

Sally Grigg
Treasurer

Bill Knapp
Secretary

Kevin Michel
Director

Robert Scott
Vice-Chair

Thad Van Bueren
Chair

Vacant
Alternate



Westport Municipal Advisory Council

P. O. Box 307, Westport, CA 95488
www.westportmac.org

11 January 2017

Mr. Gary Johnson, Area Manager
CALTRANS- District 1
1656 Union Street
Ukiah, California 95501

Dear Mr. Johnson:

On behalf of the residents of the area covered by the Westport Municipal Advisory Council, reaching between Rockport and Ten Mile Bridge, I want to express our unanimous appreciation for the work done by CALTRANS and contractor Granite for improving Highway One in the vicinity of Seaside Beach and Ocean Meadows.

The curve of the highway between the north end of Seaside Beach to the north end of Ocean Meadows was an unsafe challenge for pedestrians, cyclists and motorists alike. Motorists passing bikes there had no vision of oncoming vehicles. The improved lane width with shoulders addresses that problem. The eastside parking area on the north end of the beach also improves safety for off highway parking and pedestrians seeking to cross the highway.

As Seaside Beach becomes more popular we also appreciate the additional parking on the hillside of the slope of the road. We have had concern that the increased popularity of the area would increase the number of vehicles on both sides being parked too close to the highway. The additional parking area will take the pressure of these areas.

We also greatly appreciate the new work undertaken by CALTRANS north of Chadbourne Gulch. As you know, this is an area of Highway One that has had historic maintenance problems for many years. Those of us who frequently travel between Westport and Fort Bragg for work or shopping look forward to a permanent resolution there.

Please share our appreciation with all those in the District involved. Again, thank you.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Thad M. Van Bueren".

Thad Van Bueren, Chair

cc: U.S. Representative Jared Huffman
State Senator Mike Maguire
State Assembly Member Jim Woods
Mendocino County Supervisor Dan Gjerde
California Caltrans Director, Malcolm Dougherty