Public Works and Infrastructure Committee

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Hello Committee members.

I'm writing to you today to continue the laudable work that the PWIC has done in increasing the minimum cycling grid infrastructure for cycling in Toronto.

Now is not the time to take your feet off the pedals!

The increase in funding for the bicycle infrastructure to 25 Million yearly is still only a small fraction of the overall roads and traffic budget and will make a dramatic impact on thousands of commuters and cyclists lives.

There are untold other benefits to this addition to public infrastructure; Health, environment, impact on existing roads etc... You can also see that other Northern cities such as Oslo are investing huge amounts of money (to the tune of 500 million) on their bicycling infrastructure. <u>http://capovelo.com/oslo-norway-invest-500-million-in-bicycle-infrastructure/</u> so weather should not be an impediment or an excuse.

The committee has many issues to balance for funding but cycling infrastructure should rate high up on the priority list!

Happy cycling!

Best, Asa

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