



To: Mayor and Council Maple Ridge

January 21, 2019

Dear Mayor and Council members,

On behalf of HUB Cycling, the Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows HUB Committee and our many local supporters, please accept our congratulations on your success in the 2018 civic elections. We appreciate your hard work and commitment to serving on Maple Ridge Council.

HUB Cycling is a charitable not-for-profit organization that works to get more people cycling for transportation more often, through education, action, and events. We are Metro Vancouver's leader in making cycling an attractive choice for everyone. We have over 2,000 members and 40,000 direct contacts (29 paying members and 500+ contacts in Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows area). We serve on TransLink's Transportation Advisory Board and our local committee is represented on HUB's Regional Action Committee as well.

HUB Cycling was established in 1998 to improve cycling conditions in Metro Vancouver. Since then, we've grown a lot! We've impacted infrastructure, educated thousands of children and adults and motivated thousands more to cycle more often. Our local Committee will be celebrating its 10th anniversary next month. To learn more please visit <u>bikehub.ca</u>.

We would like to meet with you, and potentially:

- answer any questions you may have about HUB Cycling and our work, and to discuss the benefits of encouraging cycling within Maple Ridge but also to and from surrounding municipalities, for transportation and recreation.
- and review the areas that are of concern, possibly on a leisurely bike ride of one or more of these areas.

Please let us know when you are available to meet.

We look forward to partnering together so that we can realize mutual goals of:

- helping to increase mobility and accessibility for people of all ages and abilities, as well as all income levels, by encouraging cycling as an alternative to transportation by private automobile;
- improving safety on our roads;
- ✤ "<u>UnGapTheMap</u>"
- improving the environment;
- fostering healthy, active lifestyles;
- ✤ creating lifelong patterns of active living.

Once again, congratulations on your new positions serving the citizens of Maple Ridge. Should the need arise for additional insight on issues involving cycling in and around Maple Ridge, please know that we are eager to participate and it remains within our committee's mandate to assist where needed.

Sincerely,

Ivan Chow and Barry Bellamy, co-chairs HUB Cycling Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows Chapter

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For more information about the Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows HUB Committee: https://bikehub.ca/mr-pm