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Re: East 29th Street Safety and Mobility Improvements

Dear District of North Vancouver Staff,

HUB Cycling is a charitable not-for-profit organization working to get more people cycling, more often and making cycling safer and better through education, action and events. More cycling reduces greenhouse gas emissions, relieves traffic congestion and means healthier, happier and more connected communities.

We are very supportive of the cycling and safety improvements that the District implemented several years ago on East 29th Street.

While this segment is currently somewhat isolated, it provides a key link in the bike network the District is building over the next few years. These future connections will help increase the desirability of this route as the network becomes more complete.

The protected bike lanes on East 29th are suitable for all ages and abilities (comfortable for most) and provide people with an attractive option to cycle in this corridor. A shared roadway (sharrows) on this busy, arterial bus route would only be "comfortable for few" people on bikes.

Providing safe and appealing transportation alternatives, such as East 29th, is necessary to achieve the mode shift described in the Official Community Plan's walking, cycling and transit transportation target of 35% by 2030. Encouraging cycling helps the District meet its Community Energy and Emissions Plan goals and mitigate the climate emergency.

We urge the District to maintain bike infrastructure that is "comfortable for most" on East 29th to encourage more people to cycle safely into and around Lynn Valley.

Yours sincerely,

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