# PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS RELATED TO DVRPC BOARD ACTION ITEMS

#### May 26, 2016

## **Agenda Item:**

### 2c. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Actions:

NJ16-034: Streetscape Improvements along Clements Bridge Road (NJ 41), Phase 4, (DB #D1603), Barrington Borough (Camden County)

From: Joseph Russell County: Camden Zip Code: 08108

**Date Received:** 5/16/2016

#### Comment/Question:

I'm not sure if this is the appropriate time to bring this up, but I wanted to voice my hope that the bicycle facilities present in the Camden County Master Plan - Bicycle and Multi Use Trail Plan are considered for this project. Clements Bridge Road is indicated as having the designation "Bicycle Facility - To Be Considered" in this master plan for its entire length through Barrington. In doing research for this comment, I even saw two children on bikes captured by Google Streetview - <a href="http://bit.ly/23V4Mgf">http://bit.ly/23V4Mgf</a>. Being such an important throughway in the area, it would be nice to have appropriate bicycle infrastructure along this roadway.

**Response:** Thank you for your comment. Your original comment was forwarded to the DVRPC Board, the project sponsor (Barrington Borough), and Camden County.

As you note, the Camden County Master Plan designates Clements Bridge Road as "Bicycle Facility – To Be Considered." According to Camden County, this designation lets the County know that a Complete Streets investigation needs to be performed; and the engineering firm that completed the design and performed a Complete Streets investigation for this Phase 4 has provided for the necessary pedestrian and bicycling accommodations that are required by Camden County's Complete Streets policy.

According to Barrington Borough, streetscape improvements commenced in 2002, and most of the Phases were completed with Transportation Enhancements (TE) funding. While the Borough did look into providing bicycle lanes, they were not included since the TE project was for streetscape enhancement improvements only. However, bicycle racks were provided in phases 2 and 3, and two (2) are to be provided in this phase, Phase 4.

Again, DVRPC thanks you for participating in the public planning process and appreciates your comments and concerns.