

# VOTE NO I-1125

## Keep Washington Rolling

**Tim Eyman's Initiative 1125 will appear on the November ballot. Masquerading as a measure about tolling, 1125 is a dangerous and irresponsible initiative designed to halt major transportation projects across the state. At a time when our economy most needs help, I-1125 would mire our communities in gridlock, stall vital projects around the state and threaten businesses across the state.**

### **I-1125: A recipe for gridlock**

According to Eyman, if I-1125 passes it would kill the voter-approved plan to build light rail across Lake Washington on the I-90 floating bridge. That alone would create gridlock and hurt our economy-making it impossible for local businesses to get around and discouraging new business from opening in the Puget Sound region.

### **I-1125: Stalling progress around the state**

I-1125 threatens current and future projects around the state. Among those in danger are the Evergreen Point floating bridge replacement across Lake Washington, Clark County's Columbia River Crossing and Seattle's Alaskan Way Viaduct. But the threat doesn't stop there--it also means that every community in Washington risks seeing their vital projects blocked, causing more gridlock, more hassle and stalling growth. We can't afford Tim Eyman's prescription for gridlock. We can't afford I-1125.

### **Turns our transportation system into a game of politics, not policy**

Currently, an independent, non-partisan commission sets toll rates in the state. I-1125 would take toll rates out of the hands of that independent commission and turn it over to the state legislature. That's a recipe for political game playing. The idea of a legislator from Seattle setting toll rates in Eastern Washington or having a politician in Walla Walla determining important transportation policies in the Puget Sound area makes no sense -- that's why no other state in the country lets politicians in the legislature set toll rates.

### **Tim Eyman's bad policy is back--and this time he is fronting for a wealthy developer**

This isn't the first time that Eyman has sponsored a measure aimed at changing transportation policy and creating more gridlock. In recent years, several Eyman-backed transportation measures have been defeated at the polls or thrown out by the courts because they are poorly written or aren't constitutional.

Eyman has received the bulk of his contributions for I-1125, over \$1 million, from a single donor, Bellevue developer Kemper Freeman. Freeman wants to use I-1125 as a backdoor means to block the voter-approved construction of light rail on I-90 across Lake Washington.

### **Who is opposed to I-1125?**

The health of our communities and the health of our economy relies on good transportation policy that keeps people moving. I-1125 threatens to create gridlock around the state, damaging our quality of life and our economy. That's why a nearly unprecedented coalition of business, labor, environmental and community leaders have come together to oppose Initiative 1125 under the banner of Keep Washington Rolling.

**Tim Eyman's I-1125 will harm our economy and cost us jobs when we need them most.**