



# Hood Canal Bridge Project

# Transportation Preferences Questionnaire



The State Route 104 Hood Canal Bridge will close for six weeks in May-June 2009 while the Washington State Department of Transportation and its contractor, Kiewit-General, replace the east half and transition spans. Project employees are working with tourism, business and community groups to help

travelers plan alternative routes during the closure. WSDOT is conducting public outreach to gather transportation options preferences for the May-June 2009 closure.

Your input will help WSDOT best serve your communities' travel needs, both business and personal. Please fill out

the information below and return it by June 6, 2008 to: WSDOT Hood Canal Bridge Project Office, 950 Broadway, Suite 501, Tacoma, WA 98402, e-mail [dolanb@wsdot.wa.gov](mailto:dolanb@wsdot.wa.gov) or fill out the questionnaire online at [www.hoodcanalbridge.com](http://www.hoodcanalbridge.com).

### 1. What most concerns you about the six-week bridge closure? (Circle one.)

- a. Being inconvenienced
- b. Not knowing the fastest route
- c. Not knowing whether traffic will be congested on Highway 101
- d. Being late for work
- e. A decreased number of tourists or customers
- f. Not being able to get to stores
- g. Not being able to get to medical care
- h. I'm not concerned about it
- i. Other (please specify)

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### 2. When you cross the Hood Canal Bridge, what usually is the main purpose of your trip? (Circle one.)

- a. Work
- b. School/college
- c. A social activity (going to movie, eating at a restaurant, attending an event, wedding, etc)
- d. A recreational activity (hiking, sports, shopping, etc.)
- e. A medical appointment
- f. A business appointment/delivery
- g. Visit the Olympic Peninsula
- h. Other (please specify)

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### 3. When I cross the Hood Canal Bridge, I am most often traveling from

\_\_\_\_\_ (community/city)

going to

\_\_\_\_\_ (community/city).

**WSDOT is working hard to help you get around. During the closure, a passenger-only water shuttle across Hood Canal is planned. Currently, there is no funding, available vessels or suitable docks to provide a car ferry across the Hood Canal. The information to the right and on the following page describes the two options for passenger-only service that are being considered.**

### Comparison between Passenger-only Service Options

Components	South Point to Lofall	Port Ludlow to Kingston
Capacity	600 riders per hour	450 riders per hour
Time on the water	20 minutes	45 minutes
Service frequency	Every 30 minutes, 2 boats	Every 45 minutes, 3 boats
Parking availability	3,000 remote parking stalls	175 on-site & 360 remote parking stalls at Port Ludlow; 230 on-site and 360 remote at Kingston
Bus from remote parking to water shuttle	Yes, 15 mins from parking area	Yes, 5-20+ mins from 3-4 parking areas
Walking distance from bus drop-off or on-site parking to water shuttle	500-600 feet	600-700 feet
Free transit from Port Angeles, Sequim, Port Townsend, Port Hadlock and Port Ludlow to west-side parking areas	Yes	Yes
Free transit from east-side parking area to Silverdale, Poulsbo, Bremerton, Kingston (including WSF terminals)	Yes	Yes

**How the Options Affect Your Trip: Travel Distance and Time Comparison for Passenger-only Service Options**

**South Point to Lofall  
Travel Time/Distance**

Origin/ Destination	Poulsbo/ Kingston	Bremerton/ Port Orchard	Seattle (via Bainbridge Ferry)
Sequim/ Port Angeles	1 h 50 m 46 miles	2 h 10 m 65 miles	2 h 53 m 67 miles
Port Townsend	1 h 34 m 31 miles	1 h 54 m 50 miles	2 h 37 m 52 miles
Port Ludlow	1 h 13 m 16 miles	1 h 33 m 35 miles	2 h 16 m 37 miles

**Port Ludlow to Kingston  
Travel Time/Distance**

Origin/ Destination	Poulsbo/ Kingston	Bremerton/ Port Orchard	Seattle (via Bainbridge Ferry)
Sequim/ Port Angeles	2 h 11 m 40 miles	2 h 38 m 62 miles	3 h 15 m 61 miles
Port Townsend	1 h 42 m 18 miles	2 h 9 m 40 miles	2 h 26 m 39 miles
Port Ludlow	1 h 15 m 0 miles	1 h 42 m 22 miles	2 h 19 m 21 miles

**4. Based on your travel preferences and those of your household or business, which option do you think will best meet your needs: (Circle one.)**

- a. South Point to Lofall
- b. Port Ludlow to Kingston
- d. Neither would help me

**Please tell us more about your choice.**

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**5. With this information in mind, when the Hood Canal Bridge is closed, what will be your preferred option to get around? (Circle one.)**

- a. Take either passenger-only water shuttle across Hood Canal
- b. Drive around by taking US 101 via connections:
  - 1. Olympia/I-5
  - 2. SR 3
  - 3. SR 3 to car ferry/ferries in Kitsap county (please specify):  
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  - 4. SR 106
  - 5. SR 106 to car ferry/ferries in Kitsap county (please specify):  
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  - 6. Greyhound/other bus service
- c. Reschedule this trip to a time when the bridge was open
- d. Other (please specify)  
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**6. In the future, what would be the best way to communicate with you about Hood Canal Bridge issues? (Circle one.)**

- a. E-mail - sign me up for the Hood Canal Bridge e-mail newsletter. **Provide your e-mail address:**

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b. Letter - mail information. **Provide your name and address:**

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- c. Fliers at local businesses/libraries/etc. **Specify locations:**

- d. Radio. **Specify which station(s):**

- e. Ad in a local newspaper. **Specify which papers:**

- f. Postcard sent to your home
- g. On the ferry (**please specify**):

- h. Signs approaching the bridge
- i. Other. (please specify):

**Thank you!** Please return this survey no later than June 6, 2008 to: WSDOT Hood Canal Bridge Project Office, 950 Broadway, Suite 501, Tacoma, WA 98402, e-mail [dolanb@wsdot.wa.gov](mailto:dolanb@wsdot.wa.gov), or fill out the questionnaire online at [www.hoodcanalbridge.com](http://www.hoodcanalbridge.com)

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