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**To:** Planning Clerk  
**Subject:** Old Arcata Road Improvement Project -  
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Dear Bayside and Jacoby Creek Community Members and Members of the Humboldt Planning Commission,

My family has lived on Hyland Street in Bayside since 1991. We drive, walk and bicycle here and we are very much looking forward to getting the 1 mile of the Old Arcata road rehabilitation project completed. It is very much overdue!

Much concern has been voiced about the safety of the children attending the Mistwood Center for Education located close to the intersection of Old Arcata Road and Jacoby Creek Road. I have done a careful comparison of what the traffic is now and what it will be when the roundabout is in place. See the 3 attached images. One taken of the location using Google Earth, and the two below showing the proposed roundabout.

I am doing this because I believe there is a poor understanding of the protective features the roundabout offers.

Right now there is fast traffic in both directions, nothing slowing it, and poor visibility due to the turn, no sidewalk, no pedestrian crossing, no barriers of any kind.

The roundabout will slow the traffic to 15-20 m/h and it will move only in one direction, there will be both a landscaped buffer and an elevated sidewalk between the school yard and the traffic, and a crosswalk with a splitter island, allowing pedestrians to look in one direction for traffic and then stop safely and look for traffic from the other direction.

In summary the Mistwood Center for Education community would be much safer than it is now! And so would all others who live near or pass through this poorly defined intersection.

Take a close look at the pictures below. It is easy to see the safety benefits of the roundabout. Please give this important project your support!

Sincerely,

Claire Iris Schencke

Image from Google Earth  
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The Bayside intersection of Old Arcata Road, and Jacoby Creek Road, and the Bayside Post Office Driveways.



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The proposed roundabout, showing the protective features for Mistwood Center of Education: 1. the slow one direction speed of the roundabout traffic (15-20 m/h) 2. the landscape barrier, 3. the paved raised sidewalk, 4. the crosswalk 5. the splitter island

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1. LOCATION OF EXISTING UTILITY AND/OR EXISTING CONSTRUCTION SHALL NOT BE MODIFIED BY THIS DESIGN.
2. CONTRACTOR TO VERIFY WORK.



A technical image of the proposed roundabout.  
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