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Hello! I am a resident of the St Johns neighborhood in North Portland. My family has lived and owned a home here since 2008. We, along with our friends and neighbors, have had many worried conversations about the potential 'big one' earthquake that we've heard about. Most of these conversations end in a feeling of resigned helplessness, as we realize that it is very likely that when this disaster occurs, our families and community will be trapped and isolated on the peninsula while the river surrounding us burns with the fuel that has spilled out of the massive storage tanks across the river that are built on a liquefaction zone. As you can imagine, this is a horrifying prospect. Please move forward with this bill and appropriate money for a Columbia Boulevard crossing that could potentially save thousands of lives in the event of a disaster. Thank you for your consideration.