



City of Seattle

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To: Kristi Rennebohm Franz, Seattle Bicycle Advisory Board Chair

Re: 2015 Bicycle Master Plan Annual Progress Report

Thank you, Seattle Bicycle Advisory Board (SBAB) for sending comments on the draft and endorsing the 2015 Bicycle Master plan (BMP) BMP Annual Progress Report. Attached you will find the annual progress report submitted to City Council Transportation Chair, Councilmember O'Brien on Monday, April 4, 2016. 2015 had many instrumental projects in expanding our all ages and abilities network in Seattle. The following reflects upon comments provided in the March 14 letter:

- Project mileage has been added to the tables, projects that were not implemented in 2015 were clearly identified, and projects that slipped into 2016 were shown both on page 5 of the annual progress report and within the deliverables summary tables for bicycle facility projects (pages 6-8).
- We will now consistently use project completion (construction end date) to derive mileage totals.
- The BMP established twelve performance measures to track achievement towards goals, with metrics for each goal of the plan: Ridership, Safety, Connectivity, Equity, and Livability. These performance measures were included in the BMP outreach process and were endorsed by the SBAB at the time of the plan being approved by Seattle City Council in April 2014. The performance measures as defined in the BMP will only be modified and updated when SDOT updates the BMP in 3-5 years. The board is able to track other metrics and initiate partnerships with other departments, depending upon availability of data and willingness/capabilities of other departments. Or the board can work to identify other metrics for consideration when the BMP is updated.
- More clarity around each performance measure will be shared with the board in 2016, especially in relation to the connectivity measures.
- The annual progress report is intended to clearly identify what was accomplished to transform Seattle towards an all ages and abilities bicycling environment. The deliverables summary, beginning on page 6 of the annual progress report, provides a status update on what we have done and what is still left to complete. We recommend that staff share project specific lessons learned during advisory board monthly meetings and we would like to hear feedback/suggestions from the SBAB as to how a project may have been implemented differently (from board members perspective).

Thank you for your thoughtful input to the 2015 BMP Annual Progress Report, your feedback allowed for a more concise and detailed progress report that celebrates bicycle accomplishments.

Sincerely,

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Darby Watson
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