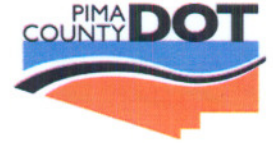




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February 9, 2010

Jean Gorman  
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**Subject: Catalina Highway Trailhead**

Dear Ms. Gorman:

I am very sorry to hear of the untimely death of your granddaughter recently. I am sure you and your family are devastated by it and you are in my thoughts and prayers.

I wanted to give you an update on the Catalina Trailhead issue. There has been a lot of confusion about what happened and Pima County Department of Transportation's future steps. The initial bike trailhead site that was considered, located by Spruce Lane, has been discarded. The County Administrator had previously indicated you could meet with the residents but if there was any opposition to that location then it would not be considered any further. As you may know, we recently received an e-mail from a resident who indicated that he and his neighbors were opposed. As a result, the department will not pursue this location; however, the County Administrator has asked us to investigate other locations. We had studied the Bear Canyon Library site and are in the process of investigating other possible locations along Catalina Highway further north. That investigation evaluating safety, sight visibility, adequate space for parking, property ownership and costs, is currently underway by Traffic Engineering. When we receive their report we will consider our next steps in terms of public involvement to obtain input on the location(s). Be assured that Pima County is committed to establishing a bike trailhead for riders traveling Mount Lemmon/Catalina Highway, what is currently unknown is the location.

Currently, because of the controversy and need to interact with multiple County departments, I have been the lead person for Pima County Department of Transportation on this project. I will obtain assistance from others in the department as needed. We will keep you and the biking community informed of our future activities.

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Your proactive activities over the years on bicycling issues in the community is much appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Priscilla Cornelio", with a large, stylized loop at the end of the name.

Priscilla S. Cornelio, P.E.  
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- c: The Honorable Ray Carroll, Board of Supervisor, District 4
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- John M. Bernal, Deputy County Administrator
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