

November 20, 2018

Susan Bladholm The Frog Ferry 4430 SW Selling Court Portland, OR 97221

Dear Ms. Bladholm,

I am writing to express OHSU's support of the Frog Ferry.

The Portland Region continues to experience economic growth, creating a larger workforce and increasing traffic and congestion. As our roadways reach capacity, our region has an opportunity to alleviate some of this congestion by utilizing the Willamette River as a transportation corridor. The introduction of a water taxi could advance the region's goals to reduce congestion and air pollution, and help move people through this region in a more efficient and sustainable manner.

Your proposed water taxi also aligns with OHSU's Transportation Demand Management (TDM) Plan - our 10-year plan to improve access to OHSU as the institution grows. Today, OHSU has roughly 6,000 parking spaces to accommodate 20,000 daily visitors. We are already a leader in commuter services, with 60% of employees on the Marquam Hill and South Waterfront campuses commuting to work using alternative transportation options.

Through implementation of the TDM Plan, OHSU wants to reduce our drivealone rate even further. With a dock on the South Waterfront, a Willamette River water taxi would further leverage the City's Portland Aerial Tram and provide another commute option for our employees, students, and patients.

OHSU is eager to support the Frog Ferry as it moves forward in the planning and implementation phases of this project.

Sincerely,

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