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Shawne Martinez in support of HB3453

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Hello!

I am a car-free bike Dad that moves through our state on an E-bike and on public transit. I choose to be car-free for the health, economic and environmental benefits. We love taking our bikes on the Amtrak train when we can and are planning a big trip by train this summer! We enjoy having a WES station near our home in Tigard and have taken our bikes on WES to Wilsonville to play putt-putt golf at Bullwinkle's Family Fun Center. Unfortunately, the limited schedule and few stops make it difficult to ride the WES when we would like. Expanding WES service to more cities and hopefully including weekend service (fingers crossed!) would be a great upgrade for our neighbors that want to choose a more environmentally responsible mode of travel than riding in a single occupancy car on I-5.

Please approve expanding the WES train to give Oregonians more choices in how they navigate our state.

Thank you for your time,
Shawne Martinez