



August 25, 2008

Mark Dettle, Director
Department of Public Works
City of Santa Cruz
809 Center Street
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

RE: King Street bicycle facilities

Dear Mr. Dettle:

I am writing on behalf of the Bicycle Committee of the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission to express our appreciation for the development of the King Street Bikeway Concept Plan. Now that the Concept Plan is complete and a community meeting has been held, the Bicycle Committee urges you to proceed swiftly to complete the necessary analysis needed to select a course of action to improve the King Street corridor for bicycle travel. Since King Street is used as a primary access route to a number of schools in the area, increasing the safety and ease of travel of cyclists utilizing on-street facilities (rather than sidewalks) and encouraging additional ridership on this corridor is of the utmost importance. Additionally, efforts are under way to divert bicycle traffic off Mission Street and on to adjacent streets making King Street a critical segment of the City's bikeway network.

Thank you for considering the Bicycle Committee's recommendation on this matter. Please feel free to contact the Regional Transportation Commission's Bicycle Coordinator and staff to the Bicycle Committee, Cory Caletti at (831) 460-3201 or by email at ccaletti@sccrtc.org, for this and any other Bicycle Committee related matters.

Sincerely,

Daniel Kostelec
Chair, SCCRTC Bicycle Committee

cc: City of Santa Cruz City Council
Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission
Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission's Bicycle Committee

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