

HUB Cycling Delta/TFN Local Committee Meeting Notes

Meeting: Tuesday March 11, 2025. Start time 5:00 PM
Sharkeys Bar and Grille

Neil P., Roel S., Bill, Gary, Antonio, Kelly, Elder Ruth A., Sandra J., Alex G., Carol V., Barb H., Belinder, Brad and (name) Century Group,

Social meet and supper. Following meal there was a short discussion of Agenda points.

1. **Capital Plan 2026 Preparation:** We should plan to be ready for the next City of Delta 2026 Budget Plan with our Gaps list so it doesn't get lost in the process. All our concerns should be brought forward at these kinds of public events.

- A group will get together to update the Cycling Priorities List.

2. Thank you to Roel for his support as co-chair. Applauded for all his work since 2014. Looking for new co-chair.

- Need North Delta expertise.

3. Update on Capital Plan - City of Delta 2025 Capital Plan. Projects undertaken are based on those that fit within the framework of the Delta Cycling Master Plan.

a. 56 St MUP. More discussion on design of space at new Tsawwassen Town Centre. HUB Cycling Delta/TFN sent letter to Mayor and Council to promote safe active transportation in this plan, as part of the City of Delta information collection.

b. River Road Protected Cycling

c. 12 Ave MUP. Learned this is budgeted for. No design received by HUB to give input to yet.

Action: Arrange an on-site meeting between City and HUB Cycling at 12th Avenue.

d. Cycling Education. Would like more in Elementary schools.

Additional discussion:

- Lines on MUPs through Southlands. Without delineation they are dangerous for pedestrians. Arbutus Trail works well. Southlands used for all active modes, need restricted speed signs as on Millennium Trail (15 km/h).
- Propose use of rail corridor for cycling where it is being widened near Hornby Drive. Done in Europe. BC Rail jurisdiction?
- HUB needs to give input on routes chosen and design of MUPs and/or separated pedestrian sidewalks and protected cycling infrastructure.
- There is a new cross-Tsawwassen route trail being developed by Tsawwassen Rotary between Fred Gingell Park and Centennial Beach.
- Quieter trails and side streets could be preferred by cyclists to that of 12th Ave through the town centre.
- Home owners use public land for private use such as parking. Should be where sidewalks are located.
- Take away parking on roads to put in bike lanes, less cost.
- Design traffic lane removal carefully, signage and signals cause danger in Seattle.
- TFN has example design of public space for families through neighbourhoods on wide paths with posted signs. These examples should be added to Bike HUB website.
- The River Road and coming Elliott Street MUPs in Ladner are welcome.
- The bike shuttle through the Tunnel is closed on weekends in the winter. Forced to cycle via the Alex Fraser Bridge instead.
- Advocate to keep Millennium Trail open during Tunnel construction. It closes on some weekends for Tunnel-related work, this is a loss to recreational trail users.

- Continue to advocate for pedestrian and cycling safety at Tunnel meetings. Currently mostly Steveston Interchange meetings.

4. Update on BC Ferries

- e. HUB secured contract with BC Ferries, a study looking at facilities to support cycling tourism
- f. Working on getting ride with new Minister of Tourism Spencer Candra Herbert and BC Ferries CEO

Additional discussion:

- The ferry causeway is a Great Blue Heron Route and the causeway head is where a land bridge is proposed to reconnect TFN homes and cultural sites.
- TFN is closing off the south side causeway beach to motorized vehicle access.
- Visit BC! The time is now for cycling tourism and Indigenous Tourism.

5. Update on Nordel Way Hwy 1

- a. trail level will be raised to stop flooding (periodic closures means you will have to walk bike through work zone)

6. 2025 Committee Goals

- pursuing fixing gaps. Acknowledgment of any partner help for those achieved (eg City, TransLink, TFN)
- pursuing separated cycling lanes on busy streets where active forms of transportation are needed and more non separated cycling lanes on less busy cycling/ vehicle thoroughfares.
- pursuing multiuse paths for all age families and off road links like dyke paths and ferry causeway access
- pursuing wayfinding for safety and tourism promotion
- continuous input to new Tunnel, including making sure cyclists can still bike safely between Tilbury, Deas Island Park and Ladner during construction
- advertising of all public info opportunities to give input on Delta development projects
- education and help to schools and farmworkers on bikes
- partnering with the City of Surrey and Surrey HUB (and all Delta neighbour partners e.g. Point Roberts) for safe continuous bike lanes and paths
- finding a new co-chair

7. Gap Map Updates.