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Dear Members of the Joint Committee on Transportation:

I am a Hood River resident and worked this last year at a little store called River General. I can't tell you how dependent the business was on tourists but if you know HR, you know how common it is. While at the store, I would direct tourists over to Bingen and White Salmon and store keepers over there would do the same. Having WS, B and HR so close makes it a much more attractive as a weekend shopping destination and the business is good for all of us.

I hope you will support Bill 2184 and fund the HR-WS bridge replacement project. The bridge has done a magnificent job these last 100 years linking our communities but we need a new, more modern structure to take us through the next 100 years. Thank you for your time and attention and for your support.