

Dear Mayor Moore,

I understand Yachats City Council will revisit the traffic flow on Ocean View Drive at the April 17th Meeting. Here is my suggestion.

I have owned a house on 4th and Ocean View Drive for over 25 years. I understand the Lincoln County will be turning over Ocean View Drive to the City of Yachats and has agreed to pave the road before ceding it to the City.

Please consider making the east lane of Ocean View Drive a one-way street for northbound traffic from 2nd Street to 7th Street and the remaining lane on the west ocean side as a designated bicycle and pedestrian path.

This has the following advantages:

1. Vehicular traffic will be limited to the east lane away from the ocean side cliff, lessening traffic from heavy vehicles and decrease stress on the cliff that continues to erode.
2. The repaved west side lane can be designated as a bicycle and pedestrian path as part of the 804 Trail.

Currently, there is a narrow shoulder along the road from 2nd Street to 4th Street which turns to mud in the winter months. There is **no** shoulder between 4th and 6th Street where pedestrians are forced to walk on the road along the deteriorating guard rail. The shoulder between 6th and 7th Street is uneven and turns to mud in the winter as well.

Designating the west lane of Ocean View Drive as bicycle and pedestrian friendly would provide a paved, safe, path along the ocean as part of the 804 Trail.

I would also suggest making Ocean View Drive one-way from Highway 101 to the State Park. This would smooth out the traffic bottle neck that occurs as Ocean View Drive enters the park from the south. Exit from the park could be by way of 2nd and 3rd Street.

Thank you for your consideration,

Best Regards,

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