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I am writing to voice my concern about the proposed superstore coming into the Kingswood area. I drive the Littlerock Road section by the Tumwater Middle school nearly every day. I have noticed a huge increase in traffic at most hours of the day. Could it be from people going to and from the state office buildings off of Tumwater BLVD? What will 9,716 more trips be like in that area? Widening Littlerock to 4 lanes would ruin the neighborhoods. As a mother of elementary school children who will attend Tumwater Middle school, I am also concerned what the traffic will be like in the future next to the school. I think the area needs to be developed to blend into the surrounding neighborhoods. We need bike paths and pedestrian areas. Tie in small shops to the pedestrian overpass. More people are looking at bicycle commuting, especially with the gas prices. Tumwater needs to offer those people a safe way to pass through the area. If Walmart really wants a store in Tumwater, I suggest that they use a fraction of their billion dollars and invest in our city to make it a better place. Tumwater was ruined once by allowing a freeway to destroy it's heart. Please don't let that happen again.

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