

Environmental justice

Tolling

- Tolling on SR 520 would disproportionately affect low-income, car-dependent users because they will have to spend a higher proportion of their income on the toll.
- WSDOT and FHWA will work with social service agencies to help low-income clients understand options available to them for paying tolls.
- Frequent bridge users will likely use transponders with prepaid accounts. WSDOT and FHWA have identified measures to make it easier for low-income users such as:
 - Establishing customer service centers that can handle cash transactions.
 - Using Electronic Benefit Transfer cards to establish and replenish accounts.
 - Conducting outreach in multiple languages.



Electronic tolling currently used on the New Tacoma Narrows Bridge

Tribal treaty rights

- The Muckleshoot Indian Tribe has treaty rights to fish in the project area. Construction activities in Lake Washington could prevent or limit access to tribal fishing areas for a period of several years.