

Support the withdrawal of the I-205 bus lanes from the federal interstate highway system and substitute light rail transit as an eligible project in the I-205 corridor between the Portland International Airport and the Clackamas Town Center.

WHEREAS, the I-205 Freeway was constructed with a reserved right-of-way for a busway between SE Foster Road and the Glen Jackson Bridge; and

WHEREAS, Title 23, U.S.C., Section 103 (e) (4) as amended by the Surface Transportation Act of 1978 (Public Law 95-599) authorizes the withdrawal of segments from the Interstate highway system; and

WHEREAS, Section 142 of the 1987 Surface Transportation and Uniform Relocation Assistance Act permits withdrawal of proposed bus lanes and substitution of light rail transit on a portion of I-205 in Portland and Multnomah County, Oregon; and

WHEREAS, the substitute transit project must be under contract for construction by September 30, 1989 or the Secretary of Transportation will immediately withdraw approval of the project; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Oregon must specifically request the withdrawal to the United States Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Service District, as the government designated to perform regional transportation planning under the provisions of Section 134, 23 U.S.C. must concur in this request for withdrawal in order for the Governor of the State of Oregon to submit the request to the U.S. Department of Transportation;

WHEREAS, the Regional Transportation Plan has identified the I-205 corridor along with the Westside and Milwaukie Corridors as future light rail transitways; and

WHEREAS, the Westside and Milwaukie corridors have been identified as the next priorities for Urban Mass Transportation Administration Section 3 grant funds; and

WHEREAS, it would be in the greater public interest to promote the expansion of the regional LRT system to support economic development, air quality, and mass transportation goals in the Portland metropolitan area; and

WHEREAS, the proposed I-205 project is consistent with the Arterial Streets Classification Policy;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE Council of the City of Portland, a Municipal Corporation of the State of Oregon does hereby ask the Governor of the State of Oregon to request the United States Department of Transportation to withdraw the proposed I-205 bus lanes in Portland and Multnomah County from the federal interstate highway system; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this withdrawal be conditioned on the U.S. Department of Transportation's authorization to substitute light rail transit as an eligible project in portions of the I-205 corridor under the provisions of 23 U.S.C. 103 (e) (4); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council hereby requests that the Council of the Metropolitan Service District concur in the request to substitute the light rail transit project and that Metro offer every assistance required to submit the request to the U.S. Department of Transportation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council reaffirms its prior commitment to the Westside LRT Project as the next priority for LRT development, after the Banfield, using Urban Mass Transportation Administration Section 3 grant funds; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council request the Milwaukie LRT Project be evaluated concurrently with the I-205 LRT Project for alternatives analysis.

Adopted by the Council, **MAY 3 1989**

Commissioner Blumenauer  
April 13, 1988  
Steve Iwata:mms

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