



To: Dave Currie, City of Port Coquitlam
Re: Proposed Multi-Use Path for Kingsway
Date: 13- February 2014

Dear Mr. Currie:

As we discussed at our local TriCities HUB Committee meeting on February 4, our Committee strongly supports the proposed mixed-use-path (MUP) along Kingsway (report to Port Coquitlam Transportation Solutions and Operations Committee, October 4, 2012). Below are some general and specific comments on the MUP.

The proposed path will provide much needed regional connectivity for recreational and commuter cyclists whose comfort level with road riding is low. The path is centrally located in the highest density region of Port Coquitlam. It will provide an important connection to the Coast Meridian Overpass and the new Broadway bike lane. The path will also provide good connectivity with the Port Coquitlam West Coast Express station.

A separated bike lane makes sense in this area given the very large right-of-way width due to the presence of the hydro lines etc. At 4m, the width of the path will easily accommodate both cyclists and pedestrians.

In the future we hope that a second leg will be completed extending this path all the way to Maryhill bypass.

We recommend that signage be placed at the half dozen or so industrial driveways to warn motorists not to block the MUP. We also recommend that consideration be given to applying green coatings at the driveway crossings to warn drivers they are crossing a bike lane as has been done in Vancouver in several of the new bike facilities.

In summary, we strongly support the proposed MUP.

Sincerely

Simon Watkins and Jack Trumley
Co-chair, for the TriCities HUB Committee

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