Message from Save Our Trail PLEASE SIGN OUR ON-LINE PETITION!

Don't Let Mass Transit Destroy Our Trail

The Cross Kirkland Corridor Trail is a beautiful 5.75 mile walking and biking path that extends from Totem Lake to the South Kirkland Park and Ride. It is a segment of the larger Eastside Rail Corridor, owned by the city of Kirkland, with a 100 foot wide easement owned by Sound Transit. It is the only one of 17 rails-to-trails segments in the state that is being considered for mass transit.

What Will ST3 Cost You

Sound Transit is proposing a \$54 billion, 25-year package that affects everyone in King, Pierce and Snohomish Counties. It depends on an increase in property tax, sales tax, and motor vehicle excise tax.

Here's how it was explained in a March 24, 2016 Seattle Times Article:

"The new taxes equate to \$392 per year for a typical household*, the agency says. That covers not only light rail but bus-rapid transit, Sounder commuter trains, park-and-ride garages, operating subsidy and a long-term maintenance fund. The increases are in addition to the Sound Transit taxes that voters approved in 1996 and 2008, which average \$330 per household, and would continue being collected.

There would be no sunset date on the taxes, as long as they go to build and operate voter-approved service."

Transit on our Trail will cost 3 to 5X more per rider than buses on I-405. Let's insist that our tax dollars are used in a way that provides transportation services to the greatest number of people at the best possible price and that is - bus rapid transit on I-405.

*Source: February 8, 2016 WSDOT ST3 Financial Plan.

HERE'S WHAT YOU CAN DO!

Make our message to Sound Transit clear:
We will VOTE NO ON ST3 if any current or future
plans include mass transit on our Trail.

SIGN OUR ON-LINE PETITION AT SAVEOURTRAIL.ORG

Join 2,600+ trail users who are residents from many neighborhoods of Kirkland, commuters, and visitors from surrounding communities who want a pedestrian and bike friendly only trail for generations to come. We are also supported by other organizations such as Eastside Audubon and Puget Sound Anglers. If you agree with our cause, please sign our on-line petition!

PROVIDE MORE FEEDBACK

You can mail comments to: Sound Transit

401 S. Jackson Street Seattle, WA 98104

And/or send Emails to:

- The Sound Transit Board <u>EmailTheBoard@soundtransit.org</u>
- John Marchione mayor@redmond.gov
- Claudia Balducci claudia.balducci@kingcounty.gov
- Fred Butler <u>mayor@issaquahwa.gov</u>

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