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Seattle Times

Reporter Andrew Garber spoke with Ron Paananen, UCO Deputy Administrator, regarding the central waterfront recommendation for the Alaskan Way Viaduct. Garber asked about the number of vehicles that use the viaduct today, how the surface street scenarios and the bored tunnel accommodates those trips. Paananen talked about vehicle and person trips projected in 2015. He reviewed traffic modeling information (2015) with Garber, including information on travel times and number of transit riders. Paananen discussed building for the future, and the projected increase in population. He said that the team has not done 2030 modeling yet, and that we need to do more work to see what the peak hours look like under the bored tunnel alternative. Garber is publishing tomorrow.