



The Fort Ord Rec Trail and Greenway (FORTAG)

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(Most of the annotations were added to slides after presentation, to reflect what was said during the presentation)

Fort Ord is currently experiencing a wave of development. Long-blighted areas are finally being replaced with homes, retail, etc.



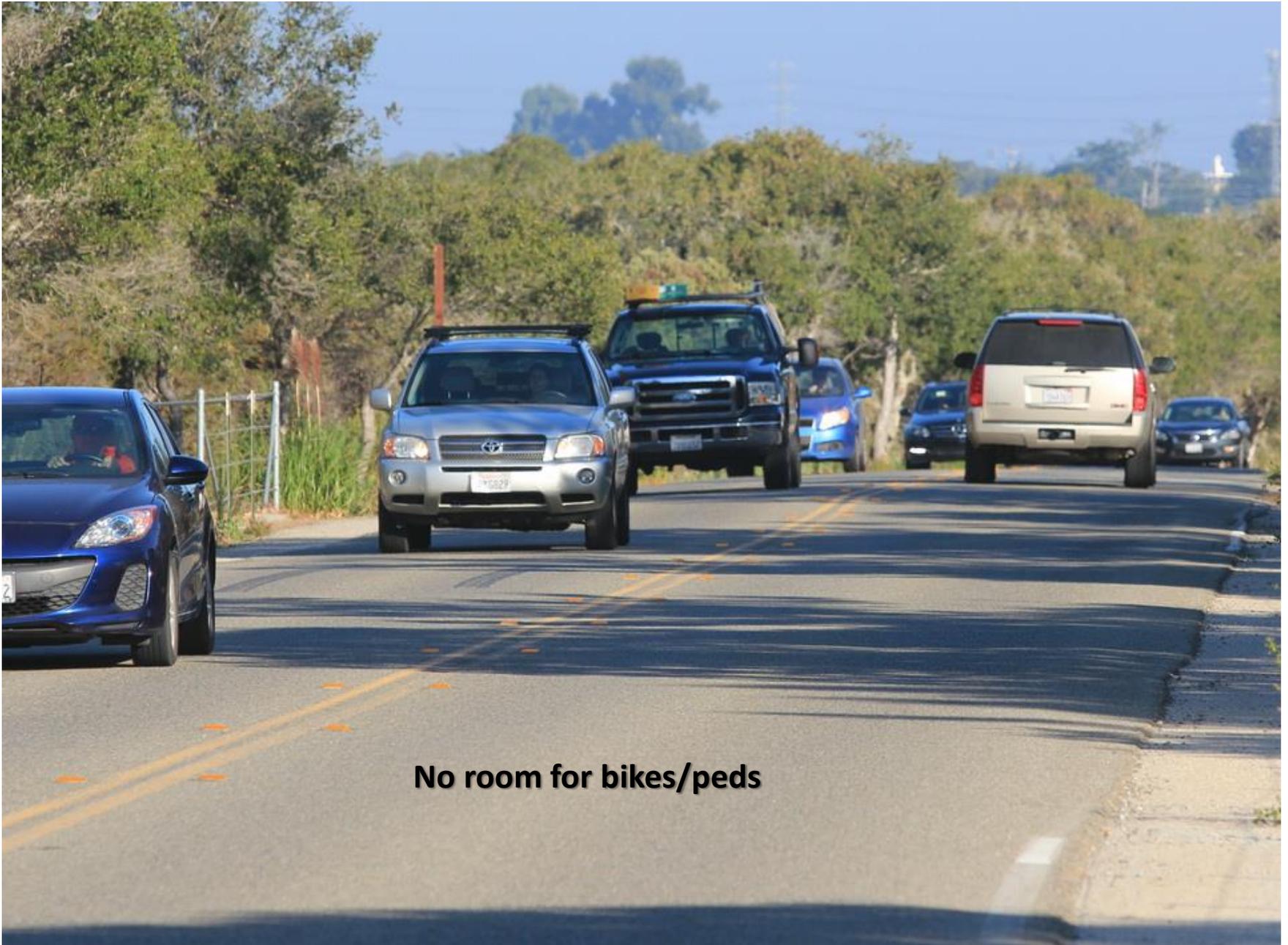


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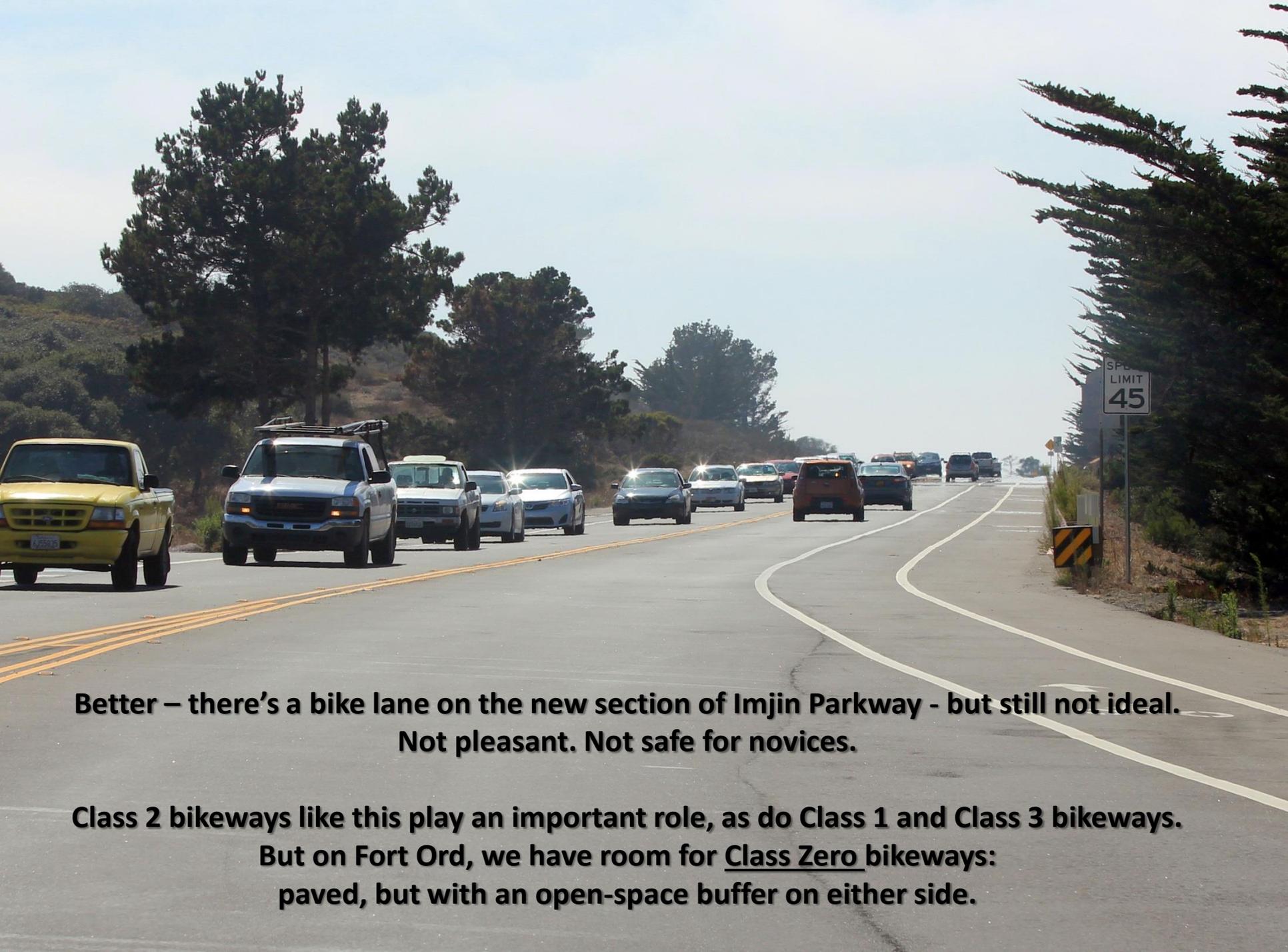


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We've made progress on upgrading transportation on Fort Ord.
But some things are still problematic.

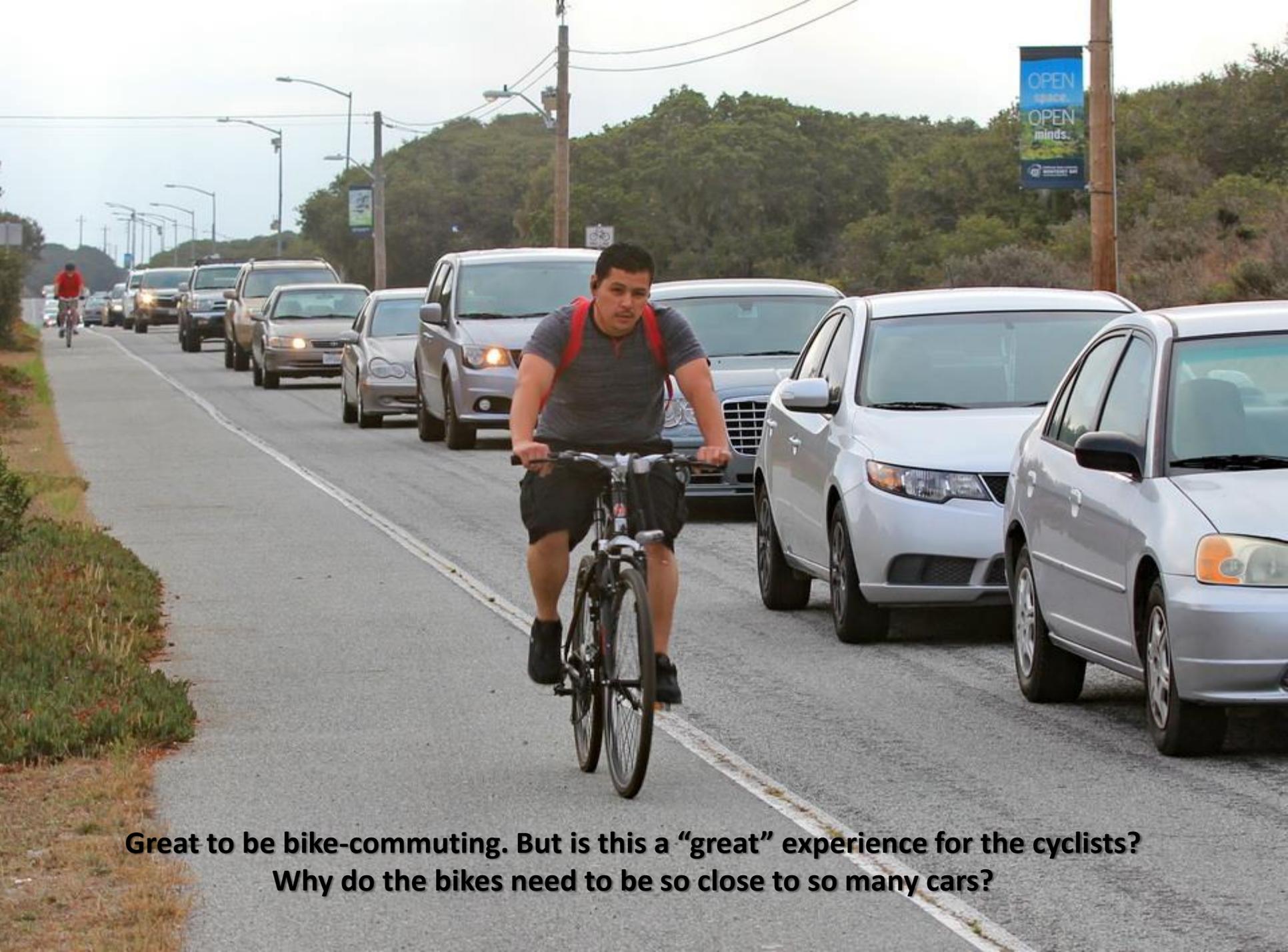


No room for bikes/peds



**Better – there’s a bike lane on the new section of Imjin Parkway - but still not ideal.
Not pleasant. Not safe for novices.**

**Class 2 bikeways like this play an important role, as do Class 1 and Class 3 bikeways.
But on Fort Ord, we have room for Class Zero bikeways:
paved, but with an open-space buffer on either side.**



**Great to be bike-commuting. But is this a “great” experience for the cyclists?
Why do the bikes need to be so close to so many cars?**



Ditto. This time a walk-commuter. Not the most pleasant walk to work – despite the abundance of open-space on either side of the road.



The new Gen. Jim Moore Blvd may seem spacious – except at 8:30 am when it’s gridlocked at Seaside Middle School. There’s plenty of room in our landscape for bike/ped paths that circumvent this.

Fort Ord National Monument – our backyard



**Salinas River – part of the former Fort Ord – Historical and cultural icon.
This area is largely City land. This view can be made readily accessible.**



Fort Ord has many hidden gems within easy reach of residential areas



The existing Coastal Rec Trail* is a wonderful example of what we can add to the palette of transportation and recreation options in the more inland parts of Fort Ord



Coastal Rec Trail – shared uses, and a “greenway” setting



Coastal Rec Trail – a wide range of users, every day and weekend, at all times of day



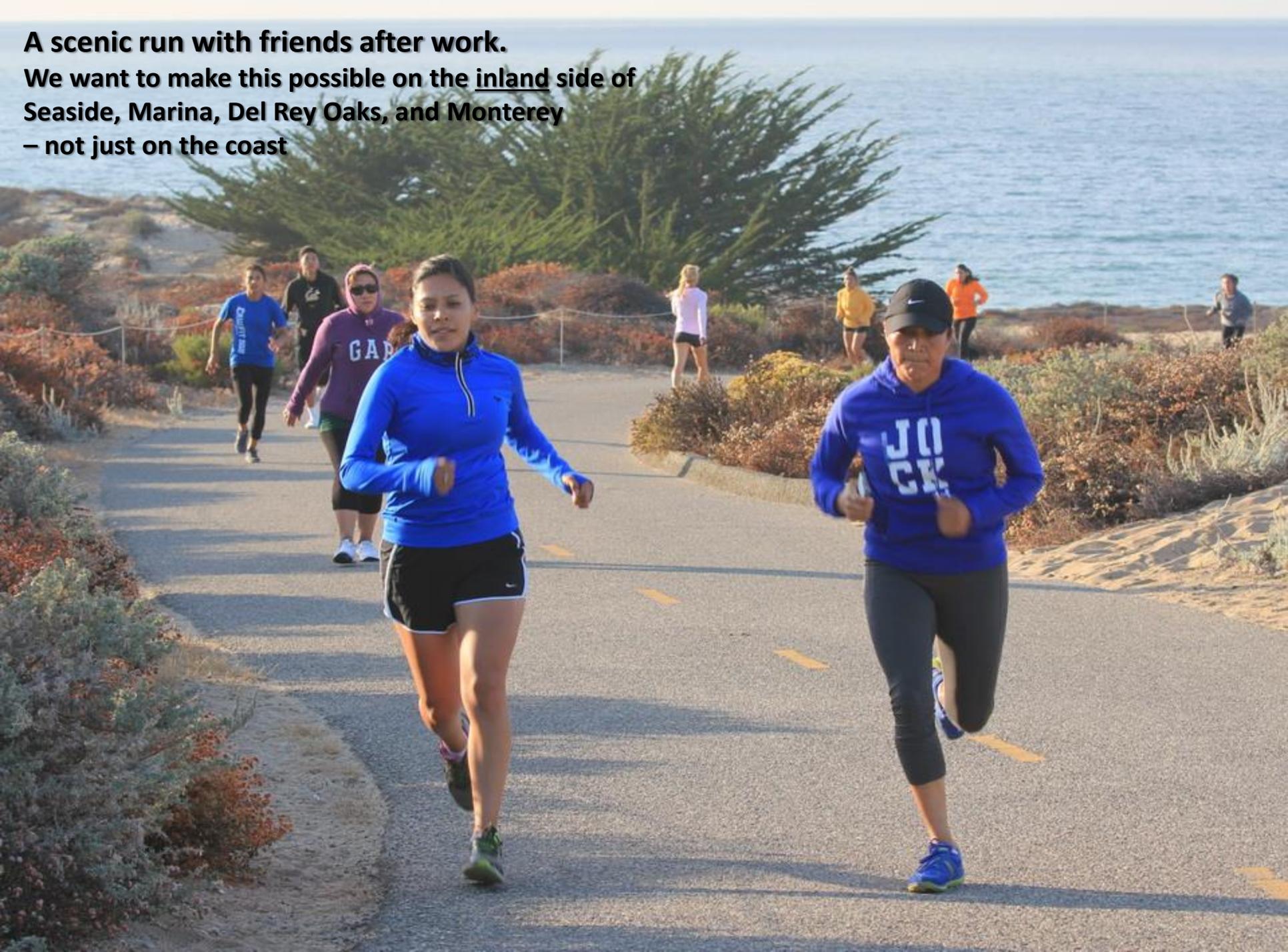
Coastal Rec Trail – safe for kids, room to move



Paved bike/ped trails are a way to access the Fort Ord backcountry



**A scenic run with friends after work.
We want to make this possible on the inland side of
Seaside, Marina, Del Rey Oaks, and Monterey
– not just on the coast**



People are more likely to bike commute if there's even just 30 feet of open space between trails and cars.



**What a commute!
We have more natural assets like this that we're not yet fully using.**



The many forms of commuting along trails in greenways
(which don't always have to be colored "green")



Paved trails separated from cars are much more accessible than “Class 1” trails, which can be very close to traffic, and often have many places where the trail crosses roads.



**This is an open county road.
We need to create safer places to accomplish the same goals,
and we have the room to do it.**



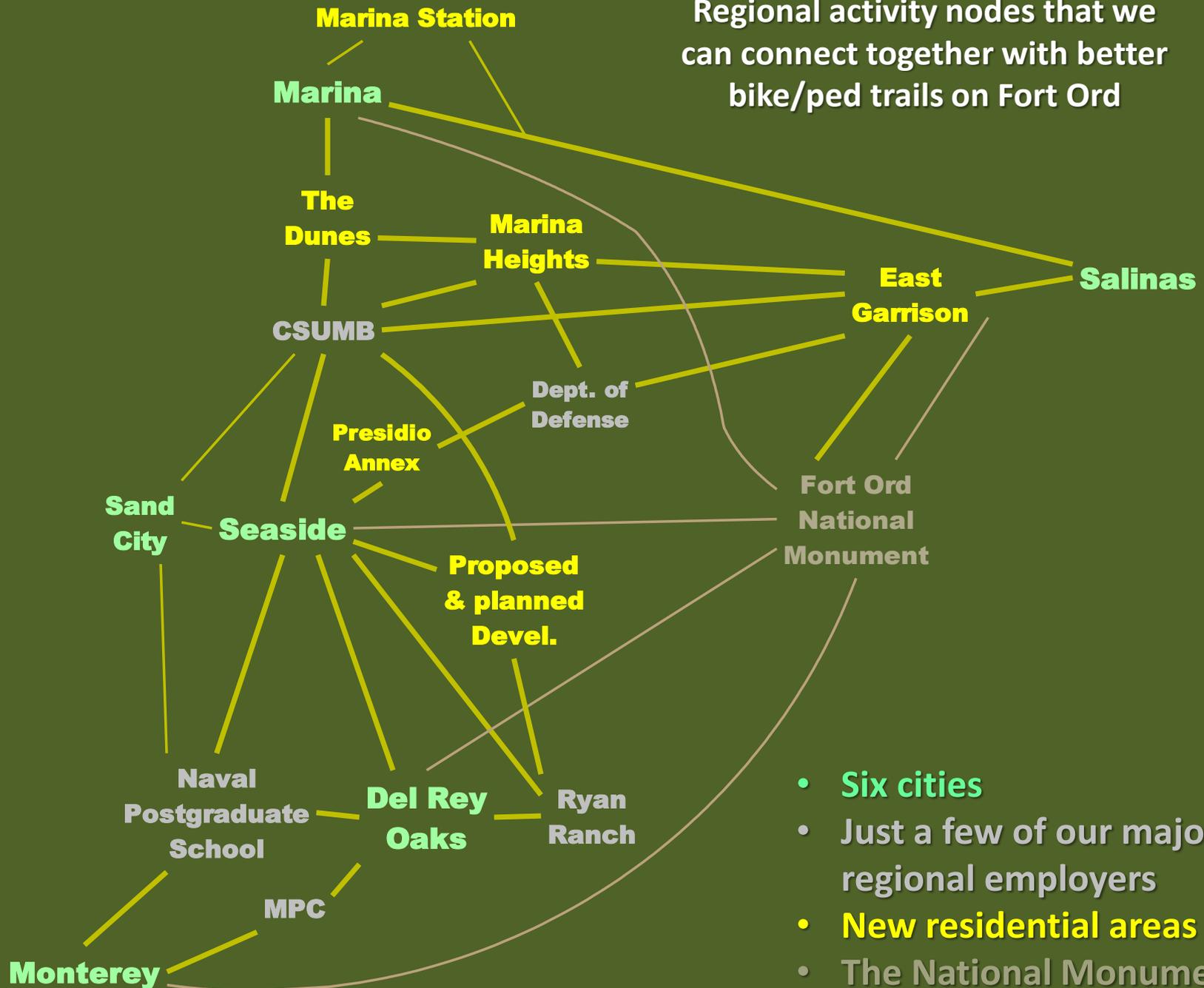
Commuting on a trail with room creates social opportunities



Another healthy bike commuter 😊

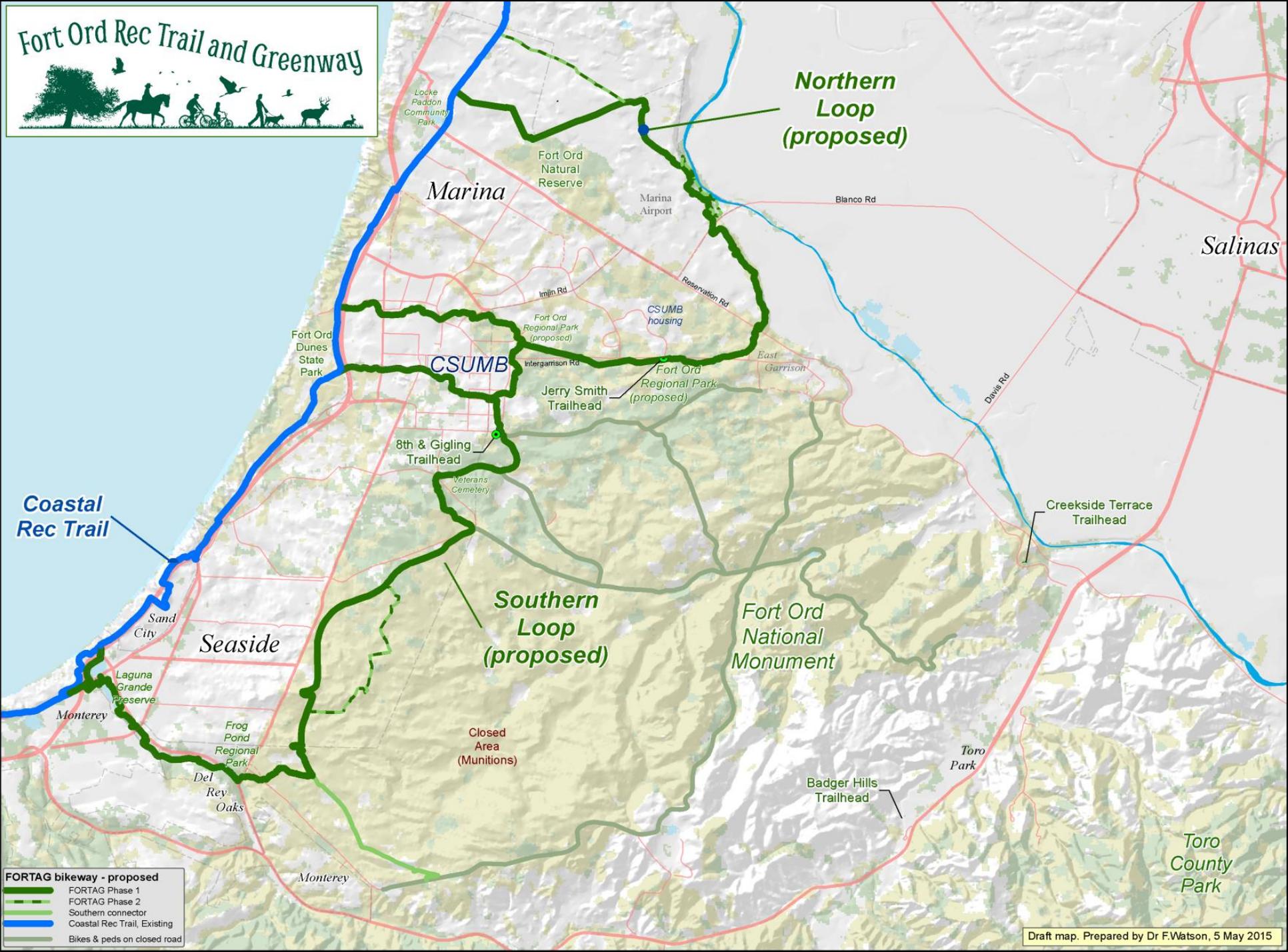


Regional activity nodes that we can connect together with better bike/ped trails on Fort Ord



- Six cities
- Just a few of our major regional employers
- New residential areas
- The National Monument

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Coastal Rec Trail

Northern Loop (proposed)

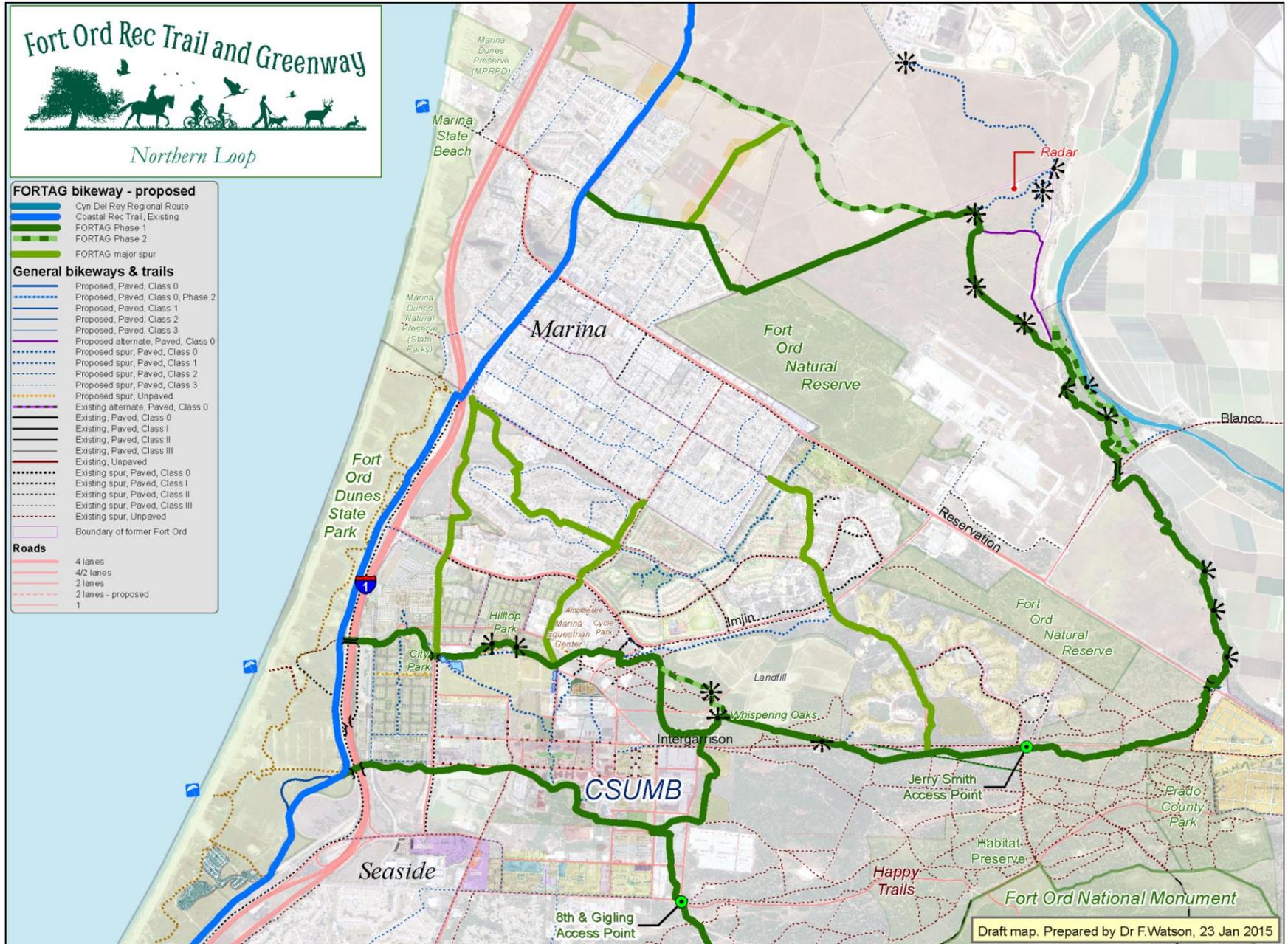
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FORTAG bikeway - proposed

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- FORTAG Phase 2
- Southern connector
- Coastal Rec Trail, Existing
- Bikes & peds on closed road

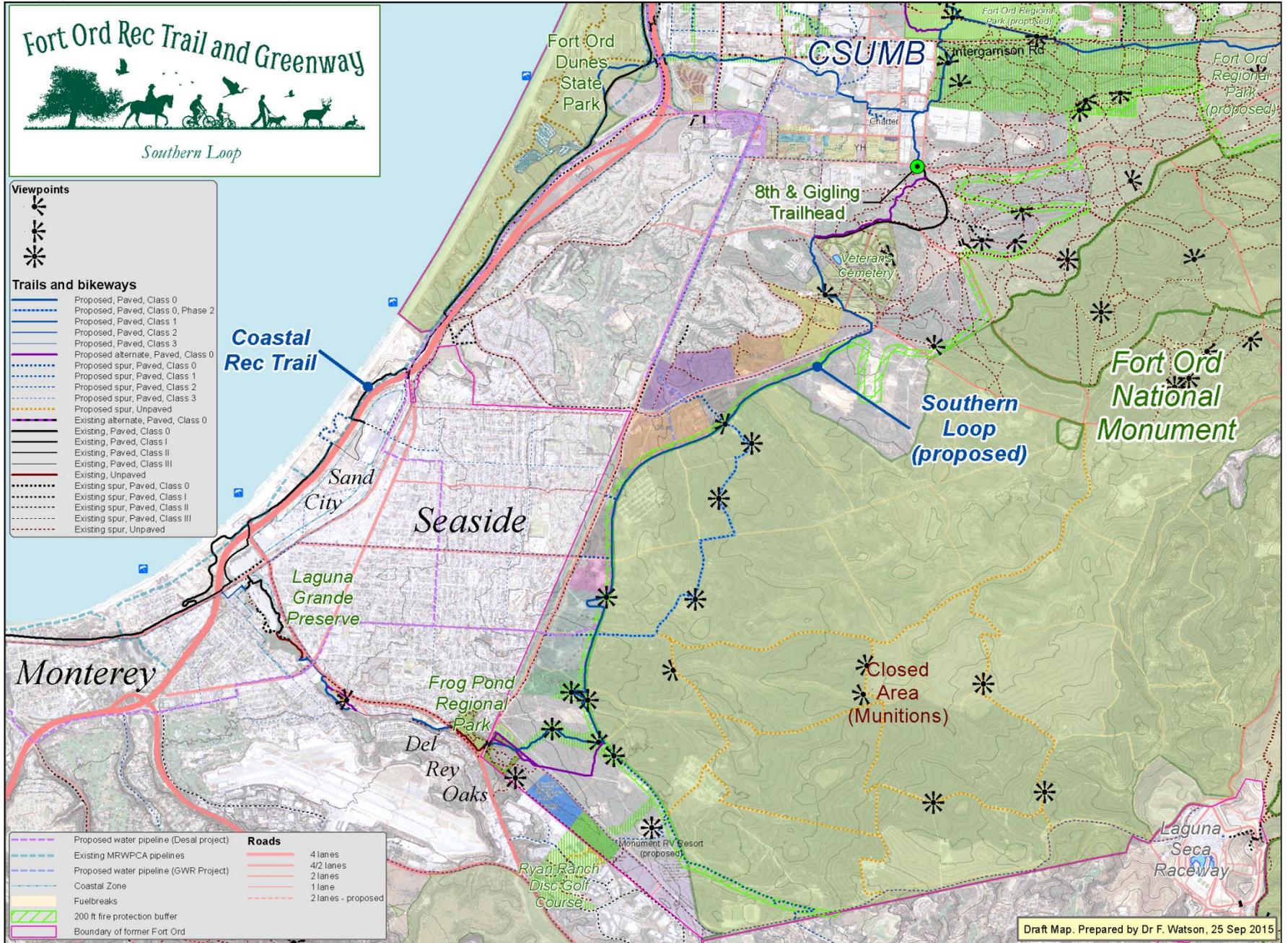
FORTAG – Major trail connections within Marina

Map illustrates how FORTAG is intended to be easily reachable from all communities



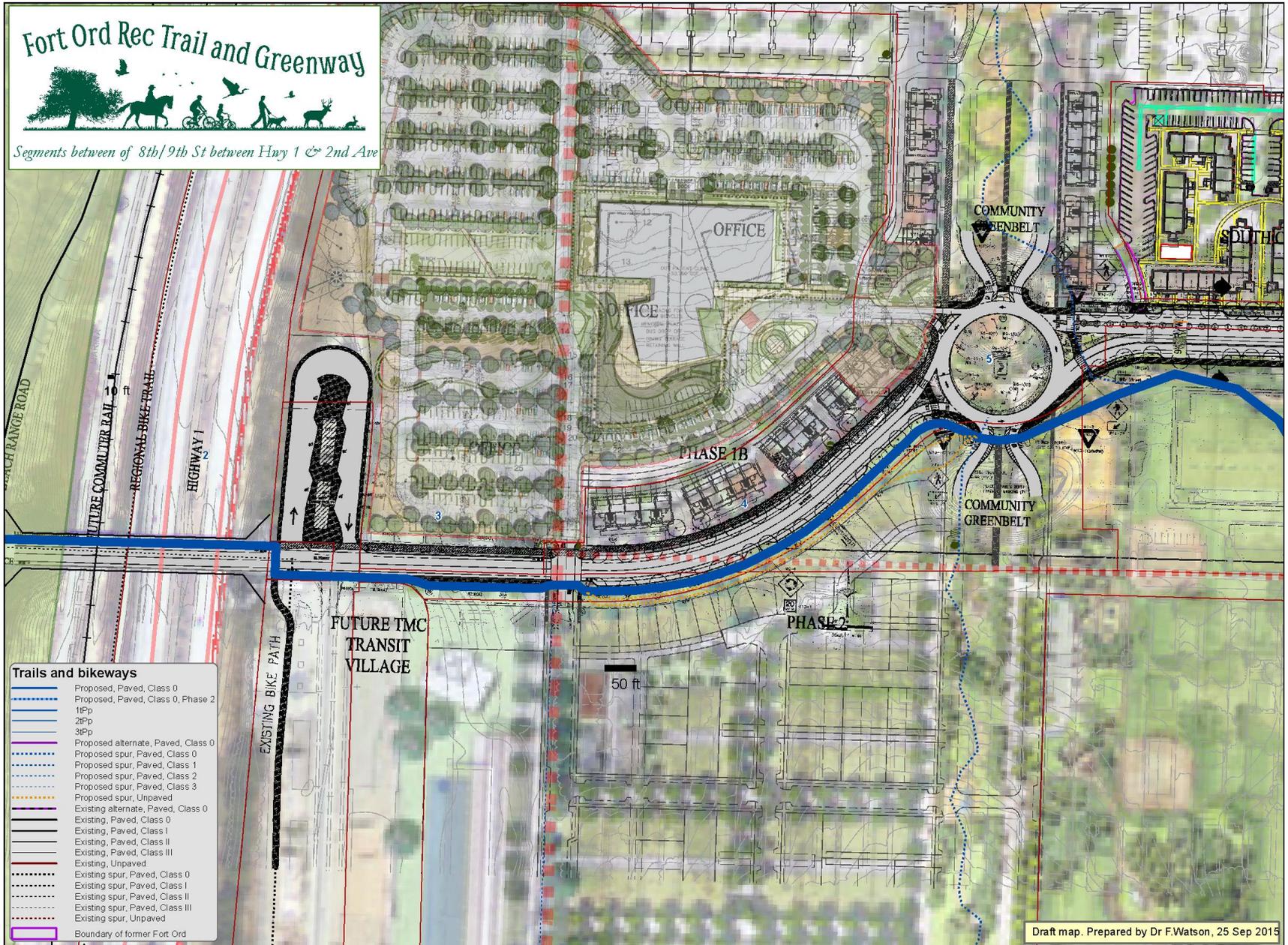
FORTAG – southern loop near Seaside & Del Rey Oaks

Map provides an example of the level of detail of planning to date, and the multitude of stakeholders



FORTAG – Detail near 8th St Bridge

Map illustrates detailed approach to planning near crucial nodes



3D rendering of some FORTAG sections

Illustrates how we're looking at FORTAG from every conceivable angle

(Also illustrates where we're discussing the future main connection between FORTAG and East Garrison)

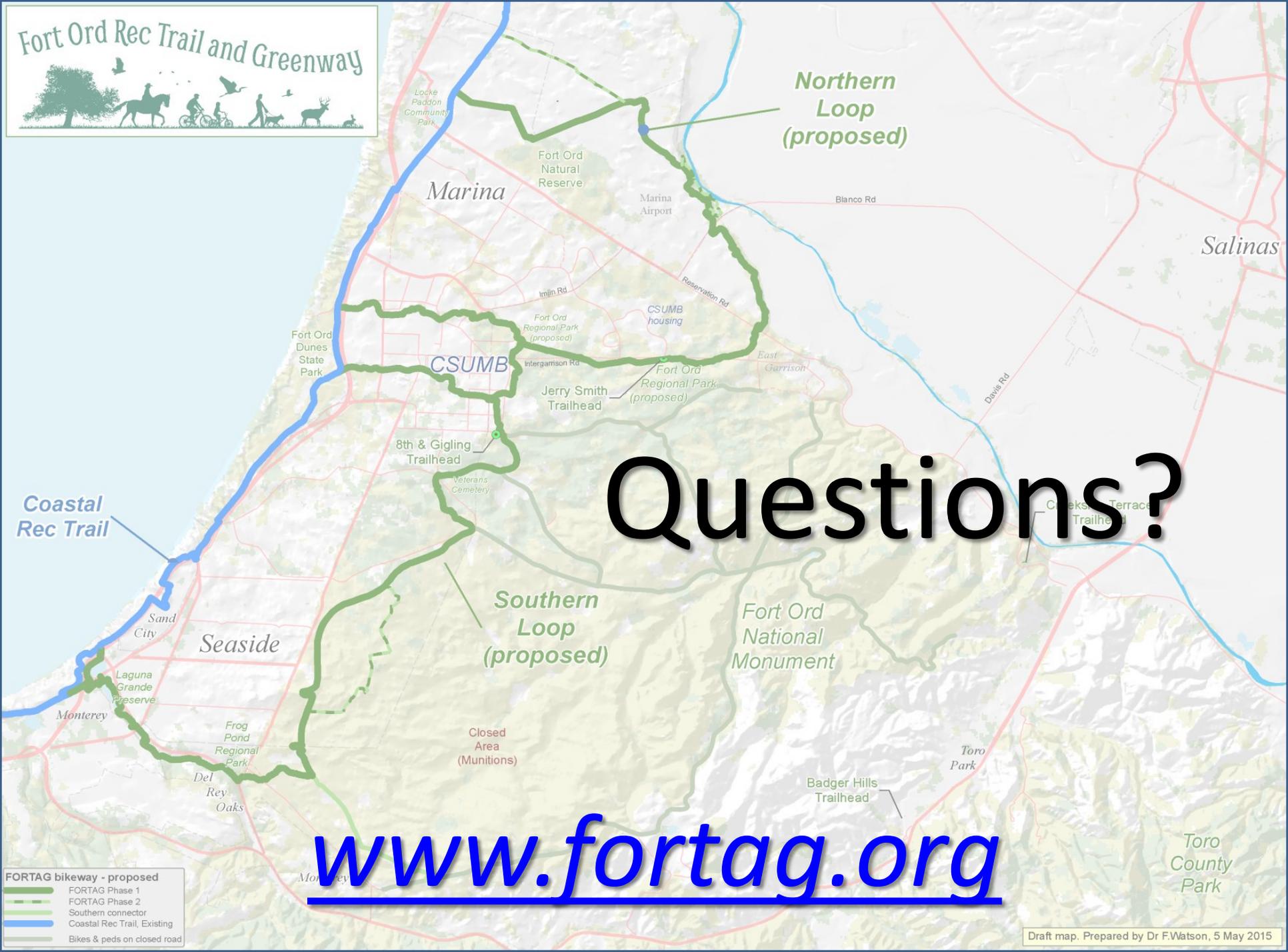




By the way, if you happen to be shown in one of these photos and either: (1) want a copy of the photo, or (2) want the photo to be removed from our outreach materials, then just let us know.

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Questions?

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