UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA CAMPUS CYCLING PLAN UPDATE

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Outline

- 1. Purpose
- 2. Review of Phase 1 Engagement Findings
- 3. Review of Phase 2 Engagement Process
- 4. Major Network Options
- 5. Network Upgrades
- 6. Policy and Strategy
- 7. Next Steps







PURPOSE OF TODAY

- provide an overview of the Campus Cycling Plan process so far
- highlight what we've heard through our campus community
- share the strategies, policies and bicycle network being considered
- hear what YOU have to say about the options proposed for the Campus Cycling Plan

Planning Process

Phase 1 - initial engagement, on-line survey, establishing advisory committee and stakeholder groups, background data collection;

Phase 2 - ongoing engagement and meetings with advisory and stakeholder groups, review of initial findings, network development, policy options and recommendations; and

Phase 3 – prepare draft plans, implementation plan, final meetings and engagement, final plan.



Review of Key Topics

- 1. Enhancing cycling connections leading to/from the campus core Connections to campus remain a key concern and the addition or improvement of cycling facilities for key access point remains a priority.
- 2. Ring Road Improvements around or within Ring Road was identified as a top priority in both the survey and public engagement process. This is also a key problem area for cyclist/pedestrian/vehicle interactions.
- **3. End-of-Trip Facilities** There is currently a shortage of facilities on UVic campus with the lack showers, change rooms and bike parking being key issues in multiple areas of campus.
- **3.** Enhancing Pedestrian and Cycling Safety and Comfort It is suggested that the University explore the merits of a shared space policy and review potential options for cycling facilities that support the separation of pedestrian and cyclists in some areas.



WHAT WE'VE HEARD

Campus Community Engagement | Fall 2017

The first phase of engagement included a series of pop-ups and classroom presentations, a campus-wide launch event, and an online survey.

ENGAGEMENT REACH

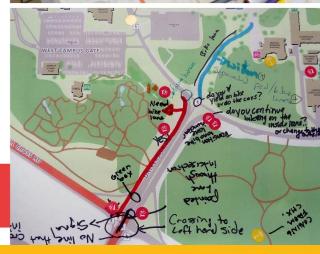
- → Campus-wide launch event 60 people attended
- → Online Survey 1,306 people participated
- → 8 Campus Pop-ups more than 750 conversations

KEY TAKE-AWAYS

- » Desire to make it easier to walk and cycle on campus
- » Ring Road is a top priority for improvements
- » Majority of cycling and pedestrian congestion occurs near or inside Ring Road
- » Connections to campus remain a safety concern
- » New or improved cycling facilities are needed at key access points
- » Need for more end-of-trip facilities (e.g. bicycle parking, showers, change rooms).





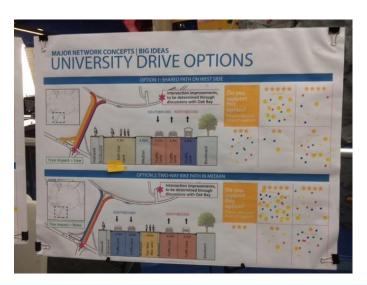


INFORMATION COLLECTED FROM THESE EVENTS AND THE ONLINE SURVEY HAS SHAPED THE INITIAL IDEAS AND CONCEPTS PRESENTED TODAY

Phase 2 – Engagement

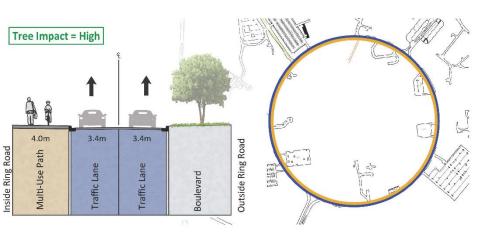
- Interactive On-Line Survey
 - February 26 March 29
 - 550 responses to far
- Campus Pop-Up Engagement
 - Tuesday, February 27 McPherson Library Lobby
 - Wednesday, February 28 Student Union Building
 - Thursday, March 1 CARSA Lobby



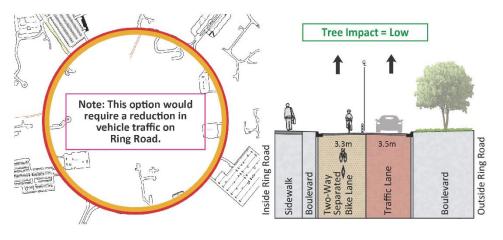




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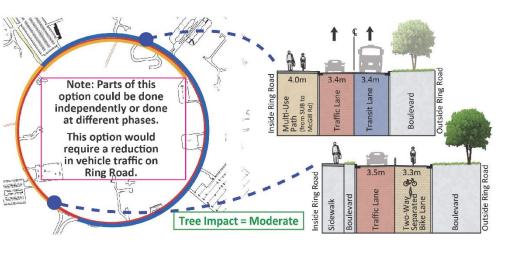
Option 1 Keep Ring Road as is for vehicles, and add a shared pathway inside of Ring Road



Option 2 Provide a two-way protected bike lane on Ring Road, removing one vehicle lane



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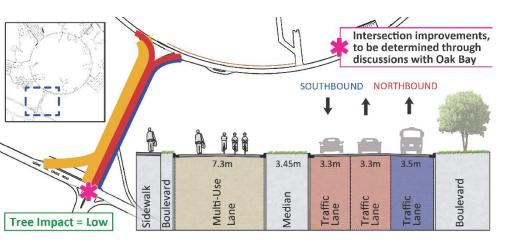
Option 3 Provide a two-way protected bike lane and transit priority lane by removing one vehicle lane



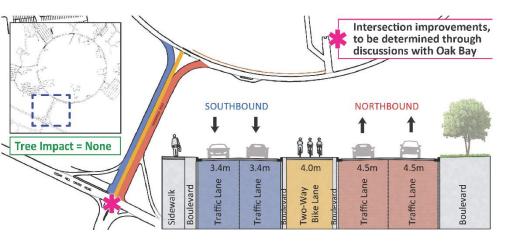
Option 4 Keep Ring Road as it is



MAJOR NETWORK CONCEPTS | BIG IDEAS UNIVERSITY DRIVE OPTIONS



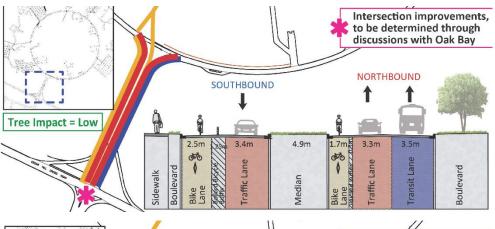
Option 1 Create a shared path on the west side of the existing median



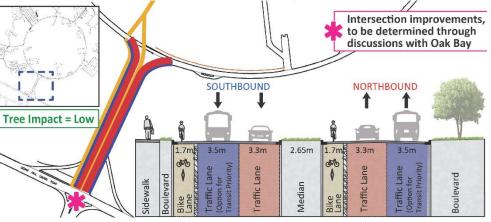
Option 2 Add a two way bike path on to the median



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Option 3a Bike lanes on both northbound and southbound lanes. Remove one southbound lane to create protected bike lane.



Option 3b Bike lanes on both northbound and southbound lanes. Maintain both southbound lanes.

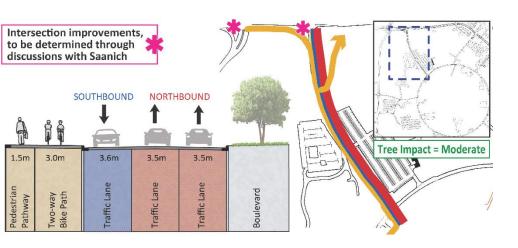




Option 4 No change



MAJOR NETWORK CONCEPTS | BIG IDEAS MCGILL ROAD OPTIONS



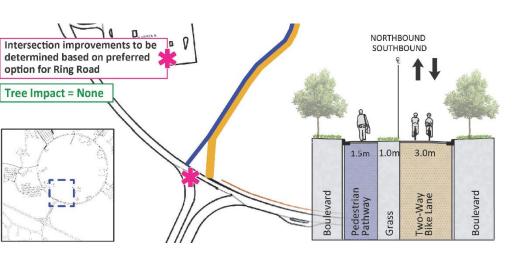
Option 1 Multi-use path parallel to McGill Road



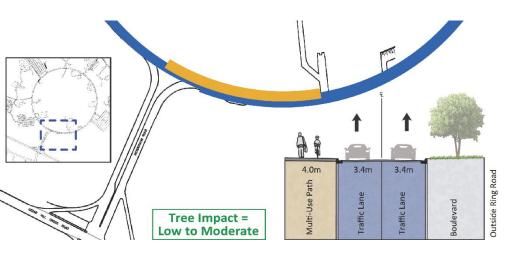
Option 2 No change



FOUR KEY LOCATIONS



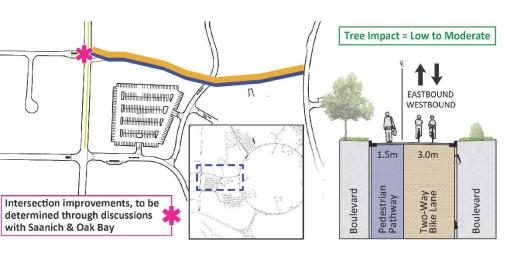
University Drive Pathway Create separate pathways for both pedestrians and cyclists from Ring Road to the Quad



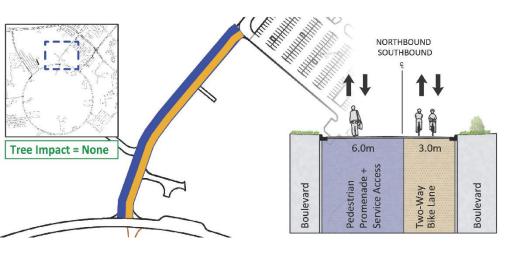
Engineering Pathway Widen the existing sidewalk to 4m from University Drive to the ECS building to accommodate cyclists and pedestrians



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Midgard Avenue Widen and delineate pedestrian and bike lanes

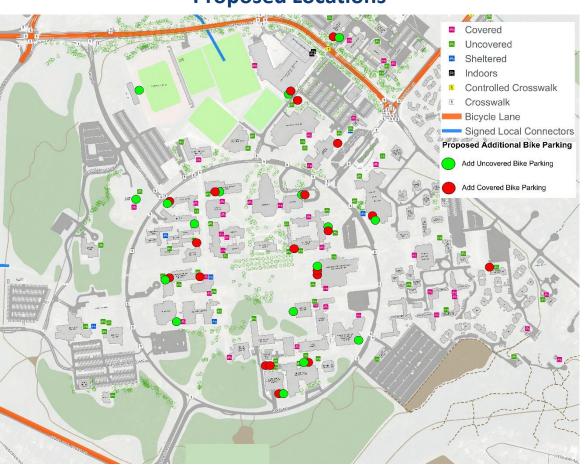


Gabriola and Ring Road Close Gabriola to non-service vehicles south of the parking lot 2. Create pedestrian and cycling promenade with delineated pathways



PROPOSED LOCATIONS FOR BICYCLE PARKING

Proposed Locations



WHAT WE HEARD: SURVEY FEEDBACK

620 locations flagged **452** comments provided



49% said bike racks are full



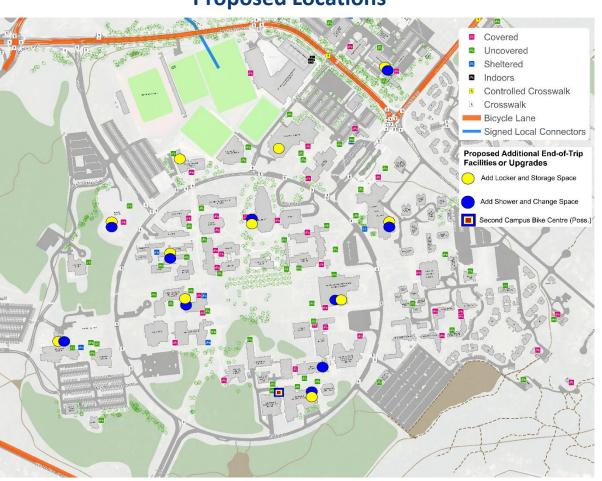
11% said bike parking isn't available at preferred destinations

Issues were distributed across campus, including the engineering building, in front of the Library and CARSA.



END-OF-TRIP FACILITIES

Proposed Locations



WHAT WE HEARD: SURVEY FEEDBACK

242 locations flagged137 comments provided





Issues were distributed across campus, including the engineering building, David Turpin Building, in front of the Library and at the University Centre.



Initial Policy Considerations

- Bike Parking and End-of-Trip Guidelines to ensure convenient options exist for growing numbers of cyclists
- Separate and Shared Spaces Policies and directions to create safe and comfortable environments for both pedestrians and cyclists
- Bicycle Sharing guidelines and policies to manage the introduction of a paid bike-share system on campus
- Transportation Surveys and Metrics recommendations to better understand the travel patterns of the campus community



Next Steps



