

# DRAFT

## Subtopic E9: Future Oil Supply

Thirty-eight public and agency comments are related to the E9: Future Oil Supply subtopic. From those 38 comments, 6 common concern statements were created. Themes expressed in the E9: Future Oil Supply subtopic include the following:

- The Draft PEIS assumed continued availability of cheap oil in evaluating alternatives and did not include long-term issues such as energy consumption rates, status of the oil supply, and global warming.
- The Draft PEIS did not acknowledge that dwindling oil supplies and increasing fuel prices would limit travel demand.
- With the need to decrease reliance on foreign oil, mass transit alternatives should receive greater consideration and renewable fuels should be considered for Transit alternatives.
- Highway alternatives would encourage use of limited petroleum resources and exacerbate global warming from fossil fuels.
- There were questions regarding the feasibility of the Highway alternatives based on dwindling oil and asphalt resources and increasing gasoline costs.
- New fuel options such as organic and renewable fuels should be considered for Transit alternatives.

<b>CCS No.</b>	<b>Transportation Common Concern Statements (CCSs)</b>
<b>Subtopic E9: Future Oil Supply</b>	
<b>E9-a</b>	<b>Oil Availability Assumptions</b> The Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) assumes continued availability of cheap oil in the evaluation of alternatives and does not include related significant long-term issues such as energy consumption rates, the predicted increase in worldwide petroleum demand, the status of the oil supply, fuel costs, and global warming.
<b>E9-b</b>	<b>Limits on Travel Demand</b> The Draft PEIS does not address the idea that dwindling oil supplies and increasing fuel prices will limit travel demand.
<b>E9-c</b>	<b>Reliance on Foreign Oil</b> The need to decrease reliance on foreign oil should give mass transit alternatives greater consideration.
<b>E9-d</b>	<b>Exacerbation of Environmental Impacts</b> Highway alternatives would encourage the use of limited petroleum resources and exacerbate environmental impacts (such as global warming) from fossil fuels.
<b>E9-e</b>	<b>Dwindling Oil and Asphalt Resources</b> The feasibility of the Highway alternatives is questionable based on dwindling oil and asphalt resources (during the next 50 to 75 years) and increasing gasoline costs.
<b>E9-f</b>	<b>New Fuel Options</b> New fuel options that include organic and renewable fuels, natural gas, and hydrogen should be considered for the Bus in Guideway alternatives, AGS alternative, or mass transit alternatives in general.