
From: White, John
Sent: Monday, May 11, 2009 10:50 AM
To: Paananen, Ron; Van Ness, Kristy (Consultant)
Cc: Lenz, KaDeena (Consultant); Grotefendt, Amy (Consultant)
Subject: Re: AWV Communications Stories - May 8, 2009

Agreed. We have had a budget placeholder, and basic concepts for making the connection, some of the details changed with the bored tunnel decision.

From: Paananen, Ron
To: Van Ness, Kristy (Consultant); White, John
Cc: Lenz, KaDeena (Consultant); Grotefendt, Amy (Consultant)
Sent: Mon May 11 09:58:23 2009
Subject: Re: AWV Communications Stories - May 8, 2009

Sounds reasonable. The transition was never really designed, and the concept went through several iterations as a result of selecting a single bore tunnel.

From: Van Ness, Kristy (Consultant)
To: White, John; Paananen, Ron
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Sent: Mon May 11 09:55:16 2009
Subject: RE: AWV Communications Stories - May 8, 2009

Margie called today- she was out on Friday, and was concerned with my request for a correction. I explained that her article made it sound as though there was new scope that was being added to the bored tunnel already, and that this was not true. She asked if it would work if she instead had something about how the design for the transition structure had changed.

Thoughts? I think it would be accurate to say that the transition structure design was updated, or refined. Do you feel this is an accurate reflection? John - she may want to talk with you about this; I'll let you know when I connect with her about the above change.

Thanks,
Kristy

From: White, John
Sent: Friday, May 08, 2009 8:54 AM
To: Paananen, Ron; Van Ness, Kristy (Consultant); Grotefendt, Amy (Consultant)
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Subject: Re: AWV Communications Stories - May 8, 2009

Concur with Ron, there has always been a conservative budget placeholder for that connection.

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Sent: Fri May 08 08:46:02 2009
Subject: RE: AWW Communications Stories - May 8, 2009

The temporary connection has been included in the south end estimate since moving forward was first developed in March 2007. We talked publically about the temporary connection being part of the estimate, and even stated publically that we hoped it wouldn't be needed if we tore the viaduct down in 2012.

I'm not sure how Margie got it wrong.

From: Van Ness, Kristy (Consultant)
Sent: Friday, May 08, 2009 8:36 AM
To: Grotefendt, Amy (Consultant); Paananen, Ron; White, John
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Subject: FW: AWW Communications Stories - May 8, 2009
Importance: High

It's my understanding that the below sentence from Margie, in today's DJC, is incorrect. Can you confirm? We always knew that there would be a temporary connection between the south end, and whatever was decided as the new piece for the central waterfront, be it above ground, below ground, or at-grade. This is not an "add" as Margie describes it.

DJC article:

WSDOT is already adding to the bored tunnel project. Last month WSDOT said it will need to add a temporary bridge between the viaduct's rebuilt south end and its central waterfront section so that traffic can continue to use the viaduct while the bored tunnel is constructed.

From: VandenBerghe, Alissa (Consultant)
Sent: Friday, May 08, 2009 8:24 AM
Subject: AWW Communications Stories - May 8, 2009

WSDOT: viaduct tunnel won't be another Big Dig
 Article attached
 Seattle's Daily Journal of Commerce – May 8, 2009

Sinkholes cause concern about tunnel projects
www.king5.com/topstories/stories/NW_050609WAB-sinkholes-tunnel-projects-SW.26949749.html?rss
 KING 5 – May 6, 2009

Blogs

Details: The new group focused on “our side” of The Viaduct
westseattleblog.com/blog/?p=16618
 West Seattle Blog – May 7, 2009

Brown: Viaduct tunnel cost amendment to be revisited
blog.seattlepi.com/seattlepolitics/archives/168184.asp?source=rss
The Seattle Post-Intelligencer – May 7, 2009

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