

**WILLAMETTE HEIGHTS
NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION**

December 22, 1971

George Baldwin, Administrator Designate
Highway Division
State Department of Transportation
Salem, Oregon 97300

Dear Mr. Baldwin:

In the light of Judge Goodwin's recent decision on the I-505 freeway, our neighborhood associations would like to cooperate with you in examining the alternatives to the present corridor, both with reference to the environmental impact statement and the forthcoming corridor hearing. We should appreciate being informed as soon as a date and place for the hearing is determined, but before the hearing itself we believe it would be in keeping with the spirit of the environmental guidelines to provide you with "input" from the neighborhoods affected by the corridor decision. Both our organizations will be happy to have representatives participate in a meeting with you on all the relevant issues.

Our associations feel that it is more important to fully explore the environmental implications of alternative corridor locations than to offer a superficial statement geared to the court imposed deadlines. We, therefore, would be sympathetic to an extension of the dates specified in Judge Goodwin's decision if this would result in a more thorough examination of the corridor problems. We would be interested in your reaction to these questions.

Sincerely yours,

Morton Paglin, President
Willamette Heights
Neighborhood Association

George Sheldon, President
Northwest District Association

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cc: U.S. Department of Transportation