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Hello,

I'd like to provide testimony regarding the bike lane gap between Cully and Alderwood crossing Columbia Boulevard.

This stretch was part of my daily bike commute, and is still a route I use regularly when visiting the office near Cascade Station. The crossing of Columbia and the stretch through the golf course are the most dreaded part of this route. Jockeying with semis and high-speed traffic makes me stay out of traffic as much as I can, and instead gingerly use the narrow, glass covered sidewalks on Columbia. When going through the golf course on Alderwood, cars frequently pass me on the limited-visibility curve just before the stoplight.

I've had many co-workers cite the general difficulty of crossing the Columbia and making to the Cascades Parkway as the reason they do not bike commute to work, even though they only live a couple miles away.

Please invest in making this crossing safer and more welcoming.

Thank you,

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