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- To: Shezanna Hassko, Acting Project Manager II, Infrastructure Program Management, shezanna.hassko@translink.ca Rex Hodgson, Manager System Planning, rex.hodgson@translink.ca
- cc: Mark Halpin, Transportation Manager, City of Maple Ridge

Re: BICCS funding - City of Maple Ridge

Dear Ms. Hassko,

We would like to express our support for the request for BICCS funding by the City of Maple Ridge for a multiuse path along Highway 7 between 220 St. and 216 St. in Maple Ridge.

- This section of Highway 7 is part of the Major Bike Network.
- The project will connect the existing sections of multi-use paths between Laity St. and 216 St. and between 220 St. and 222 St. The gap between the two sections is listed as one of the two top priority gaps in Maple Ridge on our UnGapTheMap list.
- It is part of the City's STP cycling network.
- The multi-use path will provide a direct connection to the Regional City Center of Maple Ridge for people of all ages and abilities, whether cycling, walking or rolling.
- A direct, safe connection will help get more people cycling, more often.

We know from our own experience, and we also hear from other people cycling in Maple Ridge, that safe, direct, fast and convenient routes are essential for getting more people out on their bikes. This project satisfies all these criteria, and we hope to be able to look forward to seeing this project come to fruition soon.

With kind regards,

Ivan Chow and Barry Bellamy Co-chairs *HUB Cycling Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows Committee*

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About HUB Cycling

HUB Cycling is a charitable not for profit organization that has spent over 22 years removing barriers to cycling in Metro Vancouver, while cultivating the health, environmental, and economic benefits that active transportation can bring. HUB has educated thousands of people, motivated thousands more, and championed improvements that <u>#UnGapTheMap</u> to create a connected cycling network. HUB Cycling's mission is to get more people cycling more often. HUB Cycling has close to 3,000 members and more than 45,000 direct supporters. HUB Cycling has 10 volunteer committees across Metro Vancouver that encourage cycling for all ages and abilities (AAA) in municipalities across Metro Vancouver. For more information, visit <u>bikehub.ca</u>.