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Supervisor Briggs,
I understand that Cal Trans proposes to retrofit the 49 bridge in Coloma that crosses the South Fork of the American River, without providing a raised walkway for pedestrians and bicyclists. This seems foolhardy and a shortsighted way to improve the bridge. Many people enjoy the new walk way that has been created from Marshall Rd to the Bridge and now they would not have a safe way to cross the bridge without risking an accident when walking or biking. Also, many tourists driving the 49 highway enjoy stopping and walking out on the bridge to enjoy the view of the river.

Please make sure the bridge is rebuilt to be pedestrian and cyclist friendly, not just safe for cars. Thank you

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Supervisor Briggs, you recently asked Caltrans to make a presentation to the Board of Supervisors concerning their proposed retrofit of the State Route 49 South Fork of the American River Bridge in Coloma near the intersection of State Route 49 and Lotus Road. The project proposes to perform a seismic retrofit, upgrade the bridge rail, and replace the bridge deck without widening the existing structure to accommodate bicycle and pedestrian use. Caltrans needs to include bicycle and pedestrian facilities in the project. There are numerous cyclists and pedestrians that use the bridge currently and as recreation use increases on the South Fork there will only be more. This is a safety issue the potential for a vehicle to injure someone crossing the bridge would be diminished if there was more attention in the design for the safety of pedestrians and cyclists. Thank you.

