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Opposition to Cascade Ave. restrictive use - Port of Skamania County

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Good Morning Mayor Anderson,

The Port of Skamania County Commissioners met Tuesday (5/17/22) and would like to record their unanimous and strong opposition to restricting Cascade Avenue access as proposed in the 2023 6-year TIP.

The Stevenson waterfront area is used by tens of thousands of visitors each year and home to many residents and dozens of businesses. It is accessed via two city roads (Russell and Cascade). Russell Street access has an at-grade railroad crossing. Cascade Avenue provides an important egress/access point that goes under the railroad tracks. Any restrictive use of this road creates a safety hazard for all residents, businesses, and visitors on the waterfront.

Cascade Avenue is not an ideal road but it has served the community for decades and City staff did a wonderful job replacing the bridge over Kanaka last year. Please don't endanger and inconvenience city residents and visitors but instead simply consider grading the road and keeping it open for use.

Unfortunately I am out of town Thursday but would happily meet with you or any City Council member after I return Friday afternoon.

Thank you for your consideration – Pat

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