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As a tax paying citizen in good standing and a 35 year resident of Portland Oregon I feel strongly that we need an extensive , modern passenger river ferry system to help with transportation issues as the city and State population continues to grow. In addition to the clear advantages of mitigating existing surface transportation issues - a river ferry system for public transportation is a very scalable system , allowing for expansion as future demand increases. Equally important is the ferry systems ability to be used for emergency services in natural disaster events. In future anticipated seismic events all manner of emergency surface transportation may be 100% compromised -it may very well be that an extensive river ferry transportation system could be directly responsible for saving thousands of lives and allow for the emergency transportation of emergency services equipment and personnel. Please make the portland river ferry system happen ass soon as possible

and ensure it's continued funding into the future. An extensive, fully functioning river transportation system is ling long overdue for Portland Oregon- please make this happen NOW ! Thank you , Jeff Sabo, Portland Oregon Resident.