



May 10, 2018

Maria "Sole" Aranguiz
Chief of System Planning
Caltrans District 8
464 West Fourth Street, 6th Floor, MS 727
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SUBJECT: UNITED STATES BICYCLE ROUTE 66

Dear Ms. Aranguiz:

The American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) have designated a corridor from Chicago, Illinois to Santa Monica, California to be developed as United States Bike Route 66 (USBR 66). The California Bicycle Coalition and Adventure Cycling Association with the cooperation of the California Department of Transportation and other stakeholders have proposed a specific route to be designated as USBR 66 through California that follows the general path of the historic route 66 stretching from the Santa Monica Pier to Needles.

There is approximately eight miles of the USBR 66 that is proposed to travel through the City of Victorville. As proposed, the route will travel through Victorville from: National Trails Highway; continue onto D St.; then, right onto Seventh St; then, left onto Historic Route 66; then, west onto Mariposa Rd. This proposed route travels through roadways that are currently designated as bicycle pathways in the City's Circulation Element of the General Plan. The City's General Plan can be found at: <http://www.victorvilleca.gov/uploadedFiles/CityDepartments/Development/GeneralPlan.pdf>

At this time, the Engineering and Traffic Divisions of the Public Works and Water Department, on behalf of the City of Victorville, are in support of the development of the proposed U.S. Bicycle Route (USBR) 66. With bicycling tourism being a growing industry in North America, that presently contributes approximately \$47 billion dollars a year nationally to the economies of communities that provide facilities for said tourism. The proposed USBR 66 through the City of Victorville will enable the local residents and businesses to benefit from the bicycling tourism.

Though the City's endorsement of the proposed USBR 66 through the City does not obligate the City to any future costs or liabilities, the City will work with the appropriate representatives to coordinate the proper placement of signage, if applicable. Should there be any questions or comments, do not hesitate to contact me at 760.955.5200 or by email at bgengler@victorvilleca.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brian Gengler".

Brian Gengler, PE
City Engineer