

Columbia River Crossing Task Force Vision and Values Statement

(Based on concepts created for the I-5 Transportation and Trade Partnership Strategic Plan)

The Columbia River Crossing Project NEPA process will include: crossing infrastructure; multi-modal transportation; connectivity; public transit; land use; funding; community and business interests; under-represented, low income and minority communities; commuter and freight mobility; maritime mobility; and environmental considerations. When complete, the Crossing will improve the regional quality of life by:

- providing travel mobility, safety, reliability, accessibility and choice of transportation modes for users whether they are public, private, or commercial, and recognizing the varied requirements of local, intra-corridor, and interstate movement.
- supporting a sound regional economy by addressing the need to move freight efficiently, reliably, and safely through the Corridor.
- supporting a healthy and vibrant land-use mix of residential, commercial, industrial, recreational, cultural, and historical areas.
- respecting and protecting natural resources, including air quality, wildlife habitat, and water resources.
- supporting balanced achievement of community, neighborhood, and regional goals for growth management, livability, the environment, and a healthy economy with promise for all.
- distributing fairly the associated benefits and impacts for the region and the neighborhoods adjacent to or affected by the Crossing.

The result will protect our future with an improved and equitable balance of livability, mobility, access, public health, environmental stewardship, economic vitality, and environmental justice.