

For April 3, 2019 TAMC Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meeting, below are public comments offered by Bicycling Monterey founder Mari Lynch regarding items not on the agenda.

1. **Pedestrian fatality, hit-and run, investigation leads sought:** Bob and Sue Hunt of New Hampshire want as many people in the Monterey Bay area as possible to know about the hit-and-run collision that killed their son, Joseph James Hunt, age 25. Joe's body was found by California Highway Patrol shortly after 9 a.m. on Saturday, March 23, 2019 along Highway 1 near Struve Road, Moss Landing. **If you may have noticed anything that might possibly help CHP investigators find the motorist responsible for Joe's death**, please phone CHP at (831) 796-2160. You can remain anonymous. Perhaps you or someone you know saw a reckless motorist in the vicinity or Joe walking in that area, or maybe you're aware of a car with unusual damage. On bikemonterey.org, see <https://bit.ly/RIPJoeHunt> for a compilation of local media stories and details. *[NOTE: Please add those media stories to bike-ped committee **Media Clips** for the next mtg.]*
2. **Regarding the two concerns expressed in public comments** for the January 9, 2019 meeting, <https://bit.ly/BikePedInput09Jan2019>. (a) Please advise the committee of any follow-up regarding the request for TAMC staff to address with City of Monterey how best to mitigate the existing challenges for biking Casa Verde near Fremont, in light of increased motor vehicle traffic that would come with a new hotel. (b) Thank you to Ariana Green for apparently following up (see page 8 of https://www.tamcmonterey.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/BPC_Agenda_PACKET_April_2019_Meeting.pdf) with the Monterey County Fair & Event Center about the second concern, lack of bicycle parking at the fairgrounds.
3. **April 2019 completes 7th year of the Monterey County Probation Department Youth Center bike education program.** The program, founded by Bicycling Monterey, includes Monterey County's first high school bike tech class. Special thanks to volunteers since 2012 Frank Henderson and Luciano Rodriguez, who make the bike tech instruction possible. Bicycling Monterey's Bike Nights at the Youth Center also roll on, and the next is May 31, 2019. To contribute Bike Month gifts for these local incarcerated boys, who come from all over Monterey County, phone Mari. Details: <https://bit.ly/TeachTeensWell>
4. **Monterey County Parks and Monterey County Convention and Visitors Bureau / See Monterey content or promotions about bicycling.** If interested in further details, please phone: <https://bit.ly/ContactBikeMRY>. (a) On March 27, I reminded County officials again about the need for improving County Parks content about parks where bicycling is *not* allowed on trails, such as Jacks Peak. (At JP, people may bike paved roads only, not trails—and I am in agreement with that policy. The unique peace of Jacks Peak, the largest intact stand of native Monterey Pines in the world, is irreplaceable and deserves such protection.) (b) As a result of See Monterey, Monterey Bay Ecotourism Region, and others promoting a travel blogger's post that includes a recommendation to bike trails at Jacks Peak, I also asked County officials to urge MCCVB / See Monterey ("Funded in cooperation with the Monterey County Board of Supervisors") to be more discerning about bicycling-related content they create and/or promote. (FYI, since 2009, I've reached out repeatedly to MCCVB / See Monterey, including about inaccuracies in or concerns with their content. I do appreciate their increasing interest in biking!) Again, phone me for details.
5. **MEDIA CLIPS: Posts published on bikemonterey.org most recently include the following (and more). Those below are most likely to be of interest to committee members:**
 - Ride Spot to debut at Sea Otter Classic — Reminders regarding sharing your favorite ride spots — <https://bit.ly/TipsRideSpot>
 - League Cycling Instructors: Why, and Who in Monterey County? <https://bit.ly/MontereyLCIs>
 - *Presente un informe anónimo sobre colisiones de tráfico y problemas generales de seguridad de tráfico en California!* Submit an anonymous report on traffic collisions and general traffic safety problems in California — <https://bit.ly/espanolStreetStory>
 - Who rides CA SR 218 / Canyon del Rey Boulevard — slated to be first segment of Fort Ord Recreational Trail and Greenway (FORTAG) Project? (And please note the disclaimer in that post.) <https://bit.ly/CAHwy218>
 - Bike Buzz: Bike Week, Bike Decade, and More — <https://bit.ly/SpecialBikeBuzz>
 - Bicycle Leadership Conference, in Monterey, April 9-11, 2019 — <https://bit.ly/BikeLeaders>
 - Tips for Sea Otter Classic, a 4-day Celebration of Cycling, April 11-14, 2019 — <https://bit.ly/SeaOtterClassic>
 - Video greetings from HER Helmet Thursdays participating businesses and organizations: A "red carpet" for people who bike in Monterey County — on Sea Otter Classic's Opening Day, and on Thursdays year-round — <https://bit.ly/RedCarpetMRY>
 - Voices of Bicycling Advocacy: Guest Writers on Bicycling Monterey — <https://bit.ly/BikeVoices>
 - **1 May 2009 – 1 May 2019** — Bicycling Monterey completes its tenth year May 1st — <https://bit.ly/BikeDecade>. Bicycling Monterey is a local partner of the California Bicycle Coalition — <http://bit.ly/CalBikeAllies>. See what visitors and residents say about the Bicycling Monterey website and projects: <https://bit.ly/SayBikeMRY>. ICYMI, for ten years, the site and projects have been an **entirely unpaid volunteer** effort for me. The daily average of total financial contributions to date is just **\$3** a day. Ten women who launched a crowdfunding campaign in December 2015 set a new goal to raise that figure to **\$10** a day by May 1, 2019, in recognition of all that has been accomplished over Bicycling Monterey's first 3,650 days, and to provide support for this work to continue into a second decade. Consider sharing a link; scroll down <https://bit.ly/SpecialBikeBuzz> for options.

Thank you for your consideration of these comments. Questions? <https://bit.ly/ContactBikeMRY>.