

From: Anderson, Carrie [<mailto:CANDERSO@KORRY.com>]  
Sent: Tuesday, September 12, 2006 3:16 PM  
To: Allison Ray  
Subject: I-405

I do not know if these comments go to you. If not maybe you can pass them on to whoever is handling them...

The new gas tax for road construction is great, only if we are adding more roads.  
Making pretty walls for sound does not help the flow of traffic.

Adding transit stops does not help the flow of traffic.

The only way possible is to add more lanes.

It's hard to tell if more lanes will be added to the general flow on I-405.

There is so much land on both sides you can get at least one more lane. Is there going to be more lanes?

If not and someone tries to get this gas tax upheld and cancelled so the voters get to vote again, I'm voting against it next time.

I'm also for adding more lanes to 520.

Thank you for your time

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**From:** Julie Bennett [mailto:[europeanjulie@yahoo.com](mailto:europeanjulie@yahoo.com)]  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 17, 2006 1:31 PM  
**To:** Allison Ray  
**Subject:** Bedside Manor

Ms. Ray,

My name is Julie Bennett (formerly Brugman) and I am writing in reference to the property located at 11122 NE 132nd St, Kirkland, WA. This is a very special place for my family and for the many others who have gathered there for generations. I have many fond memories from childhood of playing in the fields, catching butterflies with my sister and cousins, picking berries and spending time with my elder relatives. It would be a terrible tragedy if I and my family were unable to bring the next generation to this wonderful place for reunions. Please consider another site for the retention project you are planning so that my children and my children's children will be able to continue to enjoy this farm, this home, and make memories of their own.

Sincerely,

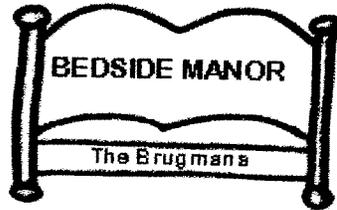
Julie (Brugman) Bennett  
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From: Brian Brugman [<mailto:brugman@gmail.com>]  
Sent: Wednesday, October 04, 2006 12:13 PM  
To: Allison Ray  
Subject: Bedside Manor

Dear Ms. Allison Ray,

I have enclosed an electronic version of a letter sent to your office on the 26th of September regarding the proposed water retention pond on the present location of Bedside Manor, 11122 NE 132nd Street, Kirkland. I have been out of town and have just come back to find the letter returned to me, damaged by the post office in handling. I understand that the current date is past the original deadline for comments regarding this case; however as the original letter was postmarked before the deadline I hope your office can include this comment in the record.

Sincerely,  
Brian Brugman



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URBAN CORRIDORS OFFICE

Bedside Manor  
11122 NE 132nd Street  
Kirkland, WA 98034

September 17, 2006

Allison Ray  
WSDOT  
600 108th Ave NE  
Suite 405  
Bellevue, WA 98004-9800

Dear Allison Ray,

For the past 20 years realtors have frequently knocked on our door, called on the phone, or written us hoping to interest us in selling our property for development. We know that it is worth a lot of money, but we have had not the slightest desire to see this land developed. The true value of Bedside Manor is its meaning to our family, not its monetary worth.

Our family roots go deep here, as deep as the roots of the old trees that surround our house. My husband's great-grandmother owned the property across the street; his grandfather built this house, in part with his own hands. They hosted multitudes of picnics for family and beekeepers, medical colleagues and berry growers. Their eight grandchildren spent every summer vacation roaming the fields, picking berries, riding the horse, sleeping in the barn. Our son took his first steps in the living room of "The Farm". We cared for our grandparents here, and here they died. Our children grew up in this house. We have hosted weddings and birthdays, Thanksgivings, and Christmas. Every New Years' Eve we and our friends ring the bell in our belfry. Four generations of Brugmans have lived here, gathered here, celebrated here, mourned here. The fifth generation is now being born. It is for them, too. Our intention since acquiring Bedside Manor in 1986 has been to keep it available to those who care about it so much.

The land itself still reflects The Farm as it was. Grandmother Brugman spent nearly 40 years developing our garden while her husband planted, grafted, and managed the orchard. My husband and I have spent the subsequent 20 years

caring for and adding to it. Every year as the seasons pass the bulbs Grandmother planted come up; her azaleas, lilacs, and rhododendrons bloom. In the summer and fall I harvest the grapes, the apples, and the plums from Pappy's orchard to make jam for family and friends. We spend many hours every year caring for this land: mowing, raking, weeding, pruning, planting, harvesting, and watering. It is a gift from our grandparents that we have held for our children.

Ironically, because we have lived out our deeply-held values of heritage, continuity, and preservation, our property is vulnerable now that the DOT is looking for an "empty" space to put a retention pond. Had we covered this land with houses it would not be so attractive.

There are few, if any, properties in the Juanita/Kirkland area that are occupied by the fourth generation of a family. There are few that are the focal point for a family's history. This is a place that cannot be replaced or recaptured once it is dismantled, bulldozed, and destroyed. The house and the garden are unique and irreplaceable.

I urge the DOT to select another property for the retention pond you need, a place that is not so deeply revered by our family, our friends, and our neighbors.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Christina Brugman". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

Christina Brugman

From: Gretchen Brugman [<mailto:gbrugman@hotmail.com>]  
Sent: Tuesday, September 26, 2006 10:03 PM  
To: Allison Ray  
Subject: 11122 NE 132nd St (I-405 expansion project)

Ms. Allison Ray  
WSDOT  
600 108th Ave NE  
Suite 405  
Bellevue, WA 98004-9800

September 26, 2006

Dear Ms. Ray,

I am writing to you in regards to the I-405 expansion project, and specifically the property of Bedside Manor, located at 11122 NE 132nd St. Bedside Manor is proposed as an option in this project for the location of a storm water retention pond. When I first learned that this property, known to me since my childhood as "the farm," might be condemned as part of a freeway widening project I was devastated. I write this letter in the hopes that you will consider another location for this pond.

I began visiting the farm yearly on summer vacations with my family almost from the day I was born, although my first memories are from around 1977 when I was 3. My parents, Joe and Rae Brugman, and my sister Laura and I always included a stop at the farm on our trips, where we would gather with cousins, aunts, uncles, grand-parents and great-grand-parents. Typically the kids would be sent off to pick boysenberries for a day, and upon our return we could expect an assembly line of jam making to commence. It was messy, and it was fun! The farm has been the site of many huge family picnics, where we spent time with distant family whom we might not see until the following summer at the farm. After I graduated from college I visited the farm with friends, and after getting married I visited the farm with my husband. I would like the chance to one day bring my own children to gather with their family at the farm.

My great grand parents, known to me as Grandmother and Pappy, built the home and buildings at Bedside Manor themselves in the 1940's. Pappy had to mill his own wood from trees on the property, due to shortages during the war. Since that time it has been a place for generations of the family to gather. This property is truly unique, rooted in history, and cherished by so many people. In today's world of strip malls, parking lots and cookie cutter suburban developments, it is so important to recognize the value of a property like this, not only to those who live there and visit, but also to people in the surrounding community. Please make the effort to save this piece of local heritage.

Sincerely,  
Ms. Gretchen Brugman  
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**From:** Joseph Brugman [mailto:JBrugman@pacbell.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 18, 2006 11:03 PM  
**To:** Allison Ray  
**Subject:** Bedside Manor; 11122 N.E. 132nd Street, Kirkland WA 98034

Before Kingsgate and Totem Lake there was Bedside Manor.  
Before "development" of the east side of Lake Washington there was Bedside Manor.  
When Juanita, Kirkland and Seattle were small town and cities there was Bedside Manor.

I was born in Seattle but have lived most of my life in Orange County, California. I understand rampant development. You can have "Orange County North" or let some part of your heritage live. Save Bedside Manor.

Joseph Brugman  
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**From:** Rae Brugman [mailto:RBrugman@pacbell.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 26, 2006 7:33 AM  
**To:** Allison Ray  
**Subject:** Save Bedside Manor

Dear Ms Ray,

I am writing regarding the Brugman property, 11122 NE 132nd St., Kirkland, also known as Bedside Manor. For forty years I have been privileged to be a guest at many large gatherings of family, friends and community and a guest at the Manor both when my husband's grandparents, who founded Bedside Manor, were alive and a guest of the current owners, Barry and Christina Brugman. My appreciation for the historical, social and esthetic value of the property and its buildings has continued to grow. Dr. Joseph and Lelia Brugman had a vision of the land as a home for their later years and as a gathering place for not only family but other groups such as the beekeepers and the doctors and nurses of Columbus Hospital. Because lumber was in short supply at that time they erected a sawmill on the property to use the trees as lumber for the house. Today you can walk on floors that were once trees on the property.

As I have watched the area change I appreciate what a treat it is to view the open space and unique buildings of the property compared to the modern and dense building around it. For many years when the "free plums" sign went up people stopped not only to pick plums from the prolific trees but to assuage their long-held curiosity about this special place. "What is it?" they have wondered. "Why is it so different from the properties around it?" As they picked their plums they visited with Barry or Christina and had all their questions graciously answered.

When Joe and Lelia passed on Barry and Christina acquired Bedside Manor in order to maintain its character as an oasis in a desert of building sameness. They have done a marvelous job and it is a pleasure for the extended family and others in the community to come here. They are

gracious conservators of **a local historic gem that should not be demolished for a freeway runoff pond!**

Sincerely,  
Rae Brugman, 11041 Limetree Dr., Santa Ana, CA 92705  
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**From:** Rick1gfc@aol.com [mailto:Rick1gfc@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 27, 2006 2:40 PM  
**To:** Allison Ray  
**Subject:** 11122 NE 132nd St, Kirkland

Allison,

I'm writing to give my input on the retention pond at the Brugman property. I feel that a Retention Pond in a family neighborhood is an inappropriate location to begin with. The pond should be located nearer the Freeway not a quarter mile away. The people who bought and developed next to the Freeway must have known there would be a future impact. I also hate to see my family and Kirkland's heritage impacted in this way.

Thank You for your time  
Rick Brugman

**From:** Suzanne [mailto:suzbrug@charter.net]  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 16, 2006 6:00 PM  
**To:** Allison Ray  
**Cc:** CEbrug@aol.com; suzbrug@charter.net  
**Subject:** property at 11122 NE 132nd St, Kirkland

Dear Ms Ray,

You are considering the property at 11122 NE 132<sup>nd</sup> St, Kirkland for a retention pond. This property, known as "bedside manor" or "the farm", has been in my family since WWII. My dad was the elder son of the original owners, Joe and Lelia Brugman. Bedside manor was like a second home as we spent every summer there. As children, we chased cows around the back fields, carved canoes to float on the pond, watch pappy cut down trees for the winter's wood pile, picked wild berries and helped can them, made crowns of wild flowers... My generation, that of the present owners, grew up at bedside manor. Picture #2 shows me and my girl cousins from several families, circ early 1960s. Picture #3 shows girls of three families of the next generation, circ late 1970s. These girls are now grown, and assumed they would be able to bring their children to the place where they spent many wonderful summers as a child; summers of discovery in nature, each other, and self that just isn't possible in the city.

This place lives in the hearts of the children, grand children, and great-grand children of Joe Brugman and his brothers. It is the family home for gatherings of the entire Brugman clan. We already have plans for the family reunion at bedside manor for August 4, 2007, the 106<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Lelia Brugman's birth. We hope these annual reunions will continue for many more generations. We don't want to gather around a retention pond and remember what was.

Picture #1 shows brother Frank Brugman, Joe Brugman, Mabel (Frank's wife), and Lelia Brugman with a view towards the back fields between the creek and pond, circ 1960.





Please look at the other sites for your retention pond, sites that do not live in the hearts of a family.

Sincerely,  
Suzanne Brugman  
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From: Tom Brugman [<mailto:tbrugman@wavecable.com>]  
Sent: Tuesday, September 19, 2006 9:56 PM  
To: Allison Ray  
Subject: Bedside Manor

Dear Ms. Ray,

Please find the attached letter I would like to submit on behalf of Barry and Christina Brugman for the preservation of Bedside Manor.  
If you have any questions for me, please do not hesitate to return e-mail to this address.

Tom Brugman

**From:** William Canniff [mailto:[jankan851293@msn.com](mailto:jankan851293@msn.com)]  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 16, 2006 1:09 PM  
**To:** Allison Ray  
**Subject:** Re: Bedside Manor - 11122 NE 132nd St., Kirkland

Hello, My husband and I would like to go on record opposing the State taking the above addressed property for a water retention pond. It saddens me to think that the State can do this to my most favorite piece of property -- a place of refuge and peace in this stressful world. We are both really upset by the State's actions and are not sympathetic to those actions. Bedside Manor means a lot to many of us who have enjoyed visits there in the peaceful setting in the middle of the city. I go there once a week and absolutely love it for just a chance to get away.

It makes us upset that the State can look the other way as to what this property means to many of us. We were heartsick when we first heard of the State's actions. We pay taxes, we vote -- do we not get a vote in this action? Find someplace else for your water retention pond that doesn't have the impact on our lives that this beloved place of peace has. Maybe it's hard to understand an emotional attachment to a place, but Bedside Manor carries so much history and emotional attachment to many of us that we grieve it's potential loss to us. Please decide to keep Bedside Manor intact and find another place for your project.

Sincerely,

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Medina WA 98039

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To: Allison Ray  
WSDOT

600-108th Ave. N.E., Suite 405  
Bellevue, WA. 98004-9800

Fm: <sup>PBD</sup> Paul B. Demetriades

Re: Comments on I-405, SR-520 to I-5 (Lynnwood)  
Improvement Project.

I have reviewed WSDOT provided materials from the 9-14-06, public scoping meeting & offer the following comments:

1. WSDOT/FHA should prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) per NEPA/SEPA, for the proposed project. Is an EA being prepared?

2. It's not clear whether there is a selected ("preferred" alternative (does it provide widening I-405 by up to 2 lanes in each direction thru its 30 mile length? Number of general purpose & HOV lanes? Is the I-405 HOT lane - Bellevue to Lynnwood the only option? Is bus rapid transit an option?

3. What consideration has been given to increased polluted stormwater runoff from additional paved lanes? Current environmental requirements require storage/treatment of stormwater runoff. Are holding ponds, containment vaults, wetlands planned? If so, location - public right-of-way/private property?



4. Has WSDOT/FHA reviewed the <sup>P284</sup> WRIA 8 watershed (Lake WA/Lake Sammamish) Plan for salmon recovery, and planned improvement Plan actions for protection/enhancement of salmon & fish habitat?
5. Previously, WSDOT announced a 3.5 mile I-405 noise reduction/quiet pavement pilot project test (KCS-5-30-06) in 2007. The I-405 Improvement Project should plan to deploy quiet (asphalt) pavement. Note enclosed charts from recent WSDOT presentation to Medina City Council. Also note, state legislator's letter, 5-24-06, to Gov. Gregoire that outlines community highway noise concerns and endorses quiet pavement for highway adjacent neighborhoods.
6. Since electronic toll collection system is planned for proposed HOT lane users, WSDOT must ensure user/toll-payer personal privacy protection, from potential identity theft ("opt-out", e.g.). What is plan? What is the WSDOT estimate for HOT lane tolls? Is a I-405 project HOT lane toll public vote planned for the 2007 RTID vote?
7. What additional Transportation Demand Management (public/private employers) policies are required for success of this I-405 improvement project?



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8. Recently, Sound Transit / KC Metro conducted several transit user polls (April & Sept. 2006) & public meetings. Were these results factored into current WSDOT I-405 Project plans - if so - how?
9. The SR520 project recently completed an SR520 Corridor Aesthetic Handbook - are similar design principles being applied to the I-405 project? Are LEED environmentally design principles being applied? How. see enclosed WSDOT SR520 letter re: LEED applications.
10. Re: I-405 HOT lanes - what provisions have been made to prevent/limit re-routing of HAZMAT / flammable liquid tankers from I-90 to I-405, while the I-90 tunnels are closed for maintenance (14% or 50 days per year). Has WSDOT met its statutory commitments to public safety? U.S. Code & Federal Regulations, Title 49, Transportation, Part 397 establish requirements for public notification re: flammable route designations. Are state/local HAZMAT accident response plans ready for an I-405 HAZMAT catastrophic accident? Note Seattle P.F. report on Rochester, NY HAZMAT incident 11.



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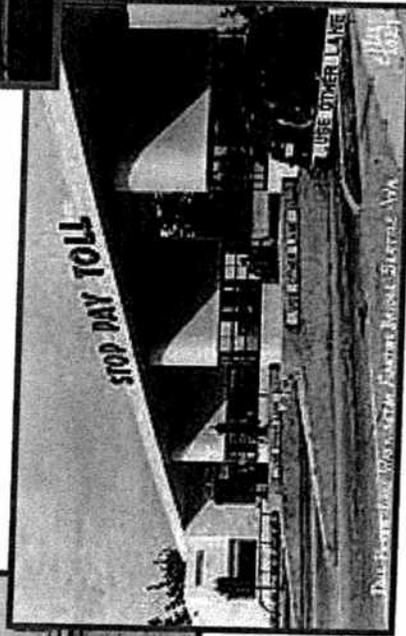
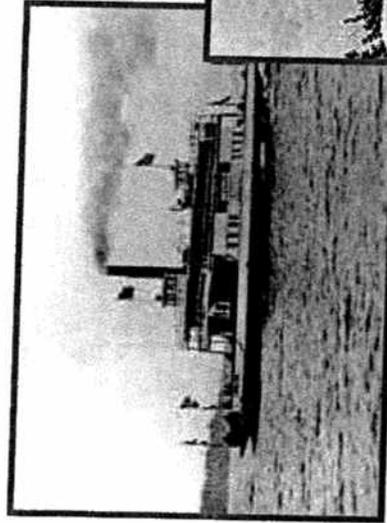
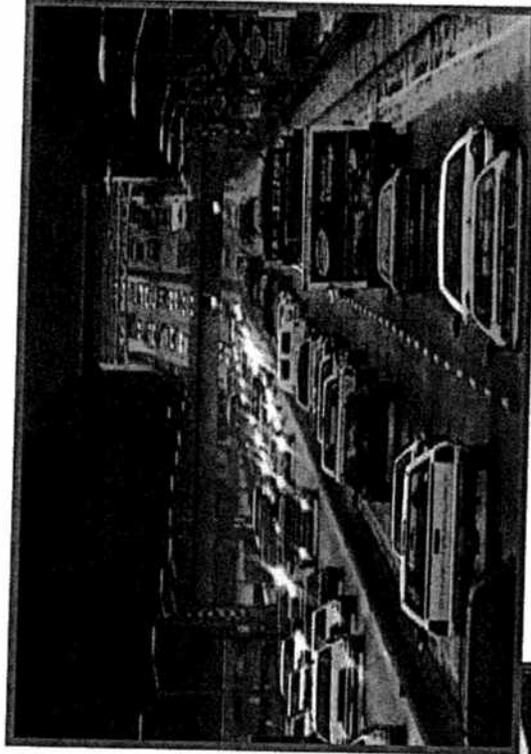
11. Finally, the recent report (Reo.1, 09-01-06) of the Governor's Expert Review Panel (SR520 & Alaskan Way viaduct) raise concerns on "mega-project" inflation forecasting rates - too low! What actions has the WSDOT project team on I-405 taken to prevent an overly optimistic project cost - thereby insuring overruns?

Thanks for the opportunity to comment.

Enclosures(4)

# SR 520 Bridge Replacement and HOV Project

## DEIS Summary Presentation



### City of Medina Briefing

July 24, 2006

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.



Washington State  
Department of Transportation

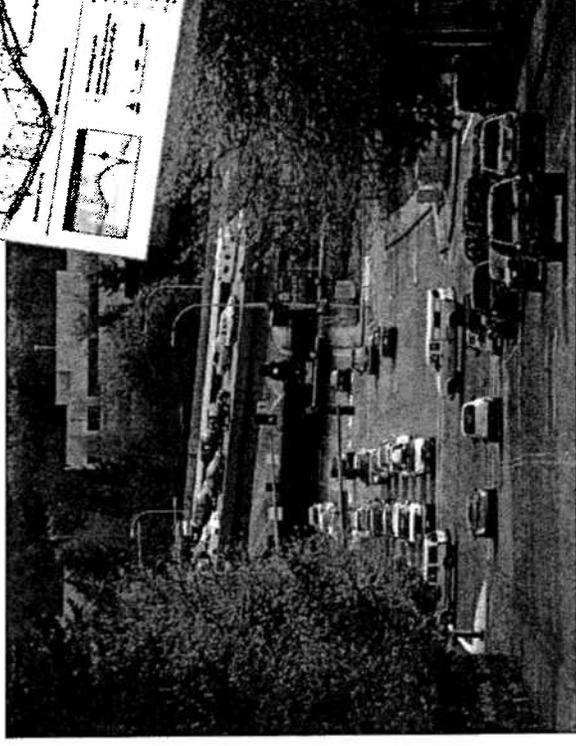
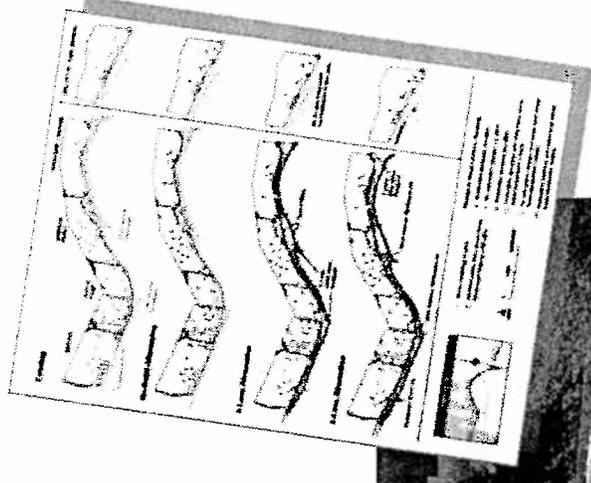


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Federal Highway Administration

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# Noise - Understanding the Analysis

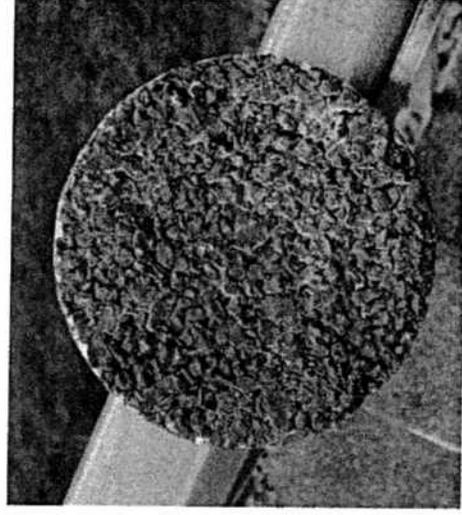
- DEIS assumes worst case noise – peak period traffic volumes moving at posted speed
- Analysis assumes that sound walls are an integral part of the project
- Why can't we reduce noise levels to below abatement criteria for every residence?
  - High on hill above highway
  - Adjacent to noisy local streets
- Pilot planned for quiet pavement in 2007



# Noise - Quieter Pavements

WSDOT has heard from residents and legislators that transportation projects need to include neighborhood improvements, particularly regarding noise, to avoid adverse effects.

- Project corridor residents have requested that SR 520 use quieter pavement when rebuilt
- WSDOT will conduct a quieter pavement test site on SR 520 in the Eastside starting in 2007
- WSDOT installing 8-mile quieter pavement test site on I-5 in Lynnwood by August 2006
- Federal approval required before quieter pavement can be used as noise mitigation in environmental documents



Sample of  
quieter  
pavement.

## What are quieter pavements?

Quieter pavements help reduce the noise created as a tire rolls along the pavement surface, as compared to traditional pavements. Noise reduction primarily results from the type of surface texture used in the pavement.

May 24, 2006

The Honorable Christine Gregoire  
Office of the Governor  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Legislative Bldg.  
Olympia, WA 98504

Dear Governor Gregoire:

In the last few months, we have been contacted by a number of constituents representing several of the neighborhoods along the I-405, I-90 and SR-520 corridors regarding the impacts of these highways on their neighborhoods. We write you not only because we believe their concerns have merit, but also because we believe their concerns provide an opportunity to build a broader coalition supporting additional investments in transportation infrastructure.

The concerns relate to the noise impacts of highways and specific choices about alignment and mitigation of the planned improvements on the Eastside. As you know, several neighborhoods have been meeting with the WA State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) and encouraging the use of rubberized asphalt or quiet pavement to reduce the noise impacts of both existing and planned highways. WSDOT continues to study quiet pavement technologies and plans several pilots of these technologies.

Additionally, neighborhoods are being exposed to the specific designs of improvements under the Nickel Package and Transportation Partnership Package on the Eastside, improvements which will have significant impacts on their homes and neighborhoods.

We believe it is inappropriate for individual neighborhoods to suffer the impacts of major public infrastructure investments while the remainder of the community reaps the benefits of improved mobility and economic activity. The standard for both environmental and neighborhood protection should be that the state's investments in transportation corridors should not only improve mobility but should also improve the environment and neighborhoods the corridor runs through.

Additionally, we believe this standard will be necessary for a successful campaign to invest in regional transportation improvements in 2007. Indeed, the development of such a standard could provide incentives for neighborhoods to support, rather than oppose, these needed investments.

May 24, 2006

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We would ask that the Department of Transportation evaluate, quickly, additional measures such as a lower and more rigorous noise standard for neighborhoods fronting highways, accelerated pilots of quiet pavement specifically located in neighborhoods around planned investments to generate support, rather than opposition, to the investments, and other approaches to improving the quality of life of our transportation systems neighbors.

We understand the concern often raised about the costs of mitigation. But these costs are real and it isn't appropriate for them to be born entirely by neighbors of the system. More importantly, it isn't in anyone's interest to repeat the experiences of the 1950s and 1960s interstate highway system construction where some freeways were built quickly and cheaply at the cost of delaying or stopping entirely other needed projects.

We look forward to working with you and the Department to assure our success in 2007 and beyond.

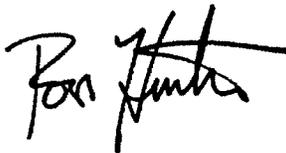
Sincerely,



Judy Clibborn  
Representative, 41<sup>st</sup> District



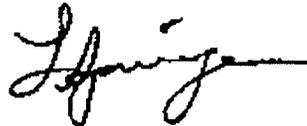
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Representative, 48<sup>th</sup> District



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Representative, 45<sup>th</sup> District

Toby Nixon  
Representative, 45<sup>th</sup> District

cc: Doug MacDonald  
Senator Haugen  
Senator Benson  
Rep. Murray  
Rep. Woods



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July 19, 2006

Paul Demitriades  
2254 Evergreen Rt. Road  
Medina, WA 98039

Dear Mr. Demitriades,

I received your fax dated July 4, 2006 regarding a request to include a discussion on the LEED program in the final SR 520 Project Corridor Aesthetics Handbook. I agree it is valuable to summarize the DAG's discussion on LEED and its relevancy to the SR 520 Project, so we will include such a summary in the handbook. We will add a summary of the March 16<sup>th</sup> LEED discussion to the notes for that work session in Appendix B.

Appendix B provides a summary of each of the six DAG meetings including meeting purpose, an outline of the evening's agenda, and a summary of the work session's results and products. We will also include the web address for LEED in Appendix B, so interested parties can easily access additional information on LEED if they so desire.

As we discussed at our second meeting on March 16<sup>th</sup>, LEED is currently designed to rate buildings, not engineering projects, although several principles that are the basis of LEED are related to roadway projects. LEED is not concerned with aesthetics or architectural style. However, the intent of LEED can and will be applied to SR 520 in the following ways:

- Stormwater treatment on bridge columns
- Environmental Procedures Manual – best practices including waste management
- Native plantings and integrated vegetation management
- Use of recycled materials in asphalt and concrete
- WSDOT Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee
- Water quality sampling during and after construction
- Certification in erosion control procedures
- Habitat protection and enhancement

Paul Demetriades  
July 18, 2006  
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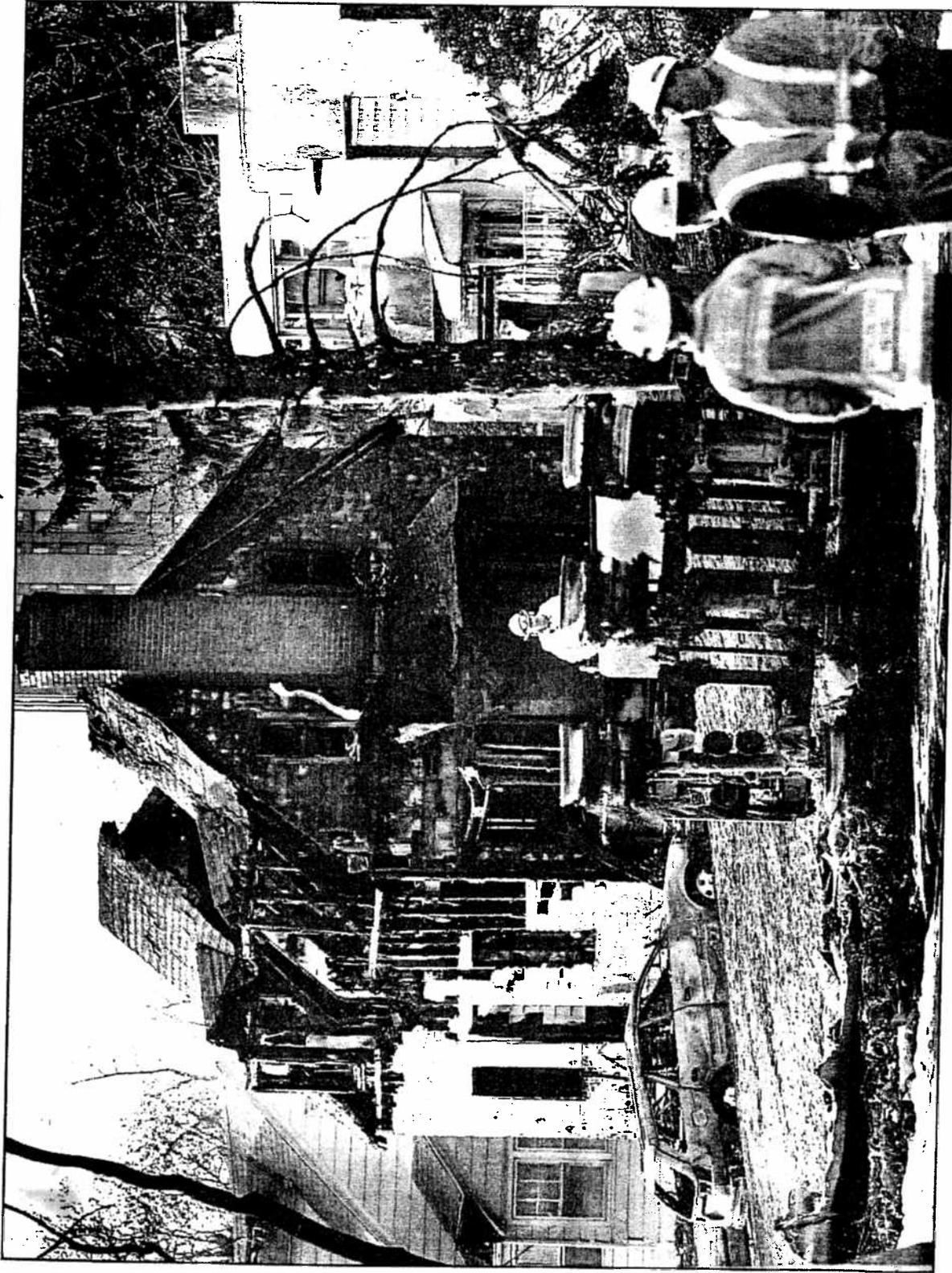
We hope these changes will adequately address your concerns. We appreciate your thorough review of the Corridor Aesthetics Handbook and your commitment to making this process a success. The project team is looking forward to the Medina City Council Meeting on July 24<sup>th</sup>. See you there!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Julie Meredith". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name and title.

Julie Meredith, P.E.  
SR 520 Project, Deputy Project Director

# GAS TRUCK EXPLODES; ONE DEAD



Seattle P.I. 4-30-03

ICAWJ JH

A gasoline tank truck crashed at a city intersection in Rochester, N.Y., early yesterday, spilling hundreds of gallons of fuel and igniting a fireball that destroyed one home, killed one person and injured 11 others, authorities said. The two-story house that was destroyed, center, is where the body was found. "All I could see was fire - flames 150, 200 feet high - and I thought 'Holy crapes, the world is coming to an end,'" said neighborhood resident Donald Quetschenh...

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**From:** CEbrug@aol.com [mailto:CEbrug@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 21, 2006 11:16 AM  
**To:** Allison Ray  
**Subject:** Bedside Manor

Ms Ray, I am forwarding this letter from our aunt and uncle. They were having trouble with their computer and asked me to send it on. You can respond to them at [d.ebert@comcast.net](mailto:d.ebert@comcast.net).  
Thanks, Christina Brugman

Dear Ms Ray,

I am Daniel R. Ebert, married to Dolores Vigil Ebert, 9/13/47, 4 children.

My sister is Marion Brugman, widow of William Brugman,(son of Dr. Joe Brugman who originally purchased this Kirkland property), 4 children,

My other sister is Eleanor Eckman, deceased, 6 children.

Dr. Joe did not like city dwelling and so purchased 100 acres around 1945, starting the plans for a family farm and farm house. The lumber for the house came from this very property. Years later the property was split by I-405, and the East property was sold, forming Kingsgate and then the surrounding property was sold for housing development and the Fire Dept. What was left was the family home, milk house and barn.

The original children are all grown now but grandchildren are following in the joys their parents found here.

The property has been used by the extended Brugman family for large yearly family gatherings, apple picking and cider making, sleep-over for children in the barn and a place for out-of-town family guests. Mrs Brugman has shared her prize flowers with all the family. The children learned to look, but not touch, bee supers. Wild blackberries were picked yearly for pies and jellies. Trips to the pond for adventure hikes.

This extended family has always felt the Brugman farm was a place free for them to come to enjoy family and the wide open spaces.

Taking it away would take memories and dreams for future generations that Dr Joe wanted to leave his family.

Daniel and Dolores Ebert

**From:** debert/David Ebert (US/CCLA/SEA) [mailto:debert@COSCO-USA.COM]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 20, 2006 3:06 PM  
**To:** Allison Ray  
**Subject:** Bedside Manor

Dear Ms. Ray

I was most disheartened to learn that the WSDOT is planning to reduce Bedside Manor to a retention pond. I have been visiting the Bedside Manor for nearly 50 years and have many fond memories of the place.

This has been a meeting place for our extended family and as such has been a place that has sustained a strong, multi-generational family bond. In today's day and age this is a rare commodity. One which one would think have more value than the existence of a retention pond.

From a historical perspective, I believe the community would lose much more than they would gain from the proposed use of this property by the state. It is a last vestige of what the area looked like prior to the arrival of the era of subdivisions. Future generations would have to rely on verbal history or fading pictures to experience this history.

Because of the above stated reasons, I would strongly request that other options be actively explored and one of those chosen for the retention pond. It would be a shame to lose the Bedside Manor because this option was the most expeditious.

Regards,

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**From:** Eby Margaret [mailto:Margaret.Eby@lwtc.edu]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 11, 2006 1:04 PM  
**To:** Allison Ray  
**Subject:** I405 project

I just read through the email that was sent out and visited the DOT site to read more about the I405 project. Overall, it sounds great. My only concern is that the road work will make the commute through the bothell area even worse than it is. If you run it as smoothly as you've done the totem lake area, it should be ok. Is there a sketch available that we can look at to see how you plan to change the 160<sup>th</sup> ramps?

Re: HOT lanes. Although I jealously watch the car pools zipping by I don't like the idea of the HOT lanes. When traffic is really bad, even the car pool lanes are slower. If you allow more drivers to use the lanes, then the car pool lanes will slow down even more. The whole point is to encourage more drivers to car pool. If they can get the advantage of the HOV lanes by paying a bit more there will be little incentive to car pool. I also think that it'll be much harder to spot abusers and we'll end up with a lot of non-paying people using the lanes. Frankly, I think it's just a bad idea.

**From:** BruSeck@aol.com [mailto:BruSeck@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 27, 2006 1:32 PM  
**To:** Allison Ray  
**Subject:** email copy of letter posted today re: 11122 NE 132nd St, Kirkland

September 27, 2006

**Allison Ray**  
WSDOT  
600 108th Ave. N.E.  
Suite 405  
Bellevue, WA 98004-9800

Re: Bedside Manor, 11122 NE 132nd St, Kirkland

Dear Allison Ray:

More than 50 years ago, the above referenced property consisted of significant acreage that was enjoyed and used by several generations and branches of a close but sprawling family. As a member of that large family, I remember my concern for "the Farm" when most of its existing acreage was sold off due to increasing demand in the area for development and higher property taxes. I, as well as others, were very pleased to learn that a large parcel surrounding the house was able to be retained by Dr. Brugman, such that the original property would still retain its character, and thereby its special meaning within the family and neighborhood. It was also considered fortuitous by members of our extended family when the grandson of Dr. Brugman (my cousin, Barry Brugman and his family) recognized the importance of this family and neighborhood legacy and was able to step forward to purchase the farm from Dr. Brugman's heirs. Barry and Christina Brugman then proceeded to restore the property such that it would be preserved and enjoyed into the future by their immediate family, friends, neighbors, and other family members.

Today, it appears that continued demand for surrounding development is again proving to threaten the existence of this unique and treasured home-site. After having already accommodated much of that development by significant parceling of its original land area, Bedside Manor is in danger of a final sacrifice. As is generally understood within every community, Kirkland's tangible links to its historic past are essential components for its societal health and welfare. Whereas the legitimacy of public purpose is not being questioned, what is suggested here is that a solution that accommodates both the needed public purpose of a retention pond as well as the important community need to preserve an important vestige of the original neighborhood is also in the best interest of the community.

It is my sincere hope that a solution can be found whereby both the important public purpose of establishing a retention pond can coexist with the modest but equally important 'public purpose' of preserving an already-established "Bedside-Manor" that also maintains a broad benefit to the community.

Sincerely,

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**From:** Dave and Jan [mailto:daveandjan@svbaraka.com]  
**Sent:** Sat 9/23/2006 9:29 PM  
**To:** Allison Ray  
**Subject:** Bedside Manor

Dear Ms Ray,

I have been following Barry and Christina Brugman's saga of their fight to preserve Bedside Manor, 11122 NE 132nd St, Kirkland, and wanted to lend my voice in their support.

I am 57 years old and can't recall a summer we didn't visit the farm. Each summer, at the family picnic, there would be a portrait of all the Brugman, Ebert and Eckmann cousins on the front porch of the old farmhouse. We knew Grandpappy had logged and milled the trees on his land to build the house and outbuildings. From our own home in Seattle we drove a long distance into the country (at the time) to get to Bedside Manor. Today the land around it is completely changed as 405 and Totem Lake were developed. But as a child, this was a magical and special place, a real working farm with cows, pigs, horses, and chickens. When I was 7, I lost a new patent leather shoe in a cowpie on the farm. When I was 9 I had my first horseback ride there. The cousins got to sleep in the barn, lulled to sleep by the rustlings of the barn mice. Aunt Marion taught us how to pick wild blackberries, and Grandmother Brugman baked hundreds of pies. We hauled apples home and made applesauce. But the real meaning of Bedside Manor was, and is, a meeting place for all the generations of our large family to convene and converse, and share our lives.

I know Christina and Barry are trying everything possible to preserve their home and our family heritage, for it is that. We were so delighted when Barry bought the farm from Grandpappy's estate and kept it in the family. The picnics and reunions could continue. Each renovation to the farmhouse carefully preserved the exterior, the layout and the history of the place.

It represents a special heritage to our families. I don't think I can adequately express what the loss would mean to us.

I understand these are emotional reasons and not pragmatic ones for arguing for preservation of Bedside Manor Farm, but wanted to add my voice to theirs in asking that DOT find some alternate solution, leaving the farm intact for current and future generations of our family.

Respectfully,  
Jan Eckmann and David Pryde  
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**From:** Nancy Eckmann [mailto:eckmann@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 25, 2006 1:21 PM  
**To:** Allison Ray  
**Cc:** eckmann@hawaii.rr.com  
**Subject:** Re: The Brugman Property

Nancy J. Eckmann  
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Kailua, HI. 96734

September 25, 2006

Allison Ray  
WSDOT  
600 108th Ave NE, Suite 405  
Bellevue, WA 98004-9800

Dear Allison Ray and to whom it concerns,

I am writing with regard to the property owned by Barry and Christina Brugman at 11122 N.E. 132<sup>nd</sup> Street, Kirkland. Our family knows the property as “the farm” or “Bedside Manor”.

Barry is my cousin. His mom and my deceased mother were sisters. You probably know that Barry’s grandparents built Bedside Manor. Barry’s grandfather was an old-time physician known for his austerity. Ironically, most of my aunts and uncles have stories that belie the implied serenity of Grandpappy’s name for the farm.

There are plenty of cousins in our generation and as children we had the run of the place. We rode horses, jumped off the barn rafters into fresh hay, hiked to the pond, and played red rover. We posed on the porch for the ever-increasing family picture then gathered at the picnic tables to enjoy summer’s bounty, much of which came from the farm.

Over the decades our grandparents left us and our parents grew elderly. We have become the adults who put out the picnic while children and grandchildren run about.

When I stand in the kitchen at the farm I see Lelia Brugman baking her daily pie. When I stand in the back bedroom I think of the countless number of babies who have napped there. When I sit in the living room I smell Grandpappy’s pipe and hear his stories of being a lawman in Iowa in his youth. When I visit the farm I connect with loved ones, here and gone, in a way that is unique to the property.

By preserving the essence of Bedside Manor, Barry and Christina have demonstrated how much they value its history. If allowed, there are many chapters yet to come.

I sincerely hope that you will find an alternative to serve the needs of WDOT.

Sincerely,  
Nancy J. Eckmann

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**From:** Rolfe [mailto:rreckmann@comcast.net]  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 24, 2006 10:09 PM  
**To:** Allison Ray  
**Subject:** Bedside Manor public comment

Dear Allison Ray,

I'd like to take this opportunity to express my support of my cousin, Barry Brugman, in his effort to preserve the family "farm", 11122 NE 132nd St, Kirkland, WA.

I and many of my family have fond memories of our time at "the farm" as we called it, or "Bedside Manor" as Barry's grandpappy facetiously named it. As kids, every summer all the Eckmann, Brugman and Ebert cousins enjoyed overnight stays and huge family potluck picnics. We climbed and jumped in the hay in the barn, picked berries, rode horses and enjoyed many other activities unavailable to us in the city.

Now, decades later, the farm lacks the same acreage, the chicken house and the barn, but still retains some of the out buildings, and the old farmhouse looks the same as it did back then, having been passed down to grandson Barry and his family. As adults, we still gather there for reunions and to pose for group photos on the front porch steps, just as we did in the '50's, and '60's.

Grandpappy, a prominent Seattle orthopedic surgeon, lived on the farm into his old age. We listened intently to his stories, such as once being the sheriff of a small midwest town as well as its doctor, and how, during war time he could not purchase lumber to build the farmhouse, so he bought a saw and felled trees on the property. That lumber still forms the bones of that old house. We were always amused by Grandpappy's off-beat sense of humor, such as the sign forbidding anyone from shaking the massive fir trees beside the driveway, since it would "raise the driveway" if we did so.

Over the decades, we saw many changes -- I-405 was built on a huge berm to the east, the Tyler's farm with all the animals across the street eventually became a church. The woods where we picked blackberries and worried about being eaten by cougars became Juanita High School. Grandpappy sold off the back acreage, while preserving the farmhouse to pass down.

But our memories still have an anchor -- the old farmhouse and its long driveway, the garage, the milkhouse, all look the same. Despite the surrounding "progress" and development, I reminisce every time I drive by Bedside Manor, and look forward to the next grand family reunion there, with all the cousins and the aunts and uncles, most of whom are still with us.

I respectfully request that the DOT consider an alternative to condemning Bedside Manor for a retention pond. What a shame that would be.

Sincerely,

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# Corridor Program

Congestion Relief & Bus Rapid Transit Projects

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Comments (please print clearly): Excellent & well organized.  
405 needs these projects: more  
traffic requires the improvements  
so well planned out & presented  
here.

**From:** Fred Gibb [mailto:fredgibb@surewest.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 20, 2006 9:11 PM  
**To:** Allison Ray  
**Subject:** Bedside Manor

It is unbelievable that a family can be uprooted from an historical residence for a claim of eminent domain when there are so many other options and clearly this option ruins the dreams and hopes of a family to live out their lives on their family home. Bedside Manor.

I am an old acquaintance of the Brugman family. My relationship goes back forty years. I know how important this is to the family. No, it is crucial! Plans have been made to retire, relax, and enjoy the declining years of a long time taxpayer of Washington. The first aspect would be the demolition of the family home, which was built by Mr. Brugman's grandfather some sixty years ago. Condemning a dwelling occupied by a family should imply that the dwelling is unfit for habitation. This is certainly not the case.

I have considered Washington as a possible location for my retirement. I have to make this decision in the next ten years. But if the Brugman's can be dumped from their home when other alternatives are available, I would have to rule out this option. My plans are insignificant, no doubt in your decision. But you establish a precedent for tax paying citizens to decide if Washington is a good place to call home. Using eminent domain as a trump card to find the cheapest fix for a problem would make Washington residence questionable. I live in California. But I was born in Idaho and Spokane was my first family home. I hope that criteria for exercising eminent domain considers the humane circumstances and not just the financial.

What options do I consider more viable? Certainly it would be a purchase of land that would be welcomed by the owner. Or applying eminent domain to a parcel with out the sentimental and emotional ties that Bedside Manor is for this family.

There is a church property that could surrender unused space. There are other residents that might feel that a buy-out could work to their advantage. Or you might consider placing the pond on existing state lands that could be rezoned to accommodate this purpose. There is a nature preserve very close that has areas that would accommodate this project without compromising the natural habitat. It is the area where the waters would eventually go, I believe.

What would cause you to decide to devastate this family when there are other alternatives? To save the State a relatively small amount of money? That is the only reason I can imagine you consider. Should you decide to take Bedside Manor, I would think that the emotional effect on the family should warrant payment beyond the intrinsic value. Surely, there is a more willing owner that would relish fair market value.

What if Bedside Manor was developed with apartment buildings? There would be no sentimental value. No long range negative effect. Just some inconvenience for the tenants. But there is time to plan for their relocation, even building a new place for them. But you cannot relocate the Brugmans without causing considerable damage to their sentiment, heritage, and right for any citizen to life, liberty, and happiness.

I must implore you to examine the alternatives to destroying this family home. The ramifications go beyond the current owners. The children and their heritage will be affected as well. Here is the immediate family. Can you really not find a suitable alternative to permanently disrupting this family?

Save Bedside Manor for the Brugmans. And preserve the rights, lifestyle, and dreams of all Washington residents in such situations.

My name is Fred Gibb

I live in Sacramento, California. If you wish to verify my concerns you may reach me at 4253 De Costa Ave, Sacramento, CA 95821, Or call me at 916-521-2198. Or reply to this email.

**From:** LWG2@aol.com [mailto:LWG2@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 23, 2006 9:07 PM  
**To:** Allison Ray  
**Subject:** Bedside Manor

September 23, 2006 Allison Ray WSDOT 600 108th Ave. N.E. Ste 405 Bellevue, WA 98004-9800 re: Bedside Manor 11122 NE 132nd St., Kirkland, WA Dear Ms. Ray: The purpose for this letter is to share with you and any other appropriate officials my dismay at the news of the possibility that Bedside Manor may be condemned and to ask that any such decision be reconsidered. I am lucky to count Christina Brugman a lifelong friend, and her husband and children as friends of many years. I was introduced to Bedside Manor initially by reference, i.e. hearing about "Grandmother and Pappy" and "The Farm" as far back as the 70's. In 1986, my family lived at Bedside Manor for about six weeks when our own house was not quite ready for us. Pappy had just died, and Barry and Christina and their family would soon be moving in. Bedside Manor always has been more than a group of buildings and land - it has been a home in the best sense of that word. A home to Brugmans from the time Pappy built it. A home whose doors were open to friends and family for many wonderful celebrations, some sad when there was a death, but most happy when there were reunions, picnics, holidays, birthdays, anniversaries, and weddings. Bedside Manor hospitality has been enjoyed by many, many people. In my own family, our son and daughter-in-law's rehearsal dinner was a barbecue there. The importance of The Farm cannot be discounted. It is a legacy both in the family and in the community. The family has every intention of living there into old age as did previous generations and then passing that legacy on. In the community it holds importance in the development of Kirkland. In many ways it is a quiet landmark. Over the years, I have known many people who recognized The Farm when you describe where it is, even though they might not know the Brugmans. They often have commented to me what a wonderful house it is and how it represents history in the area. I am of a generation that was schooled in the understanding of the concept of the common good, but not when the criterion for determining the common good is what's cheap and easy. It seems that is the basis for the condemnation of Bedside Manor. How can it be that engineering recommendations seem to be ignored? How can a retention pond for road run-off with its chemical debris be anything but harmful to a nearby creek? How can a plan involving digging up a quarter mile of road to put in a pipe to carry water to the Brugman property be the most practical? What about a closer location for a retention pond where building would be less cumbersome? How can the process for notifying persons involved be so harsh, mysterious, and obfuscating? Where is the openness of a democratic society in making such a decision? What are other options? Why can't an acceptable compromise be negotiated? I am deeply saddened that someone's home may be taken away from them because it is the cheapest and easiest answer. I hope you will give every consideration to other options. Thank you for your time in reading this letter. Yours sincerely, Karen S. Giffin 9411 NE 135th Ln. Kirkland, WA 98034 Dear Ms. Ray: While I have not had as long an acquaintance with the Brugmans as my wife, Karen, I do wish to add my support to saving Bedside Manor for their continued use. My wife's letter represents my own thoughts as well. Another meaningful memory for me is our traditional New Year's Eve celebration where the women cook a wonderful meal together and at midnight we all go to the garage to ring the bell in the cupola. This truly is a special place that deserves better treatment. Thank you, Bill Giffin

**From:** Goodison, Clint (ESC) [mailto:GoodisonC@edmonds.wednet.edu]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 13, 2006 4:27 PM  
**To:** William Jordan  
**Subject:** RE: Your comment on I-405

Thanks. I'm aware that Steve is the committee chair for the church. I was not representing the committee when asking my question (**below**); rather, simply representing myself, as a member of the community. Having said that, I've seen the map showing the two planned NB I-405 ramps and wondered why the one ramp would originate from 116<sup>th</sup> coming down (south) out of the neighborhood. Would it not be possible for SB 116<sup>th</sup> traffic to use the same ramp at the intersection of 132<sup>nd</sup> & 116<sup>th</sup>? Additionally, I've seen some nearby houses pop-up for sale, and wondered if the owners were aware of the project.

Why do you want to knock down my church (Lake Washington Christian Church, 132<sup>nd</sup> & 116<sup>th</sup>, Kirkland) to create a northbound I-405 ramp from the neighborhood street of 116<sup>th</sup>?

**From:** The Hartsough's [mailto:kvhartsough@verizon.net]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 08, 2006 4:10 PM  
**To:** Allison Ray  
**Subject:** I-405, SR520 to I-5 widening project

**Proposal:** Adding a northbound lane from NE 124th Street in Kirkland to SR 522 in Bothell

**Response:**

1. We are **not in favor** of adding another lane here.
2. These are the same types of proposals and actions that have brought us into the current conditions. Adding pavement will NOT resolve the issues for the future anymore than they have in the past.
3. A tunnel under 160th to disperse Woodinville/Bothell traffic from 405 to 522 might alleviate some of the merging problems into and onto 405 but **NO MORE LANES**.
4. We believe mass transit is the answer.
5. I have used the metro in WA DC and MAC in Portland extensively. I have used Bart in San Francisco quite a bit and experienced comfortable, timely service.
6. I quit working in DT Seattle because the bus service was so bad. I was so car sick in the winter with steamed windows and crowded in wet clothing I lost up to an hour even after I arrived home until I felt better and could take care of my home responsibilities.
7. If my child became ill during off "Peak Hours" it could take me two hours or more to make connections and get home. I was fortunate to have two different bosses that would pay for a cab when they realized my problem but most people now do not have that rare luxury.
8. Spend the money on smaller, more frequent and customized route transportation - I believe riders will pay more for better routing service.
9. Sharing rides and incentives are great, unfortunately not all of us have jobs compatible with that alternative.

**Proposal:** Adding a northbound lane from NE 195th Street in Kirkland to SR 527 in Bothell

**Response:**

1. We are **not in favor** of adding another lane here for the same reasons in the first proposal.
2. It may impact fewer neighborhoods than the first proposal as the area is more business/industrial but still does not solve the problem that will continue to grow in the future.
3. Lessen the need for single car traffic and give people alternative transportation not more of the same.

**Proposal:** Toll (HOT) Lanes systems

**Response:**

1. **A RESOUNDING NO - don't let people with the money buy their way out of working for a responsible solution.**
2. HOVs are there as High Occupancy Vehicle lanes NOT to alleviate congestion OR to coddle those who can afford to buy their way around what is a good in-place system.
3. I question the ability to enforce this system much as I do the single drivers who choose to use the HOV lanes for their convenience.
4. and...when you get to asking **A RESOUNDING NO** on allowing hybrid cars in the HOV lanes. With mass transportation and HOV lanes used as currently designed emissions

will be lowered. Not all people are able to either buy around the law or a hybrid - and in case you are wondering - [we drive a Hybrid](#).

Please do not continue doing what has proven to not work.  
Keith and Terrie Hartsough

**From:** accountingmatters@att.net [mailto:accountingmatters@att.net]  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 03, 2006 7:18 PM  
**To:** Allison Ray  
**Subject:** HOT lanes public comment

We are responding to the proposal to install a HOT lane system between SR520 and I5 along the 405 corridor. There are four obvious things wrong with this kind of proposal. First, the HOV lanes are already busy and particularly during rush hour speeds are reduced. Adding more cars to this lane would only further slow car pool and transit vehicles and cause more congestion as cars enter or leave these HOV lanes. Second, the car pool lanes were designed to encourage carpooling and mass transit, allowing single occupant vehicles goes against the attempt to reduce the single occupant cars on the road. Third, this provides another opportunity for people with money to avoid the congestion or having to look for alternative ways of commuting and provides no means for people without the financial resources to pay for this the same opportunity. So this is promoting financial discrimination which governments should not promote. Fourth, new construction is being done along 405 to make it easier for transit and car pools to enter the car pool lanes in a safer and more efficient way. The monies being spent on these projects will end up being wasted if additional vehicles are allowed in those lanes because they may enter the freeways easier but once they enter the carpool lanes again they will be met with slow moving traffic and / or gidlock anyway. So all the public tax dollars that have been spent on these projects will have been wasted. In addition to these four points of concern about HOT lanes, there are other more minor repercussions to letting this proposal come into existence. Instead of any discussions about HOT lanes, more incentives or improvements could be done to encourage more carpooling or mass transit usage. Not only would this decrease potentially the number of vehicles on the road, it potentially improves the environmental impact that all the single occupant traffic creates. Thank you for taking public input. Please find a way to deal with the 405 situation without adding HOT lanes. The other proposals for change and improvements that are already being made along 405 are good and should help improve the 405 traffic situation.

Steve and Denise Haugen  
Kirkland, WA

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ALLISON RAY, I-405 PROJECT ENVIRONMENTAL MGR.  
WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
600 - 108TH AVENUE N.E. SUITE # 405  
BELLEVUE, WA. 98004

Dear Ms. Ray;

We want to go on record as to the constantly increasing levels of noise we have to address here in Woodcrest. Freeway traffic noise has significantly increased every year in our senior development. Normal conversation outside the homes in some areas requires the people trying to talk to practically shout to be heard.

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We need to have serious consideration as to how the new widening of I-405 will address the noise abatement. Many of us do not feel that concrete walls will make much difference. But, we do feel that if a strong line of native N.W. Pine trees were planted soon, along our property line that by the time you move the new widened highway closer to our property we might get some relief.

We suggest that this planting should be done between our West property line and the East side of the widened highway. Please keep us informed of any meetings so we can make some input at every step along the way.

sincerely;

Karen A. Higgins  
name of registered voter

17337 Woodcrest Dr N.E.  
address

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phone number

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phone number

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*Donna Bass*  
Name of registered voter

*17210 19th Ave NE Bothell, Wa 98011*  
Address

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*425 343-3544*  
Phone number

Phone number

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*Marilyn S. Truitt*  
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*425-488-1411*  
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Sincerely;

*Melvin A. Green*

Name of registered voter

*11710 NE 172<sup>nd</sup> ST*

Address

*425-488-8654*

Phone number

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Sincerely;

*Phyllis K. Woods*

Name of registered voter

*17119 - 117th Ct NE  
Bothell, WA 98011*

Address

*425-806-8727*

Phone number

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Sincerely;

*Hannet Eaton*  
Name of registered voter

*17102 117th Ct. N.E.*  
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*425-488-1369*  
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Address

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Phone number

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Grant O Barber  
name of registered voter

Salvatore Ann Barber 9/16/06

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address

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*Mrs. J. Shoracchini*

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name of registered voter

*17310 Woodcrest Dr. N.E.,*

address

*425 988-0441*

phone number

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17336 Woodcrest Prime NE  
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*Shelby G. Prefelter*  
name of registered voter

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*425-488-8836*  
phone number

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address

*425-489-7940*

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name of registered voter

*11720 N.E. 172<sup>nd</sup> St. Bothell, 98011*

address

*425-488-7522*

phone number