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Subject: FW: Blossom Trail bike route
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Mary Gourley
City Manager

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From: Sheryl Adams [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 26, 2026 5:05 PM
To: Mary Gourley <mgourley@cityofsebastopol.gov>
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Subject: Blossom Trail bike route

Dear Mary,

I know this has been somewhat controversial and I think there are strong feelings involved.

When I was driving into our Burbank complex the other day I did it with the bike route in mind. How would I feel if it was allowed? How would it impact me as a driver and a walker?

My first thought was the right curve shortly after entering. It's quite a steep incline. There is a bus stop off to the right, but still on the road. We either have to wait for the bus to continue up the hill, or chance going around it. My question is how bikes could safely navigate that hill? I don't believe they can.

Then, once the bikes make it to the top and turn right near the Burbank farm, the road becomes one way. Consequently it narrows. There are cars parked, sometimes on both sides of that road. People are coming and going all day and into the night. I envision many possible accidents between bikers and vehicles.

We also have maintenance, and delivery vehicles and people that use that road making it difficult for even the residents to navigate.

So I guess my two biggest concerns are safety for the bikers, and the residents, and just the basic inconvenience that bikers riding through will cause in our community.

I understand the concept of having a through fair for bikers to ride in our area. But I'm having difficulty understanding the need to have one that goes through Burbank Heights. It's a rather small area of roadway and one that I don't feel is a good choice for biking.

I hope you will consider my thoughts and share them with the council members. I sincerely hope that another plan will be considered and acted upon for the benefit of the bikers and our residents.

With best regards!

Sheryl Adams

Burbank Heights resident