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Kathy Hunter
Deputy Assistant Director, Transportation Safety
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Kathy:

Thank you for advising us about participating in the WUTC process in our phone conversation this morning.

The City of Lakewood does object to the upgrades proposed for the three crossings (Clover Creek Dr, Thorne Ln, and Berkeley St; petitions 100127, 100128, and 100129). Furthermore, we request review of the four other Lakewood crossings (Steilacoom Blvd, 100th, 108th, and Bridgeport Way) for which the City supported Sounder service but not Amtrak high-speed rail service.

We also respectfully advise that the Clover Park School District and the Tillicum/Woodbrook Neighborhood Association have taken positions in opposition to the WSDOT/Amtrak proposal, and should be involved in the WUTC hearing process.

City Attorney Heidi Wachter will be our legal counsel on this matter, and Desiree Winkler in our Public Works Department will continue to be our point of staff contact. Please let me know if there is anything else we need to do at this point in relation to our concerns about all 7 crossings in Lakewood.

Sincerely,

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