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# George Massey Crossing Project

Phase 2: Crossing Options  
Richmond General Purposes Committee  
October 15, 2019

Schedule 1 to the Minutes of the  
Special General Purposes  
Committee meeting of Richmond  
City Council held on Tuesday,  
October 15, 2019.



# Agenda

- Planning and engagement to date
- What we heard
- Options analysis
- Request to select preferred option



## Project Update

- Completed initial meetings with interested councils
- Finalized principles, goals and objectives
- Developed long-list of options
- Developed evaluation framework
- Retained technical consultants
- Worked with Task Force and agency staff
- Concurrent engagements with First Nations
- Stakeholder meetings on request
- Public input ongoing



# Process Recap





# Project Principles

Align with  
regional  
plans and  
respect  
Aboriginal  
Interests

Safety

Reliability

Connectivity



## Project Goals

Support sustainability  
of Fraser River  
Communities

Facilitate increased  
share of sustainable  
modes of transport

Enhance regional  
goods movement and  
commerce

Support a healthy  
environment



# Task Force Engagement Process





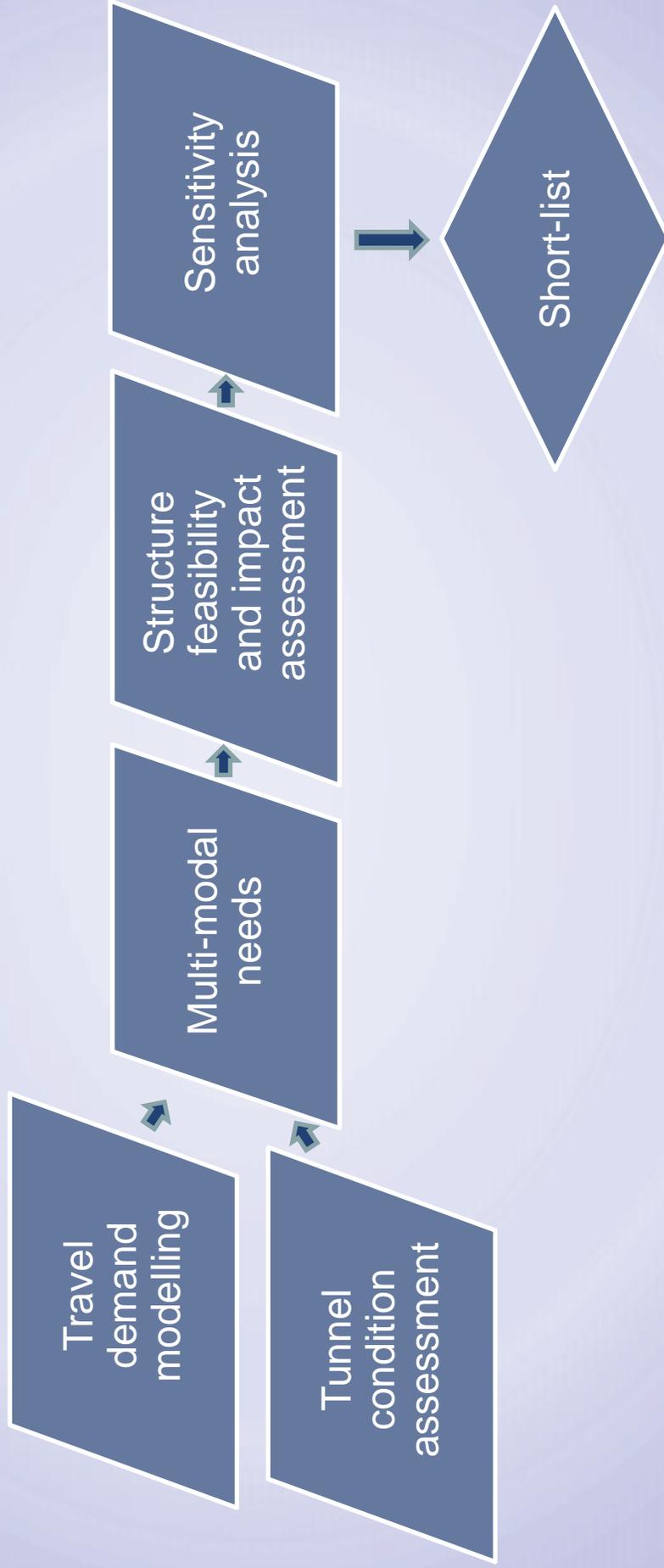
## Long-list of Options

18 potential options identified:

- 6-8 lanes
- Consideration of counterflow
- With and without the existing tunnel
- Transit, cycling and pedestrian provisions
- Range of structural options



# Long-list Evaluation Process





## Short-list Evaluation Framework - Highlights

- Safety
- Travel time
- Agricultural & industrial land
- Communities quality of life
- Project completion timeline
- Transit trip times
- Ease of future expansion to rail transit



## Lane Alternatives Analysis Summary

- 6-lane generates significant benefits in the off-peak direction on Hwy 99; some peak direction benefits.
- 8-lane **with** transit dedication incentivizes transit use and provides upside future Hwy 99 resilience benefits.
- 8-lane **without** transit dedication generates overall network benefits but limits transit network benefits.



## Endorsed Options Short-list

*All options include 2 lanes dedicated for transit and cycling/pedestrian paths*

- 8-lane deep bored tunnel (DBT)
- 8-lane immersed tube tunnel (ITT)
- 8-lane bridge
- 6-lane DBT + transit lanes in existing tunnel
- 6-lane ITT + transit lanes in existing tunnel
- 6-lane bridge + transit lanes in existing tunnel



## What we've heard from the Task Force

- Urgency to move forward quickly
- Promoting transit use is imperative
- Concern about lifespan of existing tunnel
- Desire to manage risk and cost



## Existing Tunnel

**Options using the existing tunnel have greater impacts than all-new options due to:**

- In-river ground densification
- Environmental Assessment extended timeline
- Up to 5 minutes longer for transit trips
- Shorter lifespan
- Additional cost (hundreds of millions)





## Benchmark Comparisons for Costing

### Deep Bored Tunnel:

- 8 recent projects in the U.S., Italy, Hong Kong and Australia
- None with our soil or seismic conditions

### Immersed Tube Tunnel:

- 7 projects in the U.S. and northern Europe

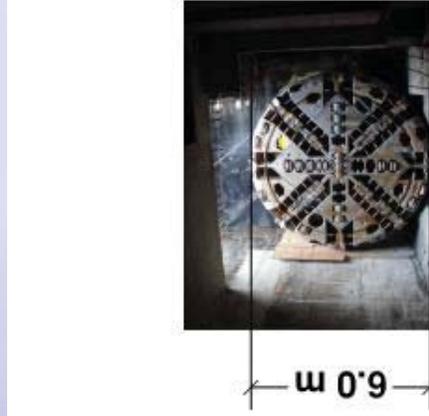


# Deep Bored Tunnel Concept Design





## Deep Bored Tunnel Size Reference



Canada Line



Evergreen Line



*SR99 (Bertha)*  
Slightly smaller than  
would be required



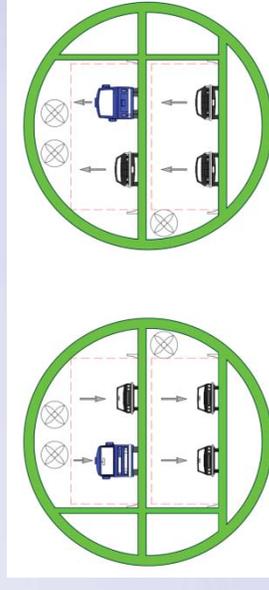
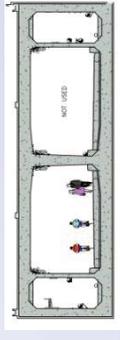
## Deep Bored Tunnel Cross Section





## Deep Bored Tunnel

- Significant risk of multiple sinkholes
- Longest timeframe to completion
- Extends beyond Steveston and Hwy 17A I/C
- Increased transit trip times
- Existing tunnel must be retained for pedestrians and cyclists
- ALR impacts – up to 200 acres
- Approx. 3 times cost of ITT/bridge





## Deep Bored Tunnel Interchange Footprint



Preliminary draft for discussion purposes only





# Immersed Tube Tunnel Concept Design





# Immersed Tube Tunnel Concept Planview





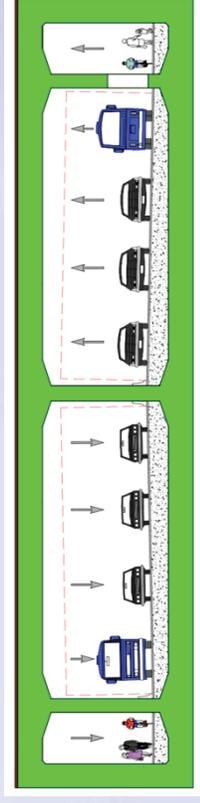
# Immersed Tube Tunnel Portal





## Immersed Tube Tunnel

- Temporary environmental impact during construction;
- lowest long term impact
- Greatest potential for environmental enhancements
- Medium timeframe to completion
- Low property impact
- Comparable order of magnitude cost to bridge





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# Long Span Bridge Concept Planview





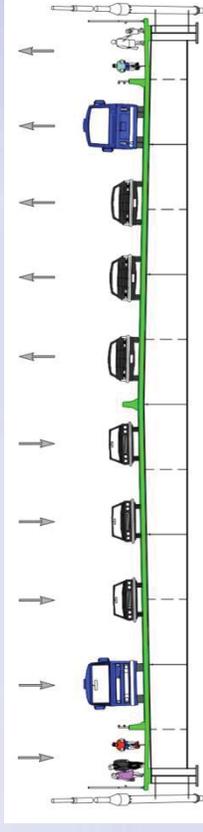
# Long Span Bridge Concept Design





## Long Span Bridge

- Long term noise, visual and shading impacts
- Land-side property impacts
- No in-river disturbance
- Shortest timeframe to completion
- Comparable order of magnitude cost to ITT
- Local construction expertise





## Technology Summary

Option	Bore Tunnel	Immersed Tube	Long-span Bridge
<b>Environment Impacts</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sinkhole potential</li> <li>• ALR</li> <li>• Ground densification</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In-river construction</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Noise, visual and shade</li> </ul>
<b>Est. Schedule</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EA</li> <li>• Construction</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3 yr</li> <li>• 7 yr</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3 yr</li> <li>• 5 yr</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 yr</li> <li>• 5 yr</li> </ul>
<b>Construction Risk</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• High</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Medium</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Low</li> </ul>
<b>High level cost estimate</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approx. 3 times cost of ITT/bridge</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Comparable cost to bridge</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Comparable cost to ITT</li> </ul>



## Goals Summary

### Key differences by goal area:

- **Goal 1:** ALR impact, timeline
- **Goal 2:** Transit, cycling + pedestrian experience
- **Goal 3:** Goods and service reliability, industrial land impact
- **Goal 4:** In-river impact, community livability



Not aligned



Somewhat aligned



Aligned



## Goal Achievement Analysis Summary

Goal	Bored Tunnel	Immersed Tube	Bridge
<b>Goal 1:</b> Support community sustainability			
<b>Goal 2:</b> Increase share of sustainable modes			
<b>Goal 3:</b> Enhance regional goods movement			
<b>Goal 4:</b> Support healthy environment			

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# Thank You