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Communication (4/14/2022)

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Jillian Cromar WSBLE Draft EIS Comment

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William Cromar WSBLE Draft EIS Comment

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Jon Mathison WSBLE Draft EIS Comment

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Communication (4/14/2022)

Matthew Bailey Draft EIS Comment

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I am writing to submit my comments to Sound Transit's Draft Environmental Statement. We need to consider ridership in building ST3.

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Communication (4/14/2022)

Shane Clyburn WSBLE Draft EIS Comment

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Communication (4/14/2022)

Zackery Thill WSBLE Draft EIS Comment

Manager DEIS Comments,

I am writing to submit my comments to Sound Transit's Draft Environmental Statement. We need to consider ridership in building ST3.

Please do not eliminate to eliminate planned station. This is against transit riders' needs and voters' wishes. Eliminating stations would undermine trust in Sound Transit.

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Communication (4/14/2022)

Brandon Berg WSBLE Draft EIS Comment

Manager DEIS Comments,

I am writing to submit my comments and thoughts to Sound Transit's Draft Environmental Statement and strongly believe the Ballard-West Seattle Link Extension must put riders and increased ridership first.

Do not eliminate any stations from what voters approved with ST3 in 2016. Sound Transit should view this as the mandate and failure to deliver on this puts further expansion at risk.

There are a number of specifics that I want to be sure get highlighted:

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Thank you for your consideration and review of these comments.

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Communication (4/14/2022)

Erin Watkins WSBLE Draft EIS Comment

Manager DEIS Comments,

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Do not eliminate any stations from what voters approved with ST3 in 2016. This region is still growing, Ballard especially. More townhomes and density means we need all our stations, and we needed them 20 years ago.

Other suggestions:

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

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Lee Fitzgerald WSBLE Draft EIS Comment

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Communication (4/14/2022)

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