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On Behalf Of:

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Please include funds (\$5 million) for a design for a new bridge over Columbia Avenue in St. Johns (Portland). In the event of a major earthquake, all existing bridges will fail, and the peninsula coastline will be inaccessible due to liquefaction. St. Johns will have no means to evacuate a toxic cloud from the CEI hub and emergency aid and supplies will not be able to access the peninsula. This is a preventable tragedy - St. Johns deserves an emergency route in/out of the peninsula.