To the Mayor and Council,

Poor maintenance of the highway shoulders for cyclists reflects poorly on the Resort Municipality of Whistler. If one drives, or cycles, along the Sea to Sky highway within Whistler, what does one see? The RMOW 'Whistler' logo emblazoned on the name of every neighborhood and various other signs as well as on the side of the Municipal fleet of fossil trucks and buses that traverse the highway.



Could the RMOW therefore please explain why the part of the road used by cars is kept squeaky clean, while the section used by bicycles is left covered in mud and rocks?

Imagine living in a house where someone meticulously keeps their bedroom spotless, every corner free of dust and every item in its place. Yet, when it comes to the shared hallway and kitchen, they're a complete mess, cluttered and dirty. When questioned, the person shrugs and says, "That's my mum's responsibility, not mine."

This is akin to the situation with the RMOW and the Sea to Sky highway through Whistler.

The highway, much like the neglected hallway and kitchen, is a vital part of the community's infrastructure. Used by everyone and running right past the municipality's own facilities and equipment. Despite its importance, it's left in a deplorable state, with bike lanes covered in mud and rocks, while the RMOW claims it's the Provincial government's responsibility to maintain, as if their obligation to the community stops at their doorstep.

Bike lanes are essential for the mobility and safety of both residents and visitors, and are a crucial part

of our ability to reduce greenhouse emissions as identified in all the RMOW's climate plans. They should receive the attention and maintenance they deserve. Could somebody please take responsibility for cleaning up this mess?

I look forward to seeing the steps the RMOW will take to address this issue and to improve the quality of life for all who live in and visit our beautiful community.

Kind Regards,



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