

Sharon Nasset
Economic Transportation Alliance
Founder

North Portland Business Association – 2000-2005
Board Member and Transportation Chair

Representative on I-5 Trade and Transportation Partnership's as Community Forum Committee Leader

Authored a plan to remove non-local truck traffic off the North Portland peninsula accepted into the I-5 Partnership study and recommended was for further study.

North Portland Business Association - Transportation Chair during
Renovation of the Historic St. Johns' Bridge
City of Portland St. Johns' Truck Strategy study and hearing
City of Lombard Street Project

Concerned Neighbors for Save Lombard.com - Organizer 2003-2005

Community survey for transportation needs

Organizer four citizen town halls meetings with over 100 people at each

Held meeting to teach citizens how to testify at government hearings

Organized letter, post card, and phone campaigns to inform elected officials

Organized canvassing, sign waving, and fliering of several neighborhoods

Result: Project scaled back by 80% and changes requested by neighborhood incorporated

Think Tank – Creator

Think tank met weekly for two years on transportation and transit needs. With had speaker, elected officials came, and action items were accomplished

Third Bridge Now Project – Author 2003- current

Project to removed Freight and Hazardous Material Designated Routes out of several neighborhoods provided infrastructure to our ports and industrial thereby resulting in attracting business and jobs to our community.

Removes “cut-through” traffic from several residential neighborhoods adjacent to the I-5 freeway.

Remove airpollution and congestion from several neighborhoods

Creates safer streets with less congestion

Creates a new freeway bi-pass to our ports and industrial area from the I-5 freeway in Oregon and Washington

Accepted in the current bi-state Columbia River Crossing study project as an alternative -2005

Environmental Justice Group –

Participated meetings concerning clean air issues for North and Northeast, Portland

Presentations

Invited guest to testify to legislative committees

Continual presentations to civil organizations, boards, committees, and elected bodies on the need for better transportation and transit and how it affects the economy, safety, and the environment.

Legislative Work

Regularly attend meetings at the Oregon Capital while in session and to meet with elected officials.
Attend meeting at the Washington State Capital while in session and meet with elected officials.

Education and Outreach Work

We have been spending much of our time attending meetings on these issues, putting on events, town halls, providing accurate data, and accurate information to committees and citizens concerning the CRC and other transportation projects. The education process involves elected officials, civil organizations, citizen groups, and the general public. With correct data and sufficient information we can choose a really good regional transportation plan with as many benefits as possible.

Education and awareness is helping to form a process and projects that met transportation needs of our community not the predetermined political agendas of a few. We believe that providing a level playing field with involved citizens making informed decisions is a goal we can reach.

Helping provide accurate information concerning

NEPA process not followed, what is considered “Thorough” was not equally applied to a range of alternatives

Tolling information and privacy issues

Light rail not a requirement for federal funding

The Bridge Influence Area boundaries are being described inaccurately-removing majority of projects with out being studied

Information on the quality of the bridge 60 yrs. life, ect documents

Documents on other bridges that are failing in OR?WA

Info bridge upgrades Yes seismic, and 95% less lifts.... With upgrade to rail bridge.

The Project Sponsor Council having secret meeting for the first 18 months

4(f) Historical Resource requirements not being followed

the Project Sponsor Council was disband in 2007 and the staff ran the project

The citizen advisory CRC Task Force was to meet regular until Record Of Decision –the were disband in 2008 and Record OF Decision was Dec. 2011. Procedures not followed

The Locally Preferred alternative has 138 caveats.... That have not been met.

Job loss not being calculated correctly

Actives

Helped organize the downtown group

Introduced Tiffany around in Salem to the Legislators

Alternative River Crossing 2 day open event at the Clark County Service Building

More than ½ dozen - Train rides to show how close and vacant our transportation corridor is and that it needs infrastructure with elected officials, business owners, and citizens

Member Smarter Bridge Committee

We had press conference on Vancouver Waterfront .

Organized and trained citizens how to be a citizen lobbyist.

Several information forums, information tables at events including parades.

Attend

Regularly meeting

Including monthly

SW WA Regional Transportation Council , CTRAN, Etc

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