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My residence is at the confluence of Beaverton/Hillsdale Hwy, Capitol Hwy, and Bertha Court. It is an intersection designed for rural roads – not for 21<sup>st</sup> century traffic. In order to move this poorly designed intersection towards an improved intersection I would strongly urge consideration for expediting a reconfigured Red Electric Trail to be placed in the first five years of projects the City is undertaking.

As an avid walker I know that a safe connecting link between Washington County, Hillsdale, South Waterfront and downtown Portland will encourage pedestrian and bicycle users to leave their cars at home. The Red Electric Trail along Beaverton/Hillsdale Hwy follows an old train bed with gentle slope making it appealing to users. With a new route crossing Fanno Creek and directing people off Bev/Hills Hwy it will provide an alternative to waiting at the stop lights at the intersection where I live and experience too much vehicle noise and emissions.

Thank you for considering my comments.

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