



May 13, 2009

Congressman David Reichert
US House of Representatives
1730 Longworth Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Reichert:

On behalf of the **Puget Sound Regional Council**, I am writing to **express this organization's support of North Bend's request for federal funding of \$550,000** for completion of its downtown **North Bend Rural Park-and-Ride Facility** at West North Bend Way and Sydney Avenue. The project **already has funding commitments from the Federal Transit Administration, King County Metro and the City of North Bend**. In addition to any public involvement efforts afforded through the planning processes of the City of North and King County Metro, **the public is given the opportunity to provide testimony for or against any project in the Transportation Improvement Program before its adoption.**

This project will enhance transit service through the North Bend area of the I-90 corridor, providing more options for transit users. It provides pedestrian safety features in addition to the lot's 75-100 parking spaces. King County Metro has already rerouted the bus service that will serve the completed facility.

The North Bend Rural Park-and-Ride Facility is consistent with the Regional Transportation Plan and is included in the Regional Transportation Improvement Program. The region strives to reduce vehicular traffic by enabling and encouraging people to utilize alternatives to single-occupant travel. As an enhancement to the transit system, this project will support the region's transit initiative.

Thank you for your consideration of this funding request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bob Drewel". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Bob Drewel
Executive Director

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OFFICE OF CONGRESSMAN DAVE REICHERT (WA-08)

CONGRESSIONAL SITE VISIT CERTIFICATION

In the interests of accountability and transparency, we require that either the Congressman or a member of the Congressman's professional staff visit each project site requesting federal funding. This will enable our office to more thoroughly assess the merits of each project and ensure that limited taxpayer funds are invested wisely.

Upon completion of the congressional site visit, please complete this form and have a representative from the organization (not a representative from a lobbying firm) sign it. The Congressional Staff Member visiting the site will be responsible for collecting the form at the time of the visit.

I hereby certify that on 4/30, 2009 Congressman Dave Reichert/a professional staff member from Congressman Dave Reichert's office visited our organization/project for the purposes of reviewing our request for federal funding.

PROJECT NAME: NORTH BEND PARK & RIDE

DATE OF CONGRESSIONAL VISIT: APRIL 30, 2009

NAME OF PERSON CERTIFYING: RONALD GARROW

TITLE OF PERSON CERTIFYING: PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR, CITY OF NORTH BEND

LEGAL NAME OF ENTITY MAKING REQUEST: CITY OF NORTH BEND

LEGAL ADDRESS OF ENTITY MAKING REQUEST: P.O. Box 896, NORTH BEND, WA 98045

SIGNATURE: Ronald Garrow DATE: 4/30/2009

MEMBER/CONGRESSIONAL STAFF MEMBER: Thomas Young

SIGNATURE: [Signature] DATE: 5.7.09