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From: [REDACTED] on behalf of Lee Naish [REDACTED]
Sent: Saturday, 16 April 2016 10:10 AM
To: LCLC
Subject: Safe bike passing law exemption

I am writing to oppose the suggestion that there be any exemptions to safe passing laws in the presence of bike-only lanes. Although Bicycle Network often does a good job of representing cyclists such as myself, I strongly disagree with the suggestion in their submission that safe passing laws should not apply where there are bike lanes. As any cyclist knows, bike lanes do not protect us from cars - there are several circumstances where it is legal for cars to drive along bike lanes, let alone the frequent illegal driver behaviour. Similarly, bike lanes do not protect us from car doors. Currently along many roads the only legal place to ride is in the car door zone and its impossible avoid car doors or pass parked wide vehicles or poorly parked cars without briefly leaving the bike lane.

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