

Lane County Bicycle Master Plan open house continues through March 22

Lane County is asking residents to mark their calendars and participate in the upcoming online Lane County Bicycle Master Plan Open House now through the March 22.

The county is seeking to understand bicyclists' experiences using Lane County's rural roads and paved paths through the project's online interactive mapping tool.

Lane County is developing its first ever Bicycle Master Plan with the vision to make bicycling a viable regional transportation option throughout Lane County for people of all ages and abilities, link communities to destinations and services and connect where people live, work, and play.

This effort focuses on Lane County's rural roads and its paved paths outside of the Eugene-Springfield urban area.

As an amendment to the Lane County Transportation System Plan, the Bicycle Master Plan



will go before the Lane County Board of Commissioners for adoption with recommendations to improve:

- Safety and comfort for people who bike and all roadway users
- Connectivity of regional bicycling between rural communities and the urban area
- Equity of access to convenient, safe, and affordable means of trans-

portation

- Economic development opportunities for bicycle tourism related businesses
- Public health benefits from expanded active transportation

A live session with the planners was held Tuesday.

Those interested can visit the "Events" page at lanecountybmp.com to join the live conver-

sation.

To learn more about the planning process, schedule, review the bi-lingual fact sheet and sign up for e-updates, visit Lane County Bicycle Master Plan or contact the Bicycle Master Plan Project Manager, Becky Taylor, at becky.taylor@lanecountyor.gov or call 541-255-5761.

To our valued readers:

Help small businesses affected by coronavirus right now, including ours.

Businesses of all sizes have been hit hard in this challenging new age of social distancing and self-isolation, but the blow has been catastrophic for small operations that rely on in-person transactions. There are many ways to help, like purchasing gift certificates or memberships, and yet there are many service-type businesses that don't have that option.

As we look to a new year, we're celebrating what connects us as a community, and what we can do to support our local businesses!

THAT'S WHY WE CREATED THE SUPPORT LOCAL TOGETHER CAMPAIGN.

The Support Local Together campaign will help local businesses who have to choose between promoting their business and paying the electric bill. It will also help support the *Cottage Grove Sentinel*, who has seen a strong decrease in advertising revenue, but an increase in readership.

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2. Supports local journalism

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HERE IS HOW TO SUPPORT:

- Call 541-942-3325 x 1200
- Make a donation of your choosing.
- Choose a specific local business that you would like the advertising credit to go to, or leave that blank and we will designate it to a business we know needs help.

Our community is small but generous and we recognize there are many great organizations, like ours, that could use your help.

We believe the vast majority of our readers have always shared our view of the value and necessity of a strong local media and are willing to provide support equal to two or three cups of coffee a month to secure its future.

Thank you in advance for doing your share to secure a strong local economy in the community we are proud to serve.

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