

Cyclist crossing of on-ramp onto Hwy 7 from Haney Bypass

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Hi Theodore,

I'm a member of the Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows Local Committee of HUB Cycling.

We would like to bring the following to your attention.

Crossing the on-ramp from the Haney Bypass onto Hwy 7 eastbound at Kanaka Way is quite challenging for cyclists coming from Loughheed Hwy continuing east on Hwy 7. Motor vehicles routinely travel at speeds of 80 to 100 km/h on the on-ramp, and it's challenging for drivers to spot cyclists in the bike lane on their left as they're preparing to merge.

I have attached a few photos of the situation.

As you know the intersection has been re-designed over the last few years, and we've received worrisome feedback from cyclists since.

We would really appreciate some safety improvements here before someone gets killed. Some ideas that were suggested so far:

- green paint where cyclists are to cross the on-ramp
- warning lights similar to the pedestrian warning lights

We're not sure if it's possible to automatically trigger the warning lights, which would be a great solution.

It would be much appreciated if you could look into this. We would be happy to meet with you at this location for an in-person review of the situation.

If you feel it would be more appropriate for another person at MoTI to deal with this issue, could you please pass along this e-mail?

With kind regards,

Jackie Chow
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