



June 10, 2022

City of Stevenson
7121 E Loop Road
Stevenson, WA 98648

Mayor Anderson,

The Skamania County Chamber of Commerce board met on June 9, 2022 and discussed the Cascade Avenue project as part of our agenda. We would like to express our opposition to restricting access to the Kanaka Creek Underpass section of Cascade Avenue to pedestrian and bicycle traffic as proposed in the updated 2023 TIP.

The Stevenson waterfront area is a popular destination for visitors and residents alike. It is also home to several businesses and our concern is that this restriction would eliminate quick and easy emergency access in or out of that area should the railroad crossing on Russell Avenue be blocked. Instead, please consider keeping the road open and adding additional signage, mirrors and/or other safety features to make this a more pedestrian friendly road that will continue to serve the businesses, residents and visitors that enjoy our beautiful waterfront.

Thank you for your consideration,

Angie Wajss
Executive Director
Skamania County Chamber of Commerce