

CCCTS

Fraser Valley Chapter Newsletter

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2022 Winter Riding Season

Wednesday weekly rides resume on Wednesday February 2nd, 2022!

The BC Ministry of Health Covid protocols in effect at that time will be followed.
Riders must be fully vaccinated.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Ride Emails

Emails with ride information will be discontinued beginning with the February 2nd ride. This information is easily available on the FV Chapter Calendar on the CCCTS website.

Here's what you need to do to access the information:

- Go to the **CCCTS Website** (<https://cccts.org/>). You don't even need to log in!
- Under "Local Chapters", click on "Fraser Valley" then "Calendar" and go to the month/date you are looking for.
- Information for a Wednesday ride will be posted several days in advance
- Remember – check this site on a regular basis as well as the morning of the ride.
- If a ride is cancelled, the information will be posted on the calendar no later than 7:30am on the day of the ride.

Winter Riding – a few notes

- Rides will start at 10:00 am
- Rides will start from Bakerview Park
- Rides will be approx. 2 hrs long.
- And remember... check the calendar!

Dress Warm and Safe Riding 😊



Welcome New FV Chapter Members

Susan Greening
Isabel Lehane
Annlee Grimson

CCCTS Membership

Have you renewed your membership yet?

- If not, go to the CCCTS Website (<https://cccts.org/>) and log in.
 - This will take you to your "Page".
- Click on Membership and follow the instructions.

If you are having difficulty, contact Clark Woodland at clark@woodland.bc.ca

CCCTS Advocacy Report (by Andy Bacon-January 2022)

HUB (WR/SRY), working as a coalition with support from cycling groups (White Rock O50, CCCTS and Team Coastal), are making steady progress on a number of important projects working alongside Surrey's Council and Engineering Departments and the BC MOTI (Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure).

The Coalition goals for new construction or upgrade projects are:

- Protected bike lanes where possible,
- 1.5 meter bike lanes on roads where there is no funding or physical room available for protected lanes,
- Single lanes on each side of roadway NOT single 2 way lanes,
- Keeping pedestrian and bike lanes separate where possible,
- Safe crossing designs at all intersections of any type,
- Connecting bike route gaps identified throughout greater Vancouver.

The following is the status of current projects:

King George Highway (KGH) at Crescent Road to Highway 99 Nicomekl Bridge Replacement Project

Surrey and the MOTI have awarded this project to rebuild the bridge and the KGH between Crescent Road and Highway 99. The proposed cycling infrastructure in essence builds like for like except for protected bike lanes on the bridge, a new cycling path under the bridge as part of the new Nicomekl trail and some minor upgrades to the on/off ramps. Despite this section of the KGH being a Translink Major Bike Network, planned Surrey greenway and a gap in the MOTI infrastructure, it appears that on road cycle lanes will be constructed.

HUB has written a letter to Surrey and the MOTI asking them to extend the protected cycling/walking facilities all the way from Crescent Road to the south side of the Highway 99 overpass. HUB is requesting that cyclists email their concerns to: clerks@surrey.ca, transportation@surrey.ca, keith.lastoria@gov.bc.ca.

152nd St. Road Widening Project Between Nicomekl River Overpass And Colebrook Road

This section of 152nd St. will be widened to 4 vehicle lanes. The overpass will also be changed to 4 lanes. A cycling and pedestrian multi-use path will be included and there will be a crosswalk at 40th Ave. Surrey is open to installing additional crosswalks if they are needed for safe crossing of 152nd St.

Surrey is proposing a single multi-use path for pedestrians/joggers/cyclists. HUB requested that Surrey use one way protected cycling paths for the obvious reasons of safety but also these paths eliminate car and bicycle headlight glare and make it easier for drivers exiting driveways to make a right turn as they only have to look for cyclists and pedestrians in one direction.

HUB also requested Surrey redesign the north end MUP (multi use path) connecting to Colebrook Rd and the existing overpass to make it safer for cyclists and pedestrians.

If this project is done right to include safe cycling, this will be a preferred route to access Colebrook Road instead of using KG highway!

32nd Avenue Road Widening Project Between King George Blvd And 154/Croydon Streets

This project is well underway by Surrey with the MOTI portion at the 99 freeway starting at a later date. HUB has made many comments at meetings with Surrey to try and get a safe and workable design for cyclists despite the limited road width of the existing road system.

Surrey and MOTI have recently made some safety design changes. They are providing a narrow separated path on the south side of the roadway. However the latest design still has 2 gaps in the protected cycling facilities, a 2 block stretch near KG and a 2 block stretch between 152nd and 154/Croydon streets. HUB requests that you please send comments and concerns to clerks@surrey.ca.