

**PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS
RELATED TO DVRPC BOARD ACTION ITEMS**

July 23, 2015

Agenda Item:

2a. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Action

**NJ14-92: Route 130, Raccoon Creek Bridge Replacement and Pavement
Rehabilitation, (DB #98344), Gloucester County**

From: John Boyle

County: Philadelphia

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Date Received: July 13, 2015

Comment/Question: Comments from the Bicycle Coalition of Greater Philadelphia. What are the complete streets design elements of this project. Is it exempt? This bridge which is adjacent to Village of Bridgeport has sidewalks on both sides of the highway but there are no pedestrian connections to the approaches.

Response: Unfortunately, no bicycle or pedestrian traffic will be allowed on Route 130 between the interchanges of US 322 and I-295. This is because Route 130 will be treated as an expressway all the way to the I-295/Route 130 interchange. There are no traffic lights or stop signs on this part of Route 130. Route 322 /130 is a full interchange with 8 clover leaf ramps. There cannot be any pedestrian or bicycle traffic on shoulder because the pedestrian or bicycle cannot cross the ramp traffic entering or exiting Route 130 at 55 MPH. Further north, the Route 130 North end merges with I-295 and the posted speed of 55 MPH, so any pedestrian or bicycle traffic cannot be permitted on to I-295. Furthermore, Route 322 is an expressway. There are, however, local alternate streets for bicyclists and pedestrians. An 8' shoulder from south end – High Hill Road all the way to the north end – Route 322 interchange will be provided, but pedestrians and bicyclists cannot cross the on and off-ramps to/from I-295 and Route 322 on Route 130 as NJDOT will not allow any pedestrian or bicycle traffic in between these interchanges. The existing lift bridge or the approaches do not have any shoulder, and the posted speed is 55 MPH.

The existing Route 130 NB where the fishing pier is proposed is bike/pedestrian friendly and is connected to the town's sidewalk and road system enabling bike/pedestrian travel. By grade separating Route 130 and Main Street / Island Road junction, the divided (by Route 130) town will be connected. Currently, town residents have to go over Springers Road over pass (over route 130) about 1.5 miles one way trip in order to access Island Road from Main Street (the opposite side). The existing Route 130 is separated by raised curb at Main Street / Island Road intersection and has no traffic signal, thus preventing direct connection between Main Street and Island Road. Both street accesses to existing route 130 have substantial sight distance and no separate acceleration or deceleration lanes. As a result of this project, Island Road / Main Street will be the same grade as the fishing pier and adjoined parking spaces. The existing Route 130 NB - North abutment will be repaired and converted into a fishing pier and as part of existing Route 130 NB, converted into parking space. The bridge house and surrounding area will be landscaped, and the proposed historic sign will be placed there. All these improvements are bicycle, pedestrian and ADA compatible. The sidewalks are connected to the town's existing sidewalk network. The newly aligned Route 130 will be about 25' above fishing pier/ Main Street

/ Island Road intersection. These improvements will give access to residents who live on the west side of Route 130 to marinas located further downstream in the east side of Route 130.

PUBLIC NOTES RELATED TO THE JUNE 25, 2015 DVRPC BOARD ACTION ITEM
4 - DVRPC Circuit Funding: Phase IV Grants and PA TIP Circuit Line Item

Dear DVRPC Board:

Thank you for voting to create a Circuit line item and for making it possible for bike projects to receive new funding.

Philly is becoming a world-class city in this regard thanks to your efforts.

James Klasen

Dear DVRPC Board:

Thanks for supporting safer bicycle transportation with the grants you have appropriated.

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Dear DVRPC Board Members,

Thank you for taking action in late June to create a "line item" for the Circuit in the Pennsylvania TIP and for allocating federal funds and private dollars to help complete 11 segments in Pennsylvania. This action demonstrates a regional commitment to completing the Circuit. I appreciate your positive endorsement of the Circuit. I look forward to hearing how New Jersey will do something similar in the coming months.

Sincerely,

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South Jersey is more suited to biking than a lot of people think, and this money would do well to help carve out a little bit of official space in our area for bikes.

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As a taxpayer, and a resident in the Delaware Valley, it's so exciting to see the expansion of bike trails/routes...both for recreation and for transportation. Yeah! Thanks for helping make this happen.

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This is great! Let's keep making biking more safe, pleasant and popular. It's good for everyone.

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Your votes demonstrate your understanding and commitment to a more inclusive funding for all modes of transportation. Biking and walking are a most essential part of a 21st century transportation system with healthy interconnected neighborhoods.

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Once a road is built it will never again have the potential to be a trail. Through your legislative powers you have ensured that future generations will enjoy the greater Delaware Valley the way past generations have treasured it. Not in a speeding car or on a webcam, but with wind and sun on their faces.

My many thanks.
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Let me start with thank you for all the good work that you are doing in the region. The Board and staff at DVRPC show why DVRPC is the top MPO, that I work with in my regional job. I am very appreciative for the work that went into the vision to develop an item on the TIP for critical Circuit trails.

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I am a cyclist (commuter and for physical training) and a member of the both the Bicycle Coalition and the Bicycle Club of Greater Philadelphia. Our bicycling system is a jewel of the region! Thank you for helping to make it so. Make it a great day!

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