



## 203 Street Improvements - Dewdney Trunk Road to Golden Ears Way - Open House Feb. 17, 2015

### Comments HUB Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows Chapter:

Our HUB committee has a preference for the design proposed by ISL, which shows bike lanes in both directions, with the bike lane on the east side between the parked cars and the traffic lane.

We would have liked to support the more innovative alternative design that shows the bike lane on the east side between the parked cars and the sidewalk, but due to the number of driveways and side streets to be crossed on 203rd Street, we agree that the option mentioned above would be safer for cyclists.

We would like to make the following recommendations:

- Width of car lanes should be narrow to discourage speeding, which is an increasingly common problem in Maple Ridge.
- Tight turn radii to slow turning cars down. That includes on Dewdney and Golden Ears Way.
- Add buffer between bike lane and parked cars on east side.
- Disallow parking close to driveways to improve sight lines.
- Add "picket fence" along bike lane on west side in order to prevent parking on bike lane (see last photo below). Without a picket fence, it is to be foreseen that parking on the bike lane is going to be a significant problem. Periodic cleaning of the bike lane will need to be dealt with.
- We would prefer to see a bike lane transition at Dewdney to the through lane. According to the Bikeway Traffic Control Guidelines for Canada (TAC), the design below would be recommended. We would like to see guiding lines added with coloured pavement through the entire merge area, as well as sharrows in the right turn lane. Photos of examples can also be found below. Signage can be used to remind drivers to yield to cyclists in the bicycle lane.



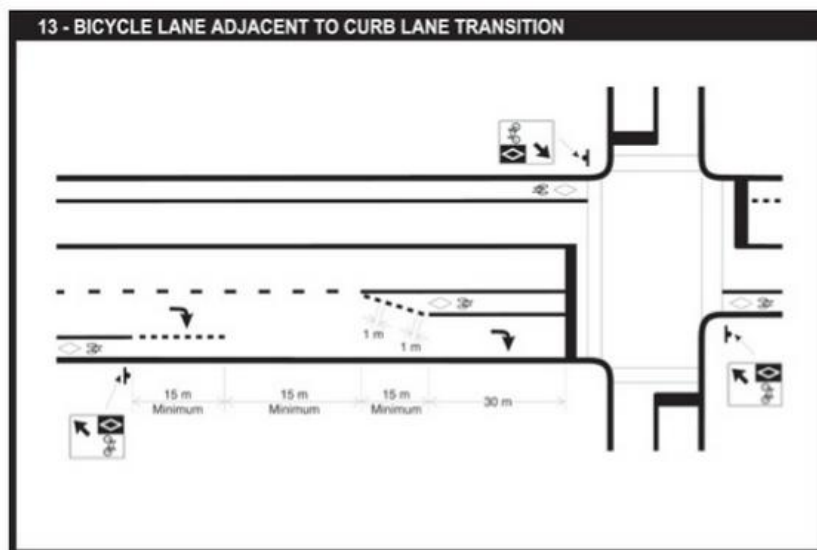
Thank you for considering our recommendations.

With kind regards,

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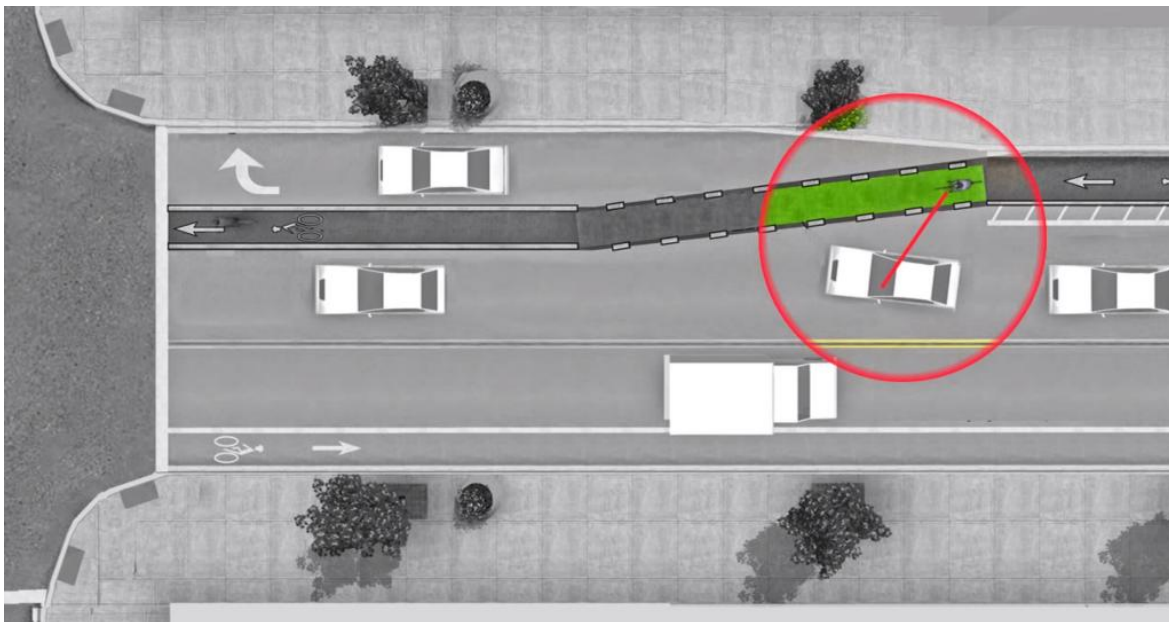
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TAC Bikeway Traffic Control Guidelines - bike lane adjacent to curb lane transition example



Google Streetview - Harris Rd Southbound at Hammond Rd







"picket fence"