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July 21, 2010

The Honorable Joan McGilton
Mayor, City of Burien
400 SW 152nd Street
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Dear Mayor McGilton:

Thank you for your letter of July 1, 2010 requesting that the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) scope a proposed project at the above referenced location. Our Urban Planning Office has enjoyed partnering with you in analyzing potential improvements at SR 518/Des Moines Memorial Drive and I certainly understand your interest in moving this project forward.

This year's budget did provide WSDOT with \$2,000,000 to be used statewide for "scoping unfunded state highway projects to ensure that a well-vetted project list is available for future program funding discussions." As you can imagine, there are a number of high priority projects throughout the state that would benefit from further analysis and we are working on a plan to ensure that those with the greatest need and benefit receive funding.

We will consider inclusion of the SR 518 Des Moines Memorial Drive Interchange Project as we develop our scoping plan.

Should you have any further questions, please contact our Northwest Region Administrator, Lorena Eng at 206.440.4706 or EngL@wsdot.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Paula J. Hammond, P.E.
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cc: Burien City Council
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