

Charbonneau *country club*

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Mr. Bob Van Brocklin, Chair
Oregon Transportation Commission
355 Capitol St. MS 11
Salem, Or 97301-8871

Re Boone Bridge Tolling

Dear Mr. Van Brocklin,

The community of Charbonneau, comprised of approximately 3000 Wilsonville residents, appreciates ODOT's need to raise money and, while we do not support tolling, we acknowledge the need to find funding mechanisms to provide money for capital projects. However, we request that if tolling must be done in this area, that it be placed north of the city of Wilsonville. Placing the tolling station on the Boone bridge unfairly splits the city and penalizes our Charbonneau community.

Charbonneau is a Homeowners Association (HOA) comprised of primarily elderly residents, the vast majority of whom are retired. We also understand that one of your arguments for tolling is for congestion reduction. Charbonneau residents already practice congestion reduction. Charbonneau residents know better than to go north on I-5 before 9AM and we all know that, if we want to avoid long lines and wait times, we better be back across the bridge by 3PM. Being retired, we have the luxury to schedule our events in the middle of the day and most of us do so.

We are a part of the city of Wilsonville and are tied to the city for our shopping, banking, and other activities. My wife and I probably cross the Boone bridge ten times a week to do our volunteer activities, to play pickleball to stay fit, to go to our city library, to do our banking, to go to the post office to pick up our business mail from our postal box, to see our children, and to get groceries and gas. Being

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frugal, we try to bundle trips, yet still have the need to cross that bridge multiple times weekly. There is no other local access.

We urge you to reconsider tolling on the Boone bridge. It is unfair to our HOA residents and needlessly splits the city of Wilsonville for no good purpose. If tolling must take place in this area, please locate it north of Wilsonville.

Thank you for your attention and consideration.

Respectfully,



Gary Newbore
President
Charbonneau HOA

CC. Wilsonville Mayor Fitzgerald
Charbonneau Board of Directors