



# Community Benefits Advisory Group Meeting

September 26, 2024



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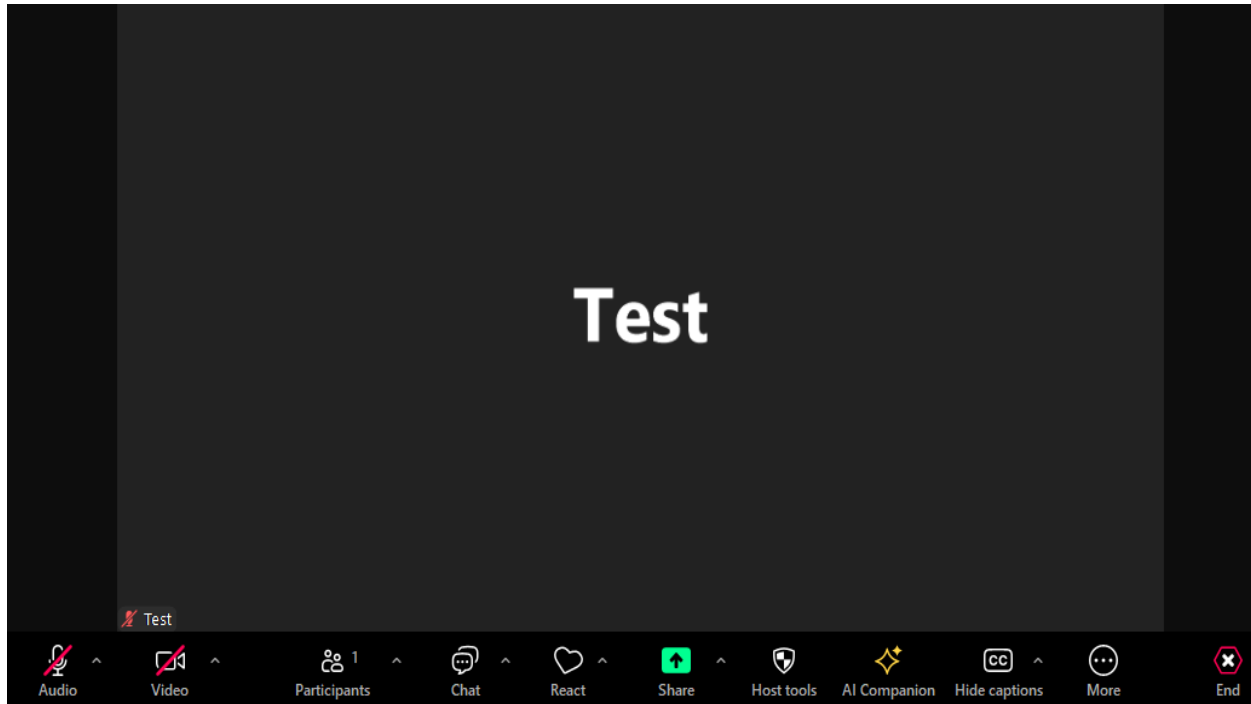
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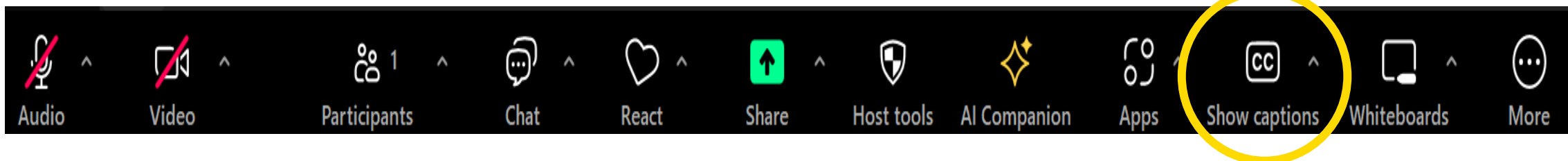
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# ASL Interpretation

- ▶ In the effort to continue to center equity there is an ASL interpreter in addition to closed captioning.
- ▶ To make sure the interpreter is always visible please right click their video and select spotlight video.
- ▶ For those watching on YouTube, when we screenshare, you will be able to see the slideshow, closed captioning and the ASL interpreter. You will still be able to hear different people speaking but may not see them.

# Public Input Instructions

- ▶ **There will be an opportunity to provide brief public input later in the meeting today (around 9:50 AM).**

- Please see [www.interstatebridge.org/draftseis](http://www.interstatebridge.org/draftseis) for the ways to submit official public comment on the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement.

- ▶ **Verbal public comment will be welcome in the Zoom webinar during the designated time, with the option to turn on your camera.**

- Please use the link located in the meeting description on the YouTube meeting page or on the IBR CBAG meeting webpage.

- Commenters will not be allowed to share their screens and will be removed from the room once the public comment period concludes.

- ▶ **To comment by phone:**

- Dial: +1 646 931 3860 US or 408-638-0968

- Enter meeting ID: 823 5803 3783, passcode: 385815

- Dial \*9 to raise your hand

- After you are invited to speak, dial \*6 to unmute yourself.





# Safety: Evacuation Gathering Place

**GATHERING PLACE**



# Group Agreements

- ▶ Put relationships first
- ▶ Keep focused on our common goal
- ▶ Notice power dynamics in the room
- ▶ Create a space for multiple truths & norms
- ▶ Be kind and brave
- ▶ Practice examining racially biased systems and processes
- ▶ This is a learning space for everyone, look for learning
- ▶ Advisory group members will turn cameras on as you share this space together
- ▶ Take care of your personal needs as they come up. Let the facilitator know if you need to step away.
- ▶ Virtual participant can participate by taking written notes, and using the 'Raise Hand' and 'Speak' features for active engagement
- ▶ Welcome diverse perspectives; it's okay to disagree
- ▶ Move Up, Move Up
- ▶ Assume and have good intentions





# Welcome CBAG Members

Greg Johnson, Program Administrator

# CBAG Sharing

## ▶ Welcome

- Greg Johnson, Program Administrator
- Mayor Anne McEnery-Ogle, City of Vancouver
- Commissioner Mingus Mapps, City of Portland

## ▶ Introductions – CBAG Members

- Please introduce your name, organizational affiliation or at large status, and pronouns
- Check-in question - 'What do you pack first when going on a trip?'

# Meeting Agenda

Time	Topic
9:30 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Call to order</li><li>• Welcome &amp; introductions</li><li>• Meeting overview and outcomes</li></ul>
9:50 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Public comment</li></ul>
10:00 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Program update</li></ul>
10:10 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Discussion - Review/refine potential benefits in the Avoid Further Harm category</li></ul>
11:25 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Closing and next steps</li></ul>



# Public Comment

# Comment Instructions

## To make a verbal comment:

- ▶ To make a live comment via phone, dial: +1 646 931 3860 or +1 408 638 0968
  - ▶ Meeting ID: 823 5803 3783
  - ▶ Passcode: 385815
- ▶ Dial \*9 to raise your hand
- ▶ The facilitator will call on participants to provide comment
- ▶ Dial \*6 to unmute yourself
- ▶ Please provide your name and affiliation
- ▶ 10-minute timeframe will be divided among the number of requested speakers

**If we run out of time and you have not had a chance to speak, you can still provide comments after the meeting.**



# Comment Instructions

Please see [www.interstatebridge.org/draftseis](http://www.interstatebridge.org/draftseis) for the ways to submit official public comment on the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement.



## To submit advisory group comments after the meeting:



- ▶ Fill out the comment form on the program website or email your comments to **info@interstatebridge.org** with “CBAG Public Comment” in the subject line.
- ▶ Call **360-859-0494** (Washington), **503-897-9218** (Oregon), **888-503-6735** (toll-free) and state "CBAG Public Comment" in your message.
- ▶ Written comments need to explicitly say “**CBAG Public Comment**” in the subject line or in the body of the message for them to be identified and distributed to CBAG members.
- ▶ All written comments must be received prior to 48 hours in advance of each upcoming meeting in order to be distributed to advisory group members. Comments received after that point will be distributed to members in advance of their next meeting.

# Program Update

Greg Johnson, Program Administrator

# Recent Activities

- ▶ **Publication of the Draft SEIS**
  - 60-day public comment period (Sept. 20 through Nov. 18, 2024)
- ▶ **Upcoming Section 106 Online Open House**
  - 30-day public comment period (Oct. 18 through Nov. 18, 2024)
- ▶ **Bridge tour for FTA Administrator Veronica Vanderpool**
- ▶ **Equity Roundtable - Sept. 10**
- ▶ **Virtual Public Briefing (Pre-Draft SEIS Publication) – Aug. 24**
- ▶ **Recent Presentations**
  - American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) Design Committee
  - Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce, Government & Public Affairs Committee
  - Washington Aggregates & Concrete Association
  - Oregon Concrete & Aggregate Producers Association
- ▶ **Community Event Tabling**
  - Portland Summer Concert Series: Celebrating Black Arts & Culture
  - Vietnamese Community of Clark County Moon Festival
- ▶ **Upcoming: Joint Oregon and Washington Transportation Commission Meeting – Oct. 1**







# We want to hear your comments!

- ▶ Comments provide feedback that helps the Program refine design options, update technical analysis and inform the Final SEIS.
- ▶ Comments should be specific to information you learned or read within the Draft SEIS.
- ▶ When sharing an opinion on design options or the analysis, provide information from the analysis that helped form that opinion.
- ▶ For a comment to be included as part of the formal record, it must be submitted in one of the official ways.
- ▶ Comments submitted through social media and informal conversations will not be recorded as formal comments.
- ▶ To ensure the administrative record accurately and completely reflects the documentation received during the public comment period, written comments should not include any hyperlinks to outside materials or information. Any materials or information you wish to have considered should be included within the submitted comment.
- ▶ Attachments to e-mails must be specifically referenced in the comment text, including specific citations to page number and passage from the attachments.
- ▶ All audio/video attachments must be transcribed or submitted via the Draft SEIS voicemail line.

# Accessing the Draft SEIS

- ▶ **The document is available now and accessible by all community members**
  - Adheres to ADA standards
  - Online search function to easily locate specific information
  - Executive Summary is interpreted into multiple languages
- ▶ **View the Draft SEIS document, Executive Summary and technical reports online at: [www.InterstateBridge.org/DraftSEIS](http://www.InterstateBridge.org/DraftSEIS)**
- ▶ **Hard copies are available for in-person review:**
  - IBR office: 500 Broadway, Suite 200, Vancouver
  - Vancouver City Hall: 415 W 6th Street, Vancouver
  - Vancouver Community Library: 901 C Street, Vancouver
  - The Charles Jordan Community Center: 9009 N Foss Ave, Portland
  - The Portland Building: 1120 SW Fifth Ave, Portland
- ▶ **Two upcoming virtual public briefings on the content in the Draft SEIS and public comment period: Oct. 1 and Oct. 9**

# How to Comment

- ▶ **Comment through Nov. 18 using one of these methods:**
  - Submit a web-based form at [www.InterstateBridge.org/DraftSEIS](http://www.InterstateBridge.org/DraftSEIS)
  - Email a comment to [DraftSEIS@InterstateBridge.org](mailto:DraftSEIS@InterstateBridge.org)
  - Send a comment to the IBR office through the mail
    - 500 Broadway, Suite 200, Vancouver WA 98660
  - Call the IBR office to leave a verbal comment at 866-IBR-SEIS (427-7347)
  - Comment at virtual and in-person public hearings
- ▶ **Comments can be provided in your native language.**
- ▶ **Upcoming in-person public hearings and open house opportunities:**
  - Gaiser Hall 150, Clark College, Vancouver — Oct. 15, 5:30-8:30 p.m.
  - Portland Expo Center — Oct. 17, 5:30-8:30 p.m.
- ▶ **Upcoming virtual public hearing events:**
  - Draft SEIS Virtual Public Hearing — Oct. 26 (12:00 pm) & Oct. 30 (6:00 pm)

Visit the IBR calendar for a full list of and information about attending briefings, opening houses, public hearings, and other events: [www.interstatebridge.org/calendar](http://www.interstatebridge.org/calendar)



# Review/Refine Potential Benefits Avoid Further Harm Category

# What's Next?

# CBAG Workplan

- ▶ October 24, 2024, Portland Building
  - Mobility and Accessibility (Review/Refine)
- ▶ November 14, 2024, IBR Office
  - Mobility and Accessibility (Review/Refine cont'd)
- ▶ December 19, 2024, Portland Building
  - Physical Design (Review/Refine)
- ▶ January 2025, IBR Office
  - Physical Design (Review/Refine cont'd)

# Next Program Meetings

- ▶ Community Advisory Group (CAG)
  - October 10, 2024 – 4:00 – 6:00 PM
- ▶ Executive Steering Group (ESG)
  - October 21, 2024 – 9:30 – 11:30 AM
- ▶ Equity Advisory Group (EAG)
  - October 21, 2024 – 5:30 – 7:30 PM
- ▶ Community Benefits Advisory Group (CBAG)
  - October 24, 2024 – 9:30 – 11:30 AM

# Wrap up

## Final Thoughts





Thank you!



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