: October 21, 2003
Location: Interbay P-Patch, 15th Avenue W
Team Members: Kirk Jones, Hadley Greene

Overview

Kirk Jones gave a brief overview of the project's progress including recent milestones and descriptions of the three alternatives being studied in the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). He discussed the pros and cons associated with each alternative and briefly described how traffic would use the three (or four with H) bridges into Magnolia. Kirk discussed the current alignment of Alternative H and how it could impact the P-Patch and traffic on 15th Ave W. Four P-Patch members attended the briefing.

Notes

Questions or comments raised by P-Patch members:

- When will the surface road through the Port's property be built?
- What is the purpose of the surface road?
- Does Alternative A connect to the same location on the west end as the existing bridge?
- What will the impact be on the wetland along the Wheeler St right-of-way if Alternative H is chosen? Will they be paved over or taken out?
- What studies and testing have been done to see where bridge pilings should be located? (Attendee mentioned seeing workers drilling in the study area)
- Who make the final decision about what alternative will be built?
- Will the Draft EIS recommend a preferred alternative?
- How can traffic be estimated without knowing the Port's plans?
- What would happen to the blackberry bushes on the southern bank of the P-Patch property? They currently serve as food for bees at the P-Patch's six beehives.
- In Alternative H, where would the aerial structure begin in relation to the P-Patch property?
- What feedback has the project heard from residents around Halladay Street and in central Magnolia?
- Will the discipline reports be posted on the web?

Briefing Materials

- 3 Alternatives handout
- Traffic model handout
- Project schedule