From: <u>Nicole Schlumberger</u>

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Dear City of Sebastopol,

I agree with the Sonoma County Bicycle Coalition that replacing the Class II bicycle lanes on Morris Street with sharrows is unacceptable. Studies show that not only DON'T sharrows improve safety, they can actually REDUCE safety. Compromising the safety of cyclists on the West County Trail in favor of RV parking violates the City's own Bicycle & Pedestrian Master Plan. Either follow Option 2 (removing one parking lane and widening the other) OR remove the RV encampment and keep us safe!

I run and bike in that area frequently and it is not a safe zone. I end up running on the opposite side of the road as it doesn't feel appropriate or safe to run on the sidewalk with the RVs there. Less spaces for pedestrians and cyclists will put us at risk. Please don't make that area less safe than it already is.

Thank you, Nicole Schlumberger