



May 25, 2021

City of North Vancouver  
Mo Bot, Project Manager, Public Realm Infrastructure  
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Dear City of North Vancouver Staff,

**Re: Thank You for the Esplanade Complete Street Project**

HUB Cycling is a charitable organization working on getting more people cycling more often. We make cycling better through education, action and events. More cycling means healthier, happier, more connected communities.

The HUB Cycling North Shore Committee would like to formally thank you for the Esplanade corridor design that improves the comfort and safety of pedestrians, cyclists and other vulnerable road users. We would also like to thank staff for their time in joining our HUB Cycling North Shore Committee meeting on the evening of May 6<sup>th</sup> to present the preliminary design, and to provide us with the opportunity to comment and share our input. We are generally impressed with the design and believe the suggested changes will enable people of all ages and abilities to safely use Esplanade to travel actively through North Vancouver. We are particularly pleased to see the protected intersection at Chesterfield, a first on the North Shore, which will hopefully set the stage for more.

As you review input from the Phase 2 engagement, and develop the final design, please consider the following suggestions:

- Implement clear signage and wayfinding along the corridor. It is especially important to make wayfinding to parking lots prominent.
- Make it clear to people cycling whether they should advance with pedestrian or vehicle signals, recognizing that advanced walk signals will be activated at intersections.
- Plant low growing species along mobility lanes to ensure clear sightlines for people cycling and people driving.
- Increase mobility lane widths where possible, especially uphill along Forbes.
- Reduce hazards due to vehicles turning right (south toward BCIT) at the bottom of Forbes.
- At mobility lane crossings to bus stop islands, consider treatments to reduce possible conflicts.
- Address crossings at the intersection of Forbes and 3<sup>rd</sup>.

We are very appreciative of your efforts to improve the Esplanade corridor. We look forward to seeing the final design, and for construction to commence later this year.

Yours sincerely,

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