Central Lane Metropolitan Planning Organization

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To: Central Lane Metropolitan Planning Organization

Subject: EMX alignment

Dear members of the Metropolitan Planning Council,

I am writing you to ask that you vote "Yes" for the West Eugene EMX 13th -11th alignment.

I am a pedestrian, a cyclist, a public transit user, and I drive a car. I am also the mother of a five-year old, and concerned about climate change, peak oil, and the future quality of life in Eugene. As a family we have committed to rely less and less on our vehicle, and use alternative modes of transportation for our daily needs. It has become clear that we need a good integrated transportation system that supports all of these modes. I believe that the EMX 13th-11th alignment would serve our community well.

I believe that I am part of a "silent" majority, who assume that supporting public transportation is a "no-brainer" for our elected officials. But I am concerned that the NIMBY resistance (and obvious financial backing) will take away a critical asset for our community as a whole.

Please show leadership for the entire area and do something that makes good economic sense for the future of the whole community. Please say yes to a project that will take long-term vision not just the short term politics of one neighborhood or interest group.

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