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Frog Ferry is something many in the city have wanted and looked forward to for a long time. It utilizes this great river resource that we inherently have. It gives an alternative to the roads which are bloated with cars and limited by our urban growth boundary. It's another electric transportation method. Is something different, and that's very Portland. St. John's and North Portland continues to grow and will continue to grow, and having this other source of transportation available and normalized will help alleviate transportation burden. The peninsula is an awesome place, but it's a bit limited and awkward when it comes to transportation options. Having a direct route from North Portland to downtown could lower reliance of going east to I5 and west over the St. John's bridge. It's about time Portland expands the utilization of the Willamette not just to be a playground or means for industry, but utilized as for everyday transportation. This amazing city only has so much space, so let's use it wisely and to the fullest. I believe now is the time to begin the life of the Frog Ferry.