

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of the Implementation of the)
East Multnomah County Bikeway Plan) Resolution
) 92-158

WHEREAS, on August 25, 1992, the Board of Commissioners has adopted an ordinance amending the Bikeway Plan Maps in Comprehensive Framework Plan Policy 33C; and

WHEREAS, the County Transportation Division and the local community have resolved a number of issues regarding the implementation of the Bikeway Plan; and

WHEREAS, a Resolution memorializing these understandings will facilitate the implementation of the Bikeway Plan.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners expresses as Board policy that the Department of Environmental Services and the Division of Transportation implement the Bikeways Plan in accordance, where practicable, with the items identified on Exhibit A attached to this Resolution.

ADOPTED this 25th day of August, 1992.

MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON



By Gladys McCoy
Gladys McCoy, County Chair

REVIEWED:
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EXHIBIT A

East Multnomah County Bikeway Plan

ISSUE RESOLUTION

- * Recognizing East County's concerns for preserving the rural character and existing road shoulders, and preservation of private property, bikeway development shall occur with the least possible impact on the community.
- * The type of bikeway facility to be developed will be determined on a case-by-case basis through the County capital improvement and project development processes, so that community concerns can be addressed prior to project construction.
- * Based on Bicycle Planning Task Force (BPTF) input, a rural countywide standard for lane-sharing will be established and applied to East County bikeways where appropriate, instead of paved shoulders.
- * If shoulder bikeways are appropriate and existing gravel shoulders are at least four-foot wide, then paved shoulders will be constructed at the time of road resurfacing.
- * At the suggestion of BPTF, where gravel shoulders are narrower than four feet wide because of roadside obstructions (ditches, banks, landscaping), paved shoulder bikeways will be narrower but no less than three feet wide.
- * Bicycle facilities require a higher standard of maintenance than facilities for motor vehicles; cyclists will ride in the travel lane if there is debris or other hazards on the paved shoulder. The Transportation Division responds to all notifications of hazardous conditions on County roads. Countywide maintenance standards will be developed for bikeways. East County bikeways will be maintained as frequently as necessary to assure their safe use in accordance with the adopted standards.
- * County Transportation Division will support the community's efforts to have existing paved shoulders on Crown Point Highway swept and made more useable for cyclists.
- * Icy road conditions are hazardous to travelers in East County. The Transportation Division has proposed testing "open-grated" asphalt which is more porous and coarser than existing pavement, as a means to reduce the hazards from road ice.
- * Transportation Division will support the community's efforts to provide additional law enforcement capabilities in East County, (safety action team, town constable, other), and will provide public information to cyclists and motorists regarding rules of the road, safety and property concerns.
- * The "Getting There by Bike" brochure produced by the County will include information on restroom and drinking water facilities in East County.

- * Multnomah County has not previously condemned private property for bikeway purposes. There are no plans to condemn property as a result of the East Multnomah County Bikeway Plan, and we do not foresee the need to condemn private property to implement the plan. Condemnation proceedings are established by state and local statutes and require a public process and hearing.
- * Transportation Division will support the community's efforts to provide public facilities in East County, such as restrooms at Women's Forum.
- * A countywide Bicycle Advisory Committee will be formed to provide public input for the county's Bicycle Program, including a representative from East County.
- * Equestrians use gravel shoulders to ride along County roads in East County. Wherever possible, gravel shoulders will be retained for horseback riding.

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