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- We don't even get our roads fixed that are currently existing...
Don't start new things if the old things are not shiny yet.... Just what my grandpa used to say..

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- Good input... if we keep things maintained on schedule they are a LOT cheaper.

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- I'm not sure why it seems so hard. The bike Lanes are always full of objects. The street cleaners can't keep up... Why are we doing new things when our budget doesn't even let us do maintenance on our existing makes me crazy.

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- ya I've been learning a lot and asking similar questions... seems the different funding sources pay for different things. Def weird.

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- That's what's wrong with the whole system. You (the govt) get 100% of the pie. Then you divvy up a percentage to health, education and the rest of the pit goes to the states for fixing it... Now if you get to the end of your dollar before you've fin... [See More](#)

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- Write a reply...
- Yes! 3rd, Greenwood and 27th. Would be so much safer for people who would like to bike commute but are too afraid of the traffic. Would help to alleviate the traffic congestion if we could get more people riding bikes instead of driving.

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- I think we just need to be more cautious and slow down.... I'd rather see an officer being paid to monitor traffic violations. This will help all involved. Not just bikers.

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- Write a reply...
- I don't like riding bikes around here with all the cars whizzing by. But I agree with other posts that our streets are too narrow and not well maintained as it is. It's a big problem. But thank you, I'm glad you are thinking about it. For being so bike friendly, the roads don't feel bike friendly at all compared to other places I've visited.

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- I don't feel comfortable riding my bike on the road here even on streets with the large and slightly raised bike lane like W Reed Market. I wish there were a more connected route to completely keep you off the road like the Larkspur trail in all 4 ends of town.

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- Would love to have this here! Would really help with traffic congestion if commuter biking was safer!

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- Riverside St. on to Franklin St. (around Drake Park to downtown) is a very challenging design in my opinion. Bicycles are between fast moving vehicles (some very large) and, parked cars. All it would take is one person to open the door

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I would definitely ride my bike more around town with a protected lane like this!

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██████████ Stop ppl from speeding and being in a hurry everyday it would be nice to ditch the car for once.

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██████████ Yes, Please!!!!

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██████████ Portland has these. They wear poorly, paint fades, and sadly give bicyclist a false sense of safety. Maybe start with big green paint rings around pot holes. East/west and N/S town should have and do have (Skyliner) segregated.bike paved trail away from.cars... [See More](#)

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██████████ Yes! Brosterhous to 3rd and then all of 3rd and any routes that link east side to west side. I guess I'm suggesting the major east/west corridors -- Franklin, Olney ... help get east'ers to the west side for dinner, recreation and work without getting in their cars.

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██████████ 3rd would be a tough one because of ownership (mostly the state--it's a highway), volume and maintenance (or lack there of). That said I can't offer a better one.

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██████████ make the planned railroad trail (parks n' rec) into a paved two-way bike path -- that gets bikers from north to south -- then connectivity east/west from that would be not easy. But it's a start.

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██████████ yeah N/S isn't that difficult but the parkway and RR really cause problems with E/W. With the new Biz district perhaps reshaping that area removing the RR may be the long term answer. That would offer all sorts of options and improvements but we're talking decades on that dream.

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██████████ I don't know how you would widen the streets enough. Taking a lane away from drivers would not be a good option as the traffic is already bad

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██████████ Could we fix the potholes first.

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██████████ The whole city would need redesigned to accommodate this concept. Buildings can't just be pushed back and widening the road would create less parking for some businesses which is already an issue. However if there was space and funding for it (after already needed road repairs) it would be a great idea.

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██████████ Find out how they are working in Portland. I am pretty sure they weren't all that great. A protected

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██████████ Bend very much would economically benefit from having a true grid of safe bike paths - not lanes but separate safe paths

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https://bikeleague.org/.../Bicycling_and_the_Economy-Econ...

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██████████ This is the single best idea I have heard yet for a real plan to accommodate bicycles! Bend, in its current state is far from a bike friendly town and I fear for my life every time I have been on a bike riding around! This city needs a real plan and this sounds like one. Why reinvent the wheel...follow Boston!

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██████████ Totally agree with this -- was in Minneapolis last year biking around the whole city on dedicated paths. The planned path that parallels the railroad (Park n' Rec) would be a great start -- make it a wide paved path with two bike lanes going in both directions.

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██████████ Much of the trail system that BPRD has laid out in its recent comprehensive plan would go toward achieving this if they paved and marked the trails.

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██████████ When I hear Bend was a bike friendly city I was happy. But when I moved here I was very disappointed. Not only is there really no pedestrian paths going from East to West and North to South, the actually streets and bike lanes are inconsistent. The peo... [See More](#)

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██████████ This would be great for Bend if there's room. We just moved away, but there were many areas that could benefit. Cyclists often ignore vehicles and expect cars to just stop/slow for them when they may not have right of way. That said, drivers are just a... [See More](#)

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██████████ This sounds like something you might have found in the Emerald City of Oz but in a non-perfect world someone has to pay for this. Trucks and cars are taxed and bikes are not. Perhaps if bikes were taxed that could help pay for these projects, and how... [See More](#)

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██████████ The reality of road funding in the US in general and here in Oregon specifically is that user fees and taxes pay for less than 50% of road construction and maintenance. The balance, here in Oregon, comes from general fund revenue. At the state level th... [See More](#)

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██████████ I'm not asking bikers to pay for everything but a tax on new or used bikes when purchases from retailers would be helpful to the cause or just cancel all taxes purchases for cars and trucks too and then we'd be equal but then nothing would ever get don... [See More](#)

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- A small tax on bike sales was instituted this year in OR.

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- I think instead of a small one time tax on new bike purchases that any bike being ridden on public streets should be registered and tagged through the DMV the the DMV needs to put all tag fees into the roads coffer.

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- my point about funding is that people who ride bikes already pay a disproportionate amount of revenue into system relative to the demand they place on the same. If we are unwilling to have people who drive pay their full share how do we justify asking people who ride bikes to pay more?

My siting for a ped/bike bridge would not require any takings.

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- Write a reply...
- Yep, roads already can't be fixed with lack of money, homelessness is skyrocketing and nothing is being done. BUT let's get right on this!

While super cool, it'd be impossible with our infrastructure and its costs. Plus it's about 1,478 on the list of things needed in Bend.

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- E/W connectivity is horrid--Franklin needs a huge and expensive re-do--and the rest are basically too far North to be effective. Love to see a dedicated path at about Harriman connecting downtown with the Maker's District.

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- I don't understand the Transportaion Advisory board....you push for people to walk/ride bikes and use the bus system...yet as soon as OSU pushed their way into the Westside, you shut down the two bus stops on Chandler because too many cars are parked o... [See More](#)

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- This is an important post! Thanks for presenting these questions.

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- Good points

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- OSU is NOT a good neighbor! Every spot on Chander and Yates (where we live in Mountain Laurel Lodge) is filled with OSU cars....Emergency vehicles can barely get into our parking lot....58 Seniors live here and we have many trips to rescue sick elders.

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- it's only going to get worse. I've heard that the new project at Rays also didn't plan enough parking. I'm not sure what these people are thinking.

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- \$\$\$\$ talks to Commissioners.....

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- what is the new project at Ray's?

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Write a reply...
- Bend is not bike friendly.

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- I was hit by a car on Portland @ Awbrey while riding in the bike lane.. turned in front of me and I was badly injured....he drove off but a witness chased him down and called police....all he got was a failure to yeild...I had surgery to repair broken bone and PT for a year....drivers need to be held accountable for killing and injuring walkers and bike riders...I haven't riden my bike in town since...

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- That really sucks! You should sue!!!!

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- It was 2012....his car insurance paid for all my surgery, PT for 1 1/2 years, everything....I handled my own case without an attorney and got a fair settlement....

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- Write a reply...
- Absolutely! There have to be severe punishments for people who cause harm to anyone....other drivers, bicyclists, pedestrians...every one should be protected!

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- Love 🍷

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- Would love more bike infrastructure, but I do agree maintaining what's there already is important. Also, east-west connectors are the most critical bits right now.

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- Bike paths, meaning not on the street, would be even better! I often comment how I'm surprised Bend doesn't have that, or plan it into all the new developments and communities that are being built. For me, from a safety perspective, roads are for CARS. Bikes should have their own separate path or trail.

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- From Bend to Deschutes River Woods.

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- Great idea... No room on already narrow roads. So, perhaps find route that isn't already a road, one for East/West and one for North/South and create a safe bike path! Don't try to incorporate into existing roads...too many law breaking drivers and bikers to share space. Septate routes would be the only safe alternative.

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- I think it's great- I love bike paths

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- We need wider roads

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- There's research showing that drivers

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Detritot has a sales tax which I'm sure funds will be allocated to keep this well maintained. It would do bend/Oregon well to adopt a sales tax so that all of our tourists can contribute to paying for city and road improvements and maintenance --offsetting the cost we as residents of Oregon soley pay.

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City doesn't have money for this!!

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The money is scarce for sure. Where would you prioritize the spending?

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They would if they keep ticking people who drive using there phones.

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Potholes and repaving need to be done before spending money for a select few riders to use for six months out of the year.

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Well if they keep with ticketing drivers for phone violations they would have \$\$\$

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It's a really good thing I would ride my bike here in Bend Oregon if we had this I'm afraid of Drivers now !

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Everywhere on the west side! It's so dangerous for bikers with all that traffic.

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Yes it is East side not much better

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NE has become terrible especially in school zones.

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I would LOVE to ride my bike to work every day. But I just won't do it because if you happen to be unfortunate enough to tussle with a car, the car wins every time. Something like this would be amazing and would make me feel safe enough to ride for transportation and not recreation only.

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Love this!

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If you do this Please use glass beads in the paint so it lasts longer and reflects better. All the citations the cops are giving to tourists may just be the "ticket". 😊

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- Bet it was 100%....

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- I know I'd feel a lot safer with my son riding his bike the 1.5 miles to highschool. Right now, I plan the drive him because the roads are just too congested and dangerous.

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- This is amazing!! Not only could it curb some of the high car traffic around Bend but would really add a quaintness to the town! It really could make Bend a cycling center!!!

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- Would be awesome on Greenwood between 3rd and 27th! I was going to say on 3rd too but then I realized that we always avoid riding on 3rd at all costs, so it might be a waste.

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- its a great idea when you have new wide streets that accommodate for this room. if you are trying to squeeze those in older neighborhood with narrow lanes and parking on the street, you are asking for trouble.

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- We need whatever transportation can do to increase biking over car use, and we need safer biking lanes to do it.

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- I LOVE this idea! The feeling of security that a bike lane provides is enough to completely change an experience from fear of riding with traffic to being able to enjoy your ride. I'm experienced in riding in traffic, but there are many people I've known who are new to cycling that get to freaked out to ride in traffic and that fear ruins the experience for them.

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- What would save lives and prevent many close calls would be to actually get bicyclists to follow the rules of the road. I NEVER see the riders using signals, stopping and staying in the bike lanes. More often than not they are riding down the middle of... [See More](#)

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- The two cyclist deaths I'm aware of recently were both caused by the drivers involved.

Also, if 5 lanes aren't enough for cars on Greenwood, I don't know what to say.... [See More](#)

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Both great points. Everyone needs to follow the rules... and we need to design the infrastructure to make it as easy as possible for 'safe to happen.'
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Why does it start with the most vulnerable user? I rarely see people driving cars follow the rules either. People are constantly speeding, cutting off others, not using their turn indicators or using them incorrectly, crossing solid white or double yel... [See More](#)

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I was not picking on the "most vulnerable user". My brothers were both hit by a car while biking. One was almost killed and spent three months in the hospital and then six months in a body cast. They were hit by a car on a non busy road in the country... [See More](#)

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I've been riding in Bend with my kids on my bike for the last 8 years. We stay on bike lanes, use hand signals and use back streets as much as possible. I have to say that this year feels the most unsafe that it has ever been. Distracted driving and sp... [See More](#)

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I lived in Vancouver, BC for over three years and they have the biking thing down. They have streets designated as bike routes and on busy streets they have the bike lanes marked out like the picture above. I was always safe and never had any close calls. Here in Bend, I've almost been hit several times.

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I would love every road to have a bike lane
Last year I was spat at on Pettigrew by a driver who tried to force my husband and me off the road! Unbelievable! Even more unbelievable ? The guy who went to court and had to do community hours and pay for ... [See More](#)

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Wow ! Amazing.. wish we had the roads to do this in Scotland


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Wow! This is great! I'm thinking the green paint near driveways etc. is a cool way of adding additional protection for bikers!

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Timely article about how bike lanes can benefit local businesses: <https://www.strongtowns.org/.../how-bike-lanes-benefit...>



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How Bike Lanes Benefit Businesses

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