PROJECT OVERVIEW
The Ballard Bridge Planning Study explores feasible rehabilitation and replacement options for the long-term future of the bridge by identifying associated costs, risks, benefits, and trade-offs of each option. It is the second of 10 studies to help us assess and manage roadway structure maintenance needs and maximize future investments. While we perform regular maintenance and frequent inspections on the bridge to ensure it’s operational and safe for road and marine traffic, due to the age of the structure, more significant rehabilitation may be needed. Since the bridge is in good condition today, we have an opportunity to plan.

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PROJECT UPDATE
In the early stages of the project we conducted an online survey asking the community to share how they use and value the bridge. Key findings showed:
- 83% currently travel the bridge by car with the majority of travel taking place on weekends
- The majority of respondents prioritized improvements for people biking (60%) and people walking (52%)

For more information, checkout the online survey summary on our webpage.

Through the end of the year, we will continue refining cost estimates, feasibility, traffic analyses, and constructability for the 3 alternatives. We expect to present a comparison of the alternatives in a final report this winter.

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BALLARD BRIDGE OPTIONS

HIGH LEVEL FIXED BRIDGE REPLACEMENT
5% slope / 6,435 ft long

MID LEVEL MOVEABLE BRIDGE REPLACEMENT
Significant reduction in number of bridge openings.
5% slope / 5,335 ft long

REHABILITATION OF EXISTING MOVEABLE BRIDGE (LOW LEVEL)
Similar number of bridge openings to today.
1.5% slope / 3,035 ft long

Note: Images are not to scale.