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Subject: The new bicycle lane in Horseshoe Bay - Fatal design error.
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Hello.

There is a DEADLY design error in the proposed situation for the Bicycle lane in the 6655 block of Royal Avenue. It is an astounding and dangerous error. How could this have gone without objection?

1. When we park cars, we are supposed to load our vehicles, exit and enter via the PASSENGER SIDE of the car. Especially children and young people.

2. We STAND on the sidewalk with our children, open the door, and strap them into seats, one by one. While we do this, the passenger doors are open wide.

3. The new bicycle path is about to be poured out into the area where parents stand with children to load and unload. This is the same area where seniors on their walkers stand to be loaded and unloaded. They are not fleet of foot.

4. The area where the bicycle path has been assigned is right in the middle of passenger loading area.

5. Serious injury and Death will occur if this plan goes ahead.

6. I spoke to the overseer about this, the other day, and he looked at the plans, looked at the site, and told me that YES, I am absolutely right.

7. I suggested that he report this error to his superiors, and be the hero in this situation. He seemed to agree, but I do not know.

8. What I DO KNOW... that effective immediately, they need to BAN BICYCLES from racing through the passenger loading zone, where people will be loading groceries, mounting multiple children to their seats, and escorting senior citizens.

9. We need to HALT the plan for bicycles in that block.

How embarrassing that this passed through any municiple design panel. This is a case where Green Ideology overstepped CAUTION for the normal use of a sidewalk in West Vancouver. This ideology cannot just put people into serious, deadly jeopardy.

There is not enough bike traffic in slow-poke Horseshoe Bay to warrant a dedicated bike path at that location. Bikes can share the road for that ONE BLOCK.

Please forward this where it needs to go. I just don't know what to do.