

2545 Kohler Drive
Boulder, CO 80305

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Public Works Department
City of Boulder
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Dear Public Works Department:

We are parents of current (and future) middle school students who bike to school at Southern Hills Middle School. We all live in the Highland Park neighborhood of Boulder, west of Broadway and North of Table Mesa Drive. There are many other children in our neighborhood who also bike to Southern Hills, as well as to Fairview High School. We are concerned about the safety of our children when crossing Table Mesa Drive during times of heavy traffic before and after school, because the current configuration of traffic lights really does not offer any options that are both safe and legal.

For the time being, we have all agreed that the safest option for traveling to school in the morning is for our children to bike along the sidewalk on the north side of Table Mesa from Gillaspie to the traffic light in front of King Soopers, cross Table Mesa at the light there, and then bike back up the sidewalk on the south side of Table Mesa to Gillaspie and proceed along Gillaspie towards Southern Hills.

But this route is problematic because it requires biking against traffic along narrow sidewalks which are used by pedestrians, as well as by cyclists traveling in the opposite direction. This creates many opportunities for collisions; moreover, it violates the law against biking on sidewalks which are not designated bike paths.

We would prefer that our children be able to cross Table Mesa at Yale Road and then proceed along Yale to Gillaspie. This would greatly reduce their interaction with the heavy traffic along Table Mesa and would be much safer overall; however, we feel that without a traffic light it simply is not possible for them to cross that intersection safely during times of heavy traffic before and after school. Therefore, we would like to propose that the city install a traffic light at the intersection of Table Mesa Drive and Yale Road in order to facilitate safe crossing of the intersection by children biking to and from school. A pedestrian/cyclist-activated light similar to the new light on Regent Drive by the Engineering Building on the CU campus would suffice, and such a light would not impede the flow of traffic when pedestrians or cyclists are not present.

Having such a safer alternative for crossing Table Mesa would make many parents feel much more comfortable with the idea of their children biking to school; this could have the advantage of reducing overall car traffic to and from Southern Hills and Fairview. We hope that

you will seriously consider our proposal.

Sincerely,

Jim M. Clelland

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The following people want to see a traffic light at Table Mesa Drive and Yale Road, Boulder, CO.

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