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Sent: Friday, March 20, 2009 1:55 PM
To: Paananen, Ron
Subject: RE: Before 2PM PLEASE

I HAVE 5 MINUTES BEFORE I SEE THE GOV

From: Paananen, Ron [mailto:PaananR@wsdot.wa.gov]
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Talked to Dave - am trying to get you and Jennifer on a conference call in the next few minutes.

From: Fleckenstein, Mary [mailto:Fleckenstein.Mary@leg.wa.gov]
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To: Paananen, Ron; Dye, Dave; Ziegler, Jennifer
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Do you have to have the bill? What happens if you don't get it? What does this do to the timeline?

From: Paananen, Ron [mailto:PaananR@wsdot.wa.gov]
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The most important issue right now is getting the bored tunnel adopted by the legislature as the replacement for the SR 99 Viaduct. This will allow us to initiate an Environmental Impact Statement with a preferred alternative.

Then the critical work between now and 2011 will be completion of the EIS. We will be starting that effort shortly (once we know the tunnel is officially the project) and all the work we have done over the past 8 years will help facilitate the EIS timeline. We expect to issue the Draft EIS by the end of this year. The work we are doing right now is to determine what will be included in the document. We want the scope to be as narrow as possible to make the EIS process go quickly.

Contracting strategies are currently being developed. There will likely be several construction contracts, with the tunnel itself being delivered as one Design-Build Contract. We expect to issue the Request for Proposals (RFP) for the tunnel contract in mid 2010. This will allow the design-builder to begin final design work, setting the stage for construction work to begin once the Final EIS is completed and a record of decision issued by FHWA. Some utility work can occur prior to the completion of the EIS, but major construction will not happen before that.

We are getting ready to conduct soil investigation on the tunnel alignment. This will involve drilling and getting soil samples past the depth of the tunnel.

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Importance: High

What has to happen by when for construction on the bored tunnel to begin in 2011? What are the critical dates that have to be hit? And which dates are specific to the bored tunnel, as opposed to other aspects of the project?