

Highway 13 Paved Shoulders from Bayfield to Cornucopia

The citizens of Northwest Wisconsin request:

- **Paved, five foot shoulders to be included in upcoming Highway 13 improvements, between Bayfield and Cornucopia.**

The North Coast Cycling Association (NCCA) anticipates that Hwy 13 will be a major artery of its Comprehensive Biking Plan for the northern section of Bayfield County. We recognize that Hwy 13 will become the principle cycling corridor between Superior and Ashland, WI. Hwy 13 offers a safer, more scenic and generally more desirable route than Hwy 2 (which has heavy automobile and truck traffic).

However, currently there are no paved shoulders between Cornucopia in the Town of Bell and Old County Hwy K in the Town of Russell. Wisconsin DOT has plans to pave 3' shoulders along this section; we argue that the additional cost of paving another 2' (for a total width of 5') is well worth the cost as it will further separate auto/truck traffic from cyclists and greatly increase the margin of safety.

Supplemental Information:

1. Currently there are 5' paved shoulders between Bayfield and Red Cliff. It is our understanding that this section will be repaved during 2010.
2. There are 3' shoulders between Red Cliff and Old County Hwy K. These shoulders should be widened to 5' when work is scheduled.
3. The shoulders between the interchange of Hwy 2/53 and Hwy 13 in Cornucopia are paved; the conditions are fair to good for these shoulders.

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