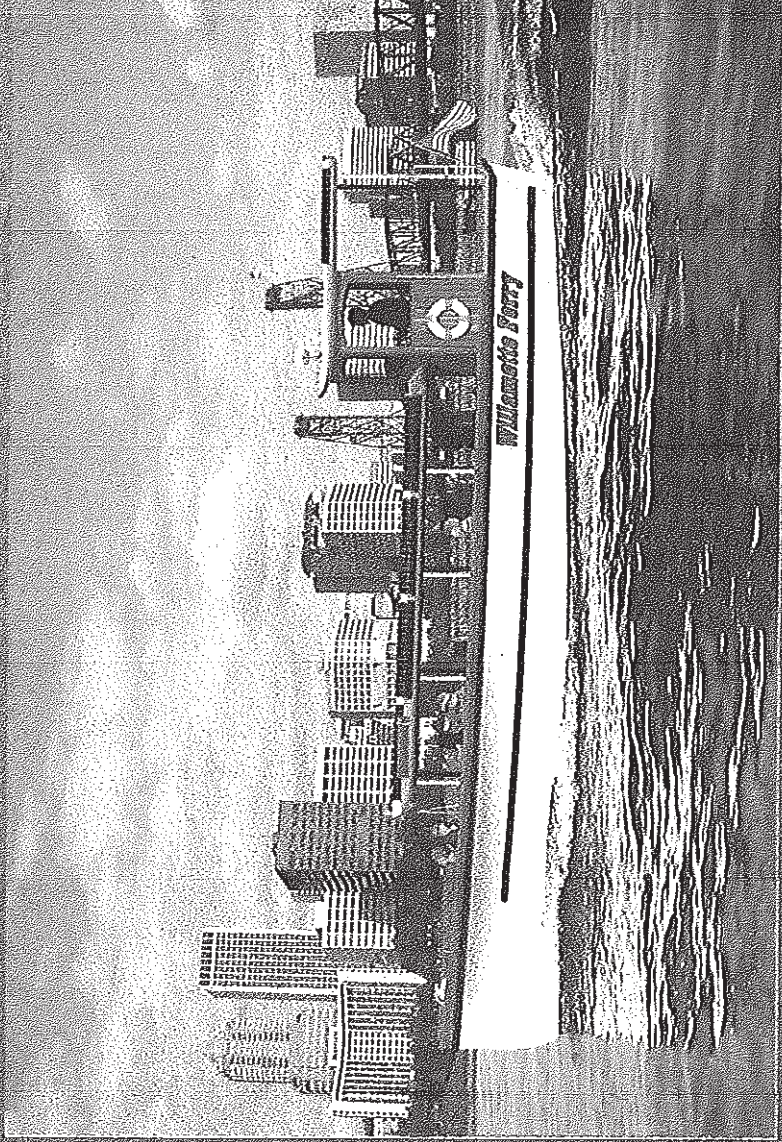
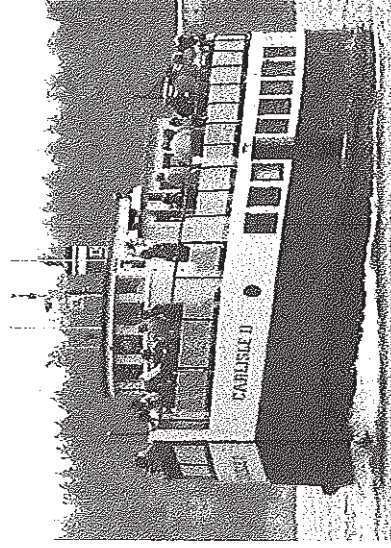
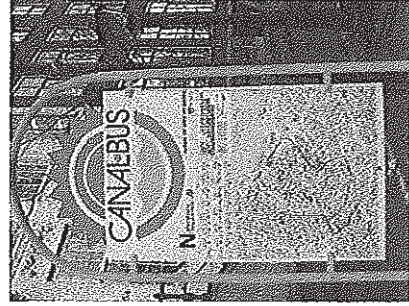
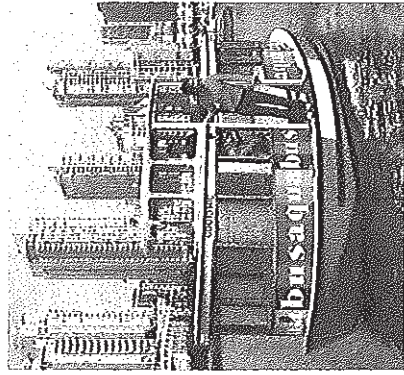


# Rediscovering the river as a transportation corridor

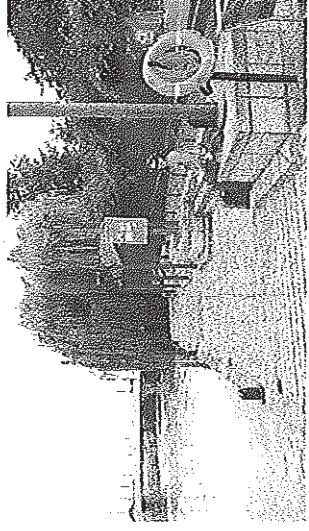
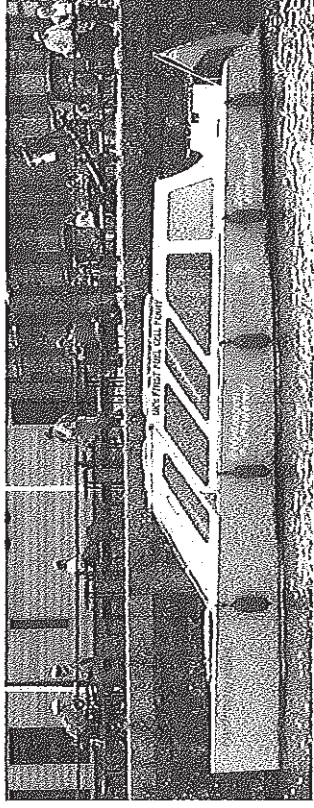


# Increased livability



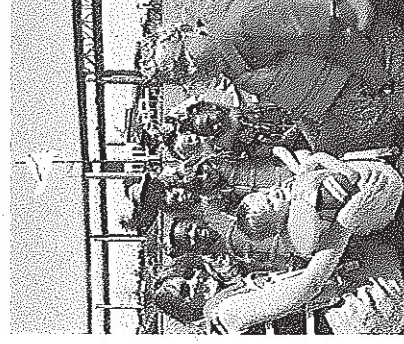
- Access for all to the city's heart
- Unsurpassed way to meet and talk
- Strengthens bond between east & west sides
- Last & most vital multimodal transit component

# Innovative Sustainability



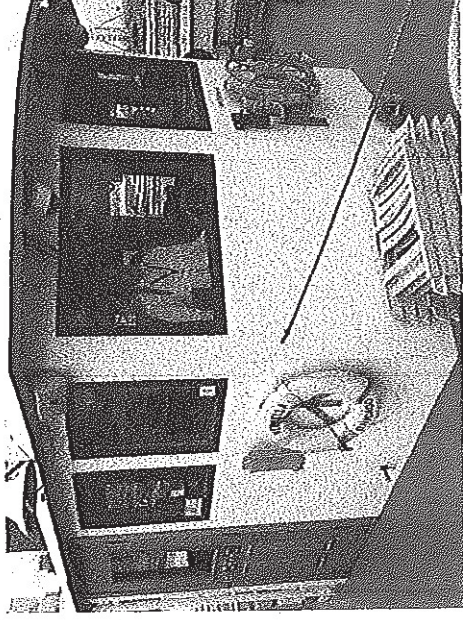
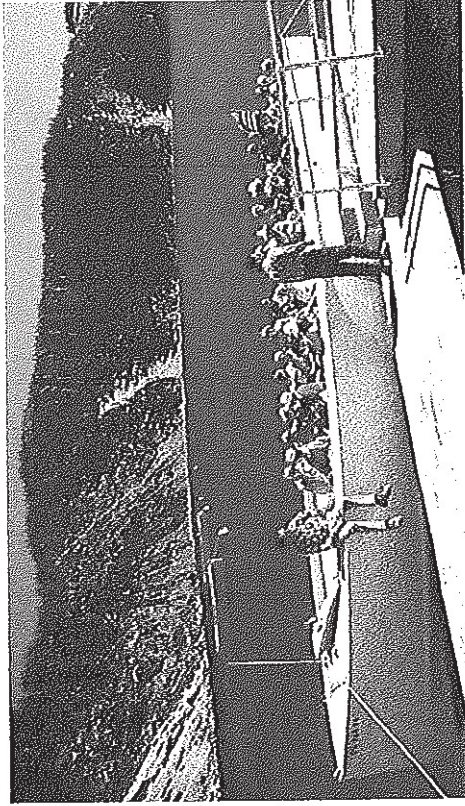
- Hybrid solar-electric-local biodiesel power to start
- Hydrogen: Cleaning the water as she goes...
- Lower carbon emissions per passenger mile than light rail, trolleys or buses
- Protecting salmon: existing public docks plus a few new docks out of the river channel

# Least costly - by far - yet the most fun & beautiful transit



- Public already owns R.O.W. and ext'g docks
- US DOT grants for majority of facilities' costs
- Private funds for boats and operations
- Institutional-business support likely- an LID

# Multiple economic benefits



- Increased tourism w/more PDX conventions probable
- Safety: Eyes on the river and bridges – Plus redundancy
- Some terrific living wage jobs: crew, advanced green mechanics, naturalists and historians, clean fuels
- Stimulus for new waterfront development

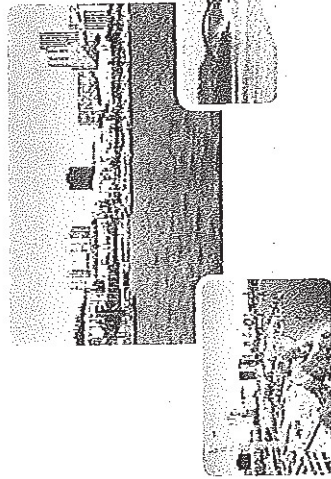
# Is this feasible? Yes!

June 2005



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**FINAL REPORT**



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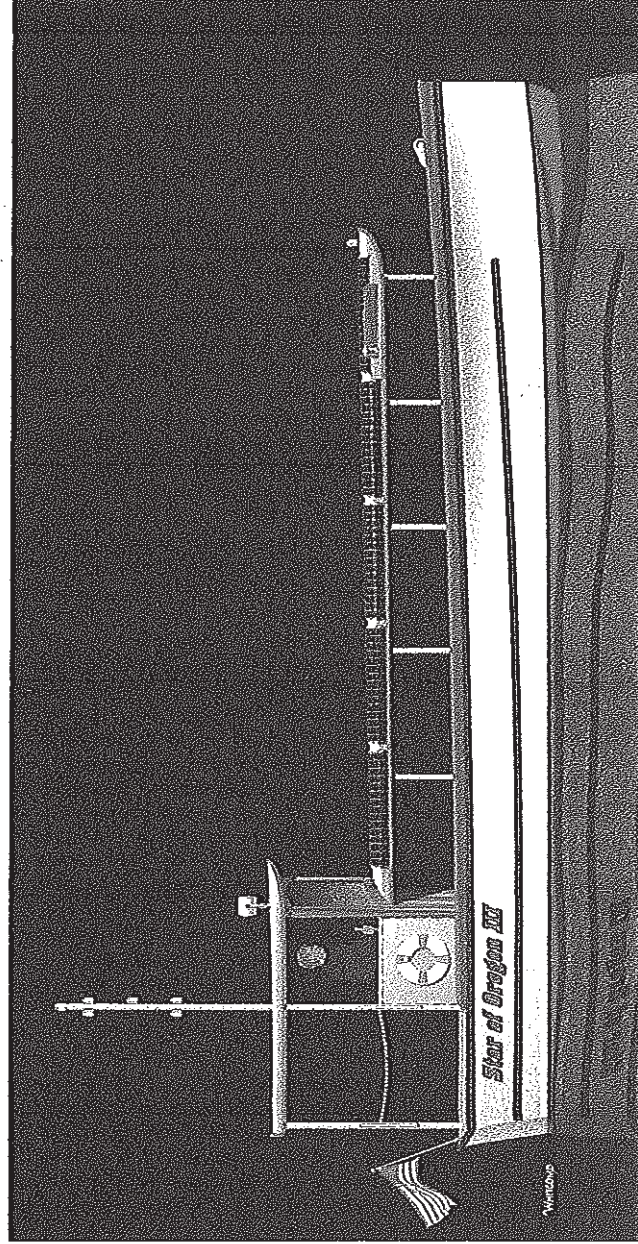
- These cities say: Absolutely!**
- Vancouver • Portland, ME
  - Victoria • New York
  - Nanaimo • Boston
  - Seattle • Toronto
  - Minneapolis • Sydney
  - San Francisco • Hong Kong
  - Chicago • Amsterdam
  - Charleston • Copenhagen
  - San Diego • London
  - San Antonio • Paris
  - Oklahoma City • Frankfurt
  - Fort Lauderdale • Tokyo

# Add water transit to the Comp Plan!



- The Central Reach Planning process has demonstrated that Portlanders want it now!
- Potential operators are waiting for City action
- Start now: grant writing and system planning

Time to leave the dock! Thanks.



Solar-Biodiesel Hybrid Ferry

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