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To Members of the Humboldt County Planning Commission:

I want to express how important I think the planned improvements to Old Arcata Road and Hyland Street in Bayside are. I am definitely a boots-on-the-ground user of this area and long time resident of Bayside/Humboldt County. My husband and I bike the Bayside area nearly every day year round. I wrote to Nehtra Khatri a few months ago and described how we handle the Jacoby Creek Road intersection. Basically, we cross way before we get to the intersection and ride against traffic, which doesn't feel right, but it just isn't safe to cross any other way. Vehicles don't slow and visibility isn't good enough on the turn to risk crossing there. We have a year-round farm share at Redwood Roots that we access by biking most of the year so that is often our destination. I am very much in favor of a roundabout because I really think it will help, but also because I care a lot about the fact that it is efficient. As you know, climate

change is real.

Hyland Street is my other most familiar part of the project. I walk it from Irene Street to Jacoby Creek school a few days a week. I really can't believe that the only way I can walk my grandchildren, after we cross from the school and leave the small section of sidewalk, is to walk in the street, not on the street but in the traffic lane, because there is no walkway to get to and around the turn that Hyland makes before it goes up the hill.

Anyway, those are my personal observations and concerns but I think the planned improvements will benefit everyone. I don't know the basis for objections except for hearing concerns for historical preservation. I don't think these changes will alter the character of Bayside. Maybe slowing traffic at the Jacoby Creek Road and Old Arcata Road intersection will bring back the feeling of an earlier time.

Thank you for listening and for the work that you are doing,

Jill Dedini

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