

Dear Hood Canal Bridge bicyclists,

In recent weeks, WSDOT has been contacted by a number of bicyclists who have raised concerns about temporary barriers and other construction-related issues that make the ride across the Hood Canal Bridge less than ideal.

I'd like to thank those bicyclists for bringing their concerns to our attention and let them know WSDOT recognizes the current challenges bicyclists are facing.

The barriers are positioned along the bridge to allow our workers to complete the ongoing Hood Canal Bridge project. The good news is that we expect the barrier to be removed in early October.

In the meantime, we are responding to the situation by installing signage alerting bicyclists to use caution due to the grated deck. I expect the sign to be up within a week. Until then, a portable sign board will be placed on the bridge to alert bicyclists.

We'll continue to make any adjustments we can to improve the bicycling experience while we complete the bridge project.

Please feel free to call me and discuss these issues further.

Sincerely,

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