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Department of Public Works and Transportation
Office of the Director



November 12, 2013

Mr. Shane Farthing, Executive Director
Washington Area Bicyclist Association
2599 Ontario Road, NW
Washington, D.C. 20009

Re: Placement of "Bicycles May Use Full Lane" Signs

Dear Mr. Farthing:

Please accept our apology for the delayed response to your letter requesting that the Department of Public Works and Transportation consider placing "Bicycles May Use Full Lane" signs on specific roadways within Prince George's County. As you know, DPW&T is committed to providing safe and attractive facilities for all the roadway travelers, including cyclists. We share the goal of increasing cycling as a means of transport within and across Prince George's County and recognize the right of bicycles to use public streets. Furthermore, we believe that there are numerous benefits to encouraging bicycle use and bicycling in general, including environmental concerns.

We have considered each roadway mentioned in your request carefully and have identified segments where placement of the signs will not routinely create conflicts should cyclists occupy the entire travel lane. We propose to mark the following roadways with "Bicycles May Use Full Lane" signs;

- Good Luck Road from Kenilworth Avenue to Trexler Road
- Sheriff Road from Martin Luther King Road to County line
- Adelphi Road from East-West Highway to Riggs Road

We have elected not to sign roadways where heavy peak hour volumes of motorists are anticipated. For these locations, our Department prefers to encourage cyclists to use grade separated facilities or alternate roadways instead of mixing with heavy traffic. Therefore, the following roadway segments will not have additional signage:

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- Paint Branch Parkway from Baltimore Avenue to Kenilworth Avenue
- National Harbor Blvd from Wilson Bridge Trail to Waterfront Street
- Good Luck Road east of Trexler Road

Personnel from our Office of Engineering & Project Management will review each identified roadway segment to determine the number and placement of the new signs. We expect to complete installation of the signs within the next two to three weeks.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact me at (301) 883-5600, or Edward J. Binseel, P.E., Associate Director of our Office of Engineering & Project Management, at (301) 883-5640. Thank you.

Sincerely,



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