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MR. McLAUGHLIN: I would like to address

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the option 4A and ask that a connection,

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additional connections for commuter rail be

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analyzed in this process.

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A one-seat connection, one-seat ride

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connection between the east-west commuter

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rail corridor and the north-south Hudson Line

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should be examined. The ridership coming

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from the south that is now on the three or

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four highways coming from the south, that's

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on the Sprain, the Thruway, the Saw Mill,

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that should be examined. And from the north,

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the Taconic, the Saw Mill, and the Sprain,

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some of this traffic, some of this highway

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traffic could be moved to rail if there was

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an easy one-seat ride connection into the

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Cross Westchester line, into White Plains and

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beyond to the Platinum Mile and to

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Portchester. The platinum Mile area is

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mainly in Harrison and on to Portchester and

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vice versa.



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Today, you can't get between Yonkers and White Plains or Portchester by rail unless you go into New York City. And the same thing, you can't get from Poughkeepsie to White Plains or Portchester or vice versa by rail unless you go into New York City.

And I think a rail connection would be helpful. And I understand that they can possibly change trains at the Tappan Zee station under the current design, but they would potentially lose a number of people that would otherwise ride the train, take the train option if there was a one-seat ride implemented, which would mean putting in an additional rail connection near the Tappan Zee station. That's my statement.

