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I would like to add a checklist for the special dinner meeting this Monday (8/15) touring the light rail stations. Hopefully you can drive 185th from Aurora to the station and sense what 30,000 households will need from that road, and how non-residents share that road especially if CT Swift and Metro Rapid Ride create a turnaround at the station.

At 145th, venture out the current bus ramp (not as far as parallel to the freeway) and sense the "place making" potential of this station. Picture the multimodal overpass on the west side of the interchange and take the east side underpass to sense the noise and time to get from the Southside bus stop to the North station area (is there still a sleeping bag under there?). Remember the buttonhook on-ramp for I5 north uses the lane between the walkway and the bridge support.

From the station area look at the ¼ mile pedshed around 145th, how many fewer walking commuters will there be with a hotel close to the intersection? One of the first identified buildings for the new station area was a hotel and it doesn't add much to the walkability and vibe of the station area.

Take notice of 5th Avenue between 155th and 145th, see how the land drops off toward the freeway, the draft market study by the Leland group made note on 145th that such a condition was a poor place to build density because ground level commercial wasn't visible from the street. Enjoy the green trees around the existing Park & Ride lot, they will all be gone in just a few years.

Enjoy your trip!

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