

Portola Drive Temporary Installation Survey Data

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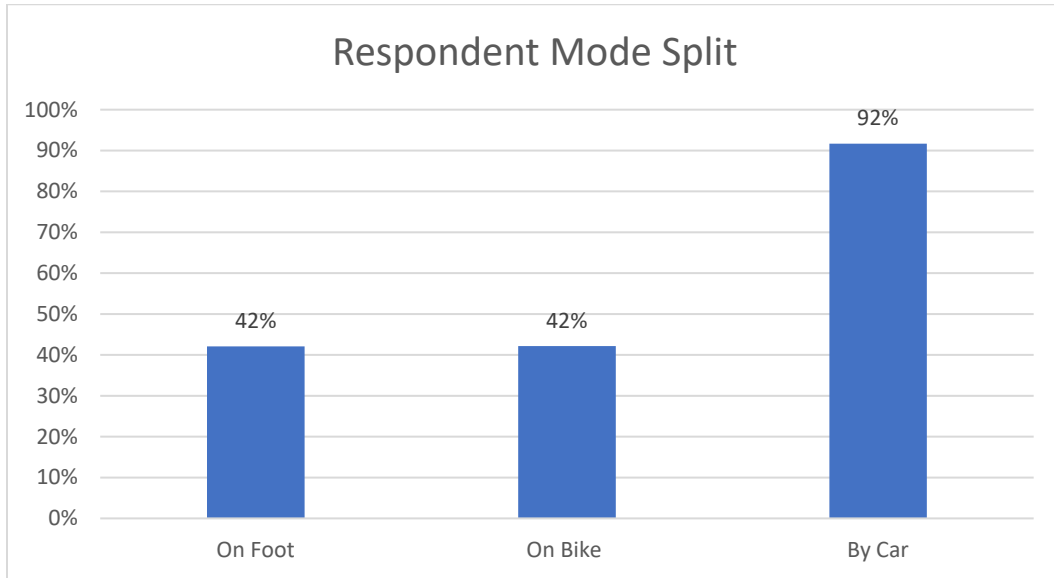
*Includes responses received between June 24th (after construction was complete) and August 1st. 157 responses received before June 24th are not included.

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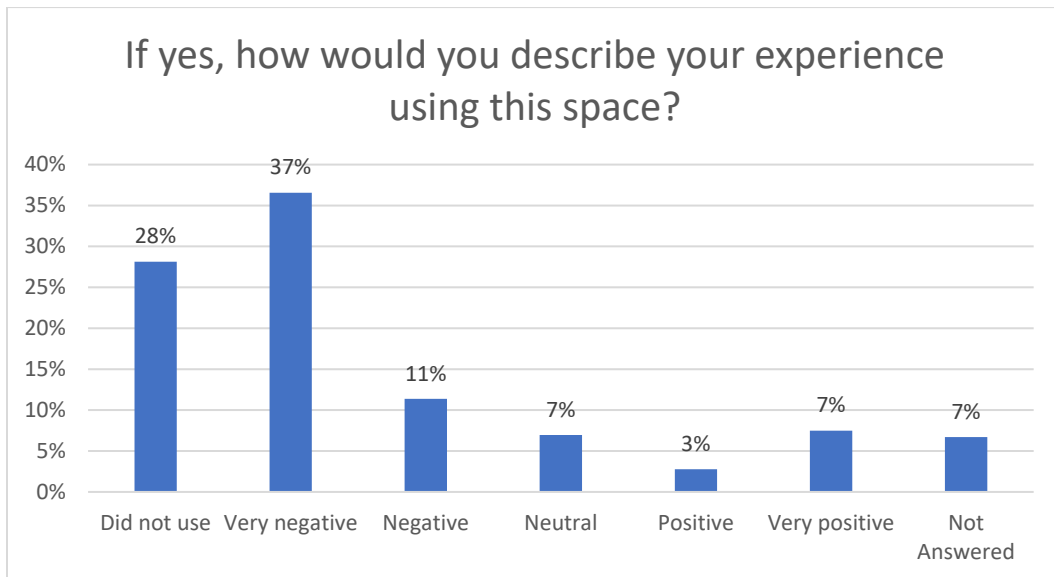
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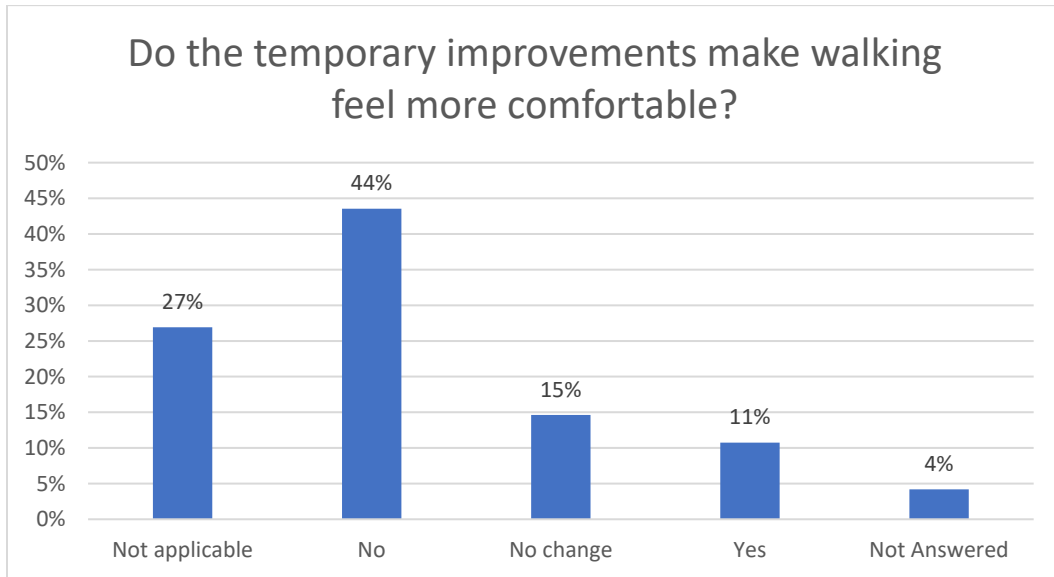
1. Did you experience the installation on foot/by bike/by car? (Respondents could select more than one response)



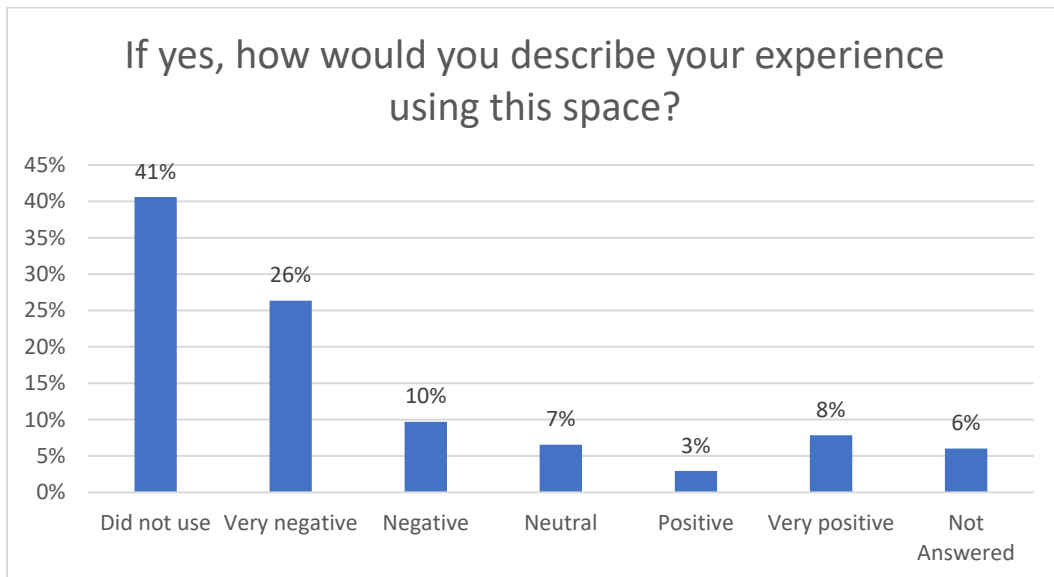
2. If you walked through the demonstration, how would you describe your experience using this space?



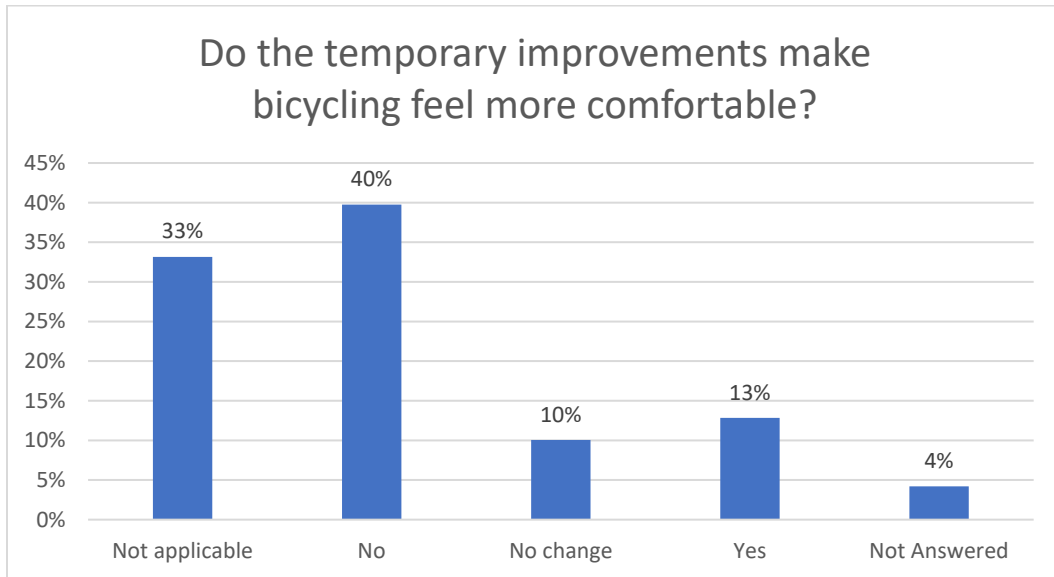
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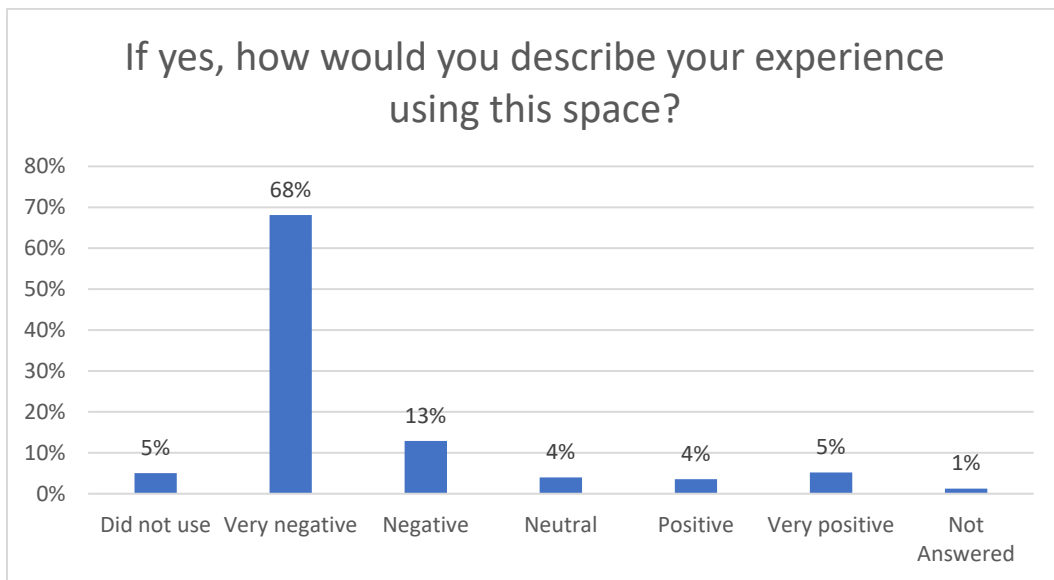
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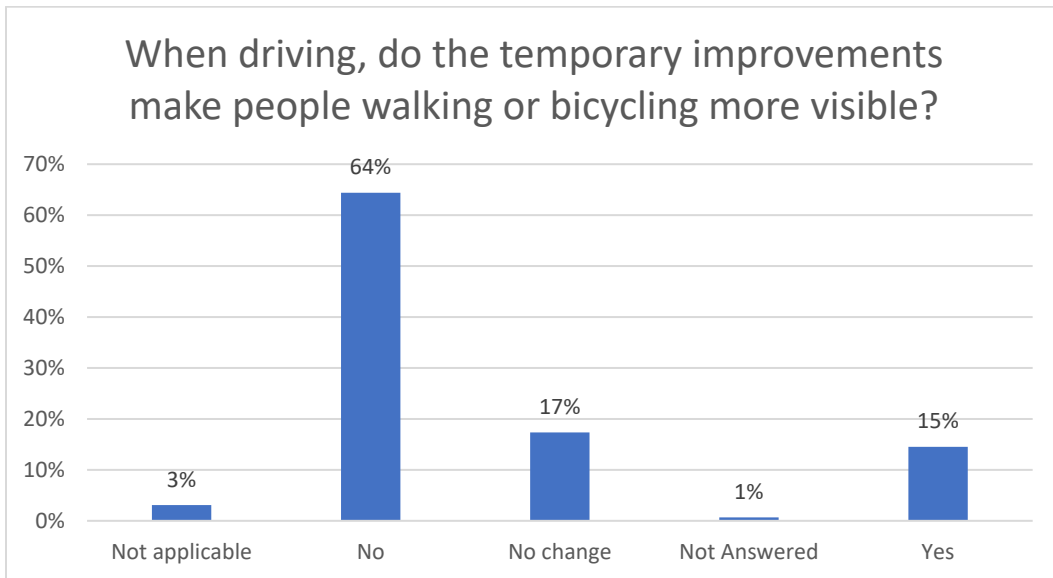
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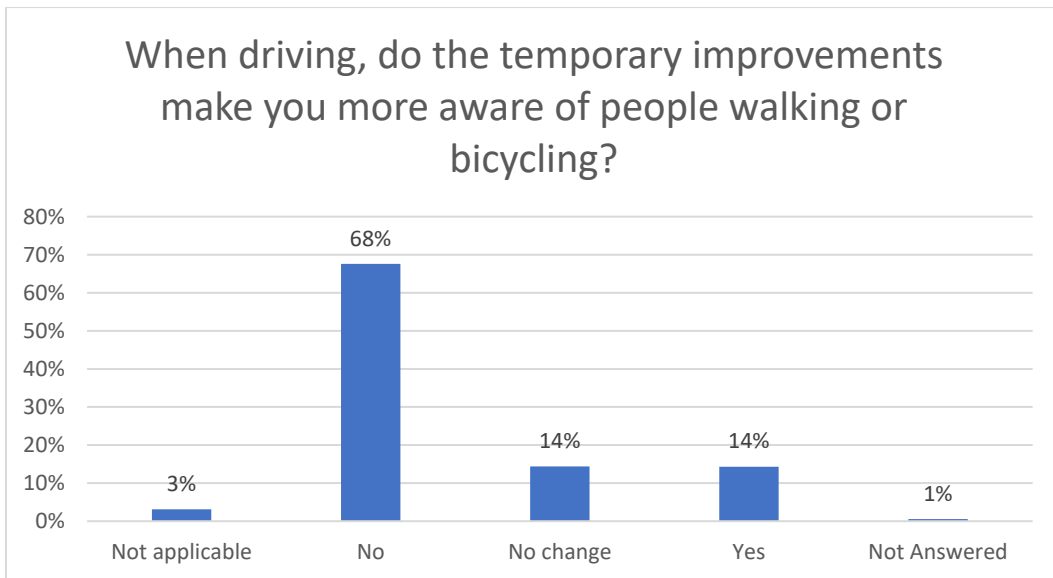
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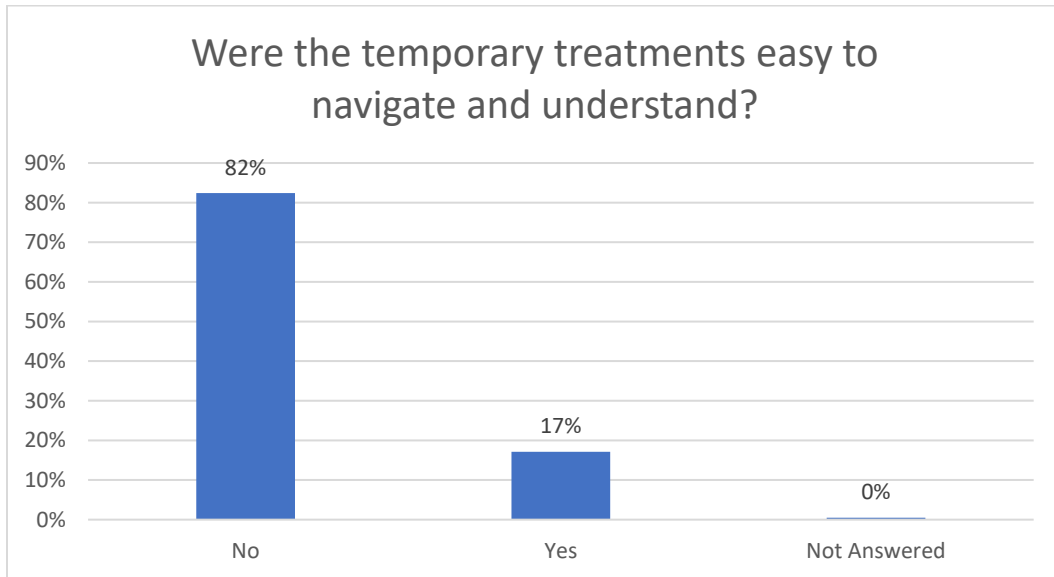
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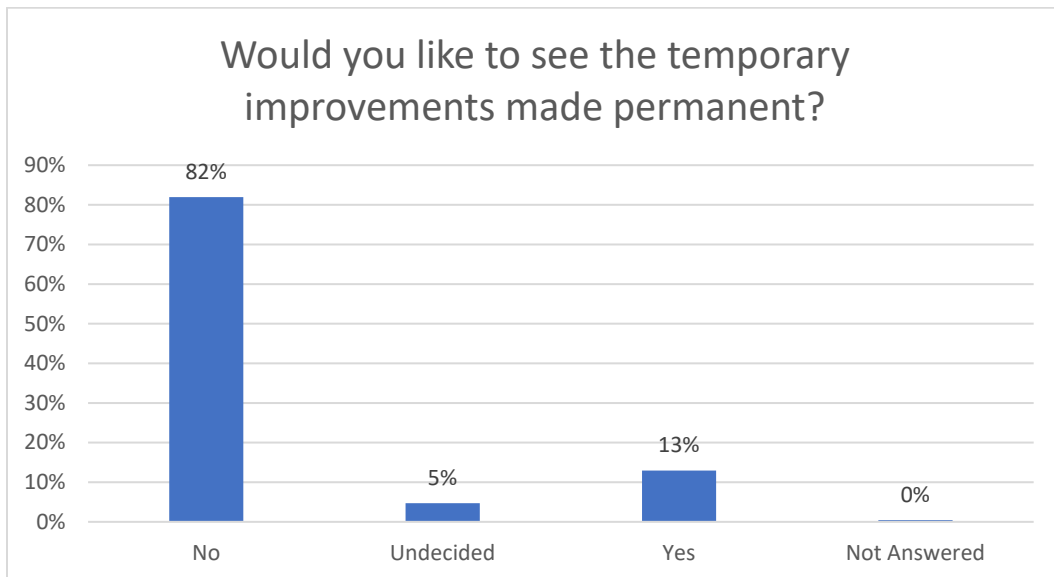
8. When driving, do the temporary improvements make you more aware of people walking or bicycling?



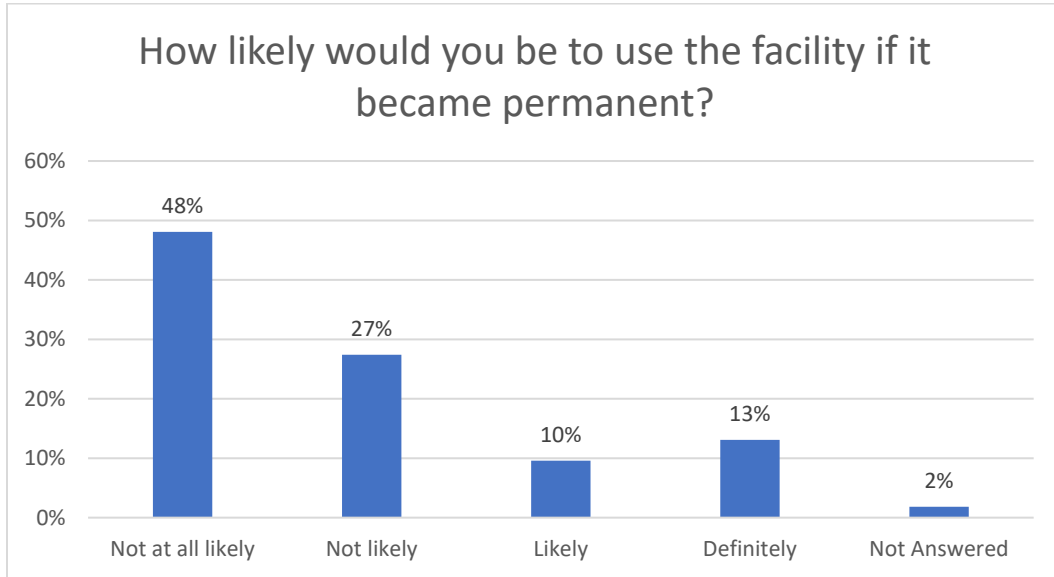
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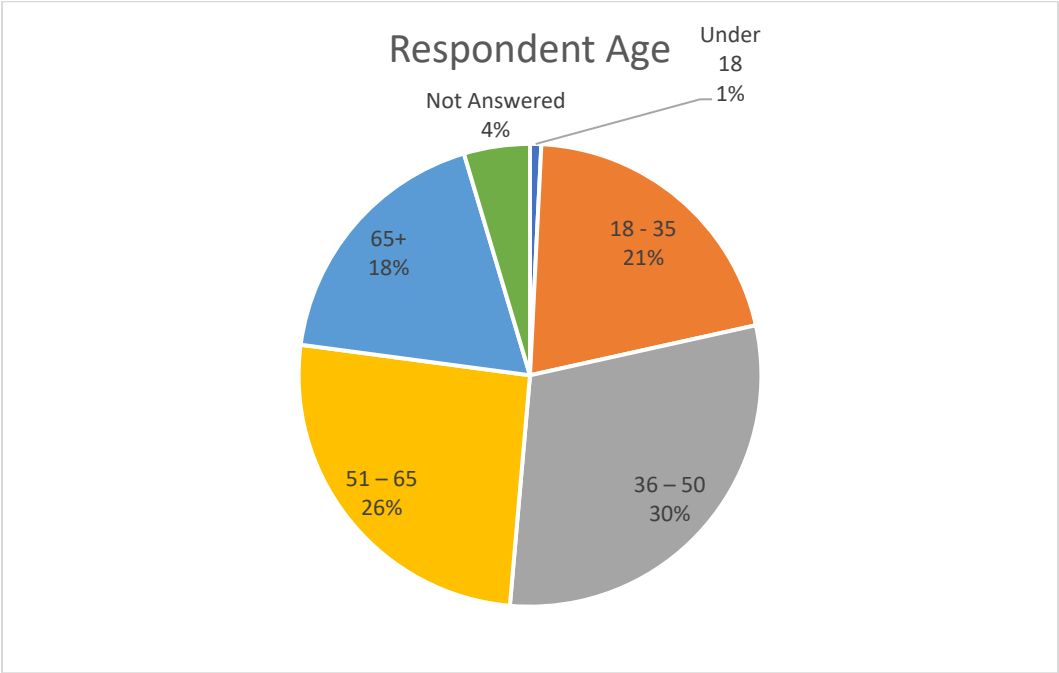
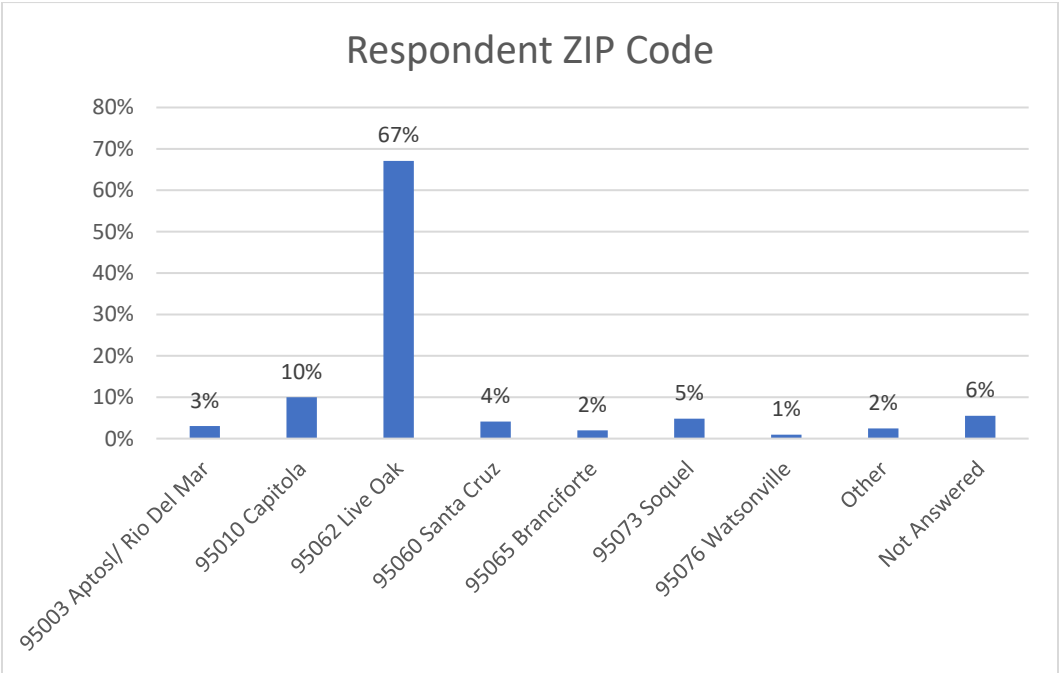
10. Would you like to see the temporary improvements made permanent?



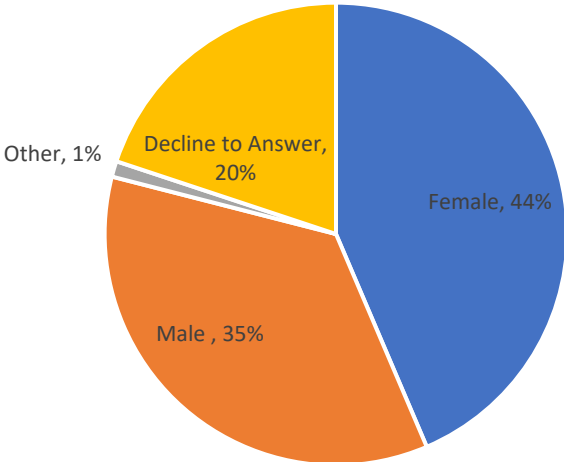
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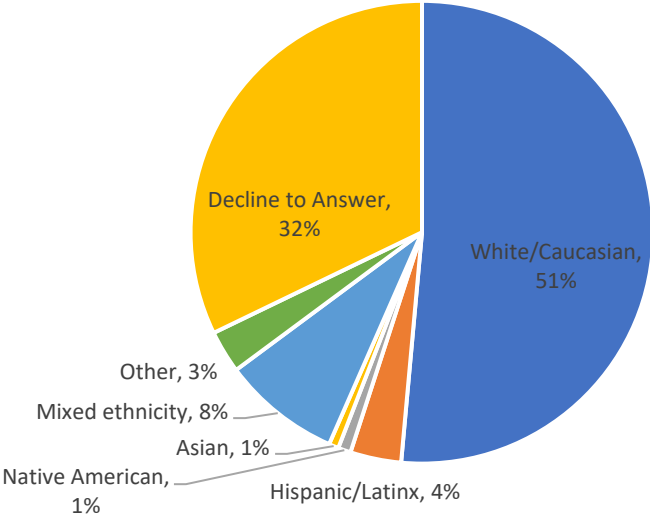
II. Survey Respondent Demographics



Respondent Gender



Respondent Race/Ethnicity



If the temporary changes were not easy to understand, what made them confusing? / Si contestó "No", ¿qué fue lo que las hizo confusas?

waste of tax payer dollars
Bike lanes are great! They should be ubiquitous and well-marked, but completely separate from pedestrian infrastructure and clearly exclusive of vehicle traffic, moving or parked, and with completely unobstructed access at any point along them. Separate bike trails could be even better, but the understandable need to share them with pedestrians reduces their value. An important consideration for cycling infrastructure is that bike traffic isn't all in the class of people on beach cruisers doing 3 to 6 mph, or even average bike commuters doing 10 to 15 mph. Bike-focused facility must take into consideration bike traffic moving at 20 mpg or more, and allow for easy entry & exit at all points along the lane or pathway.
non
jjkbb
I personally think they impede on the perception of the size of the bike lane and most importantly if there was an obstacle or debris in the bike lane the barrier now acts as a potential crash hazard for a bicycle snagging their handlebars or pedals. This would be especially problematic for older or younger inexperienced riders.
Not confusing just not good
Lots of new unnecessary lines. There was already plenty of space for biking. The real issue is that people speed for those 10 blocks and there's no protected turn lanes to get across Portola. Make turning safer and slow cars down by only having one lane in each direction and bikers and walkers will be safer
It's a nightmare for business owners to lose any parking near 41st Ave. 40th Ave. there's also nowhere for emergency vehicles to park where there's red lines on the sidewalk because of these biking hoops. Business is finally just starting to return and now this it just makes it so complicated our clients have been so upset for the last two days and you started your project before you said you were going to start your project it was supposed to start today and it started last week. As a Pleasure Point business owner we are very upset With the lack of communication around this project who approve this?
The strange structures are distracting
These changes have created a huge traffic jam and they are very unappealing to look at
The raised strips are an eye sore and too close to the outer lane. It doesn't seem to make it easier to drive with those.
N/a
The obstructions to traffic are too close to intersections. I hit one last night turning right on Portola, and I hit one today turning right on 38th ave. They are pushing vehicles out of traffic lane making too wide of a turn.
The left turn only at Portola and 38th is not clearly marked and cars are cutting each other off as they try to squeeze into the new single lane.
There is too much traffic in that area and it is already a bottle neck area and now it is worse and moving to 1 lane for 5 streets is not making it better
There are too many visual distractions, colors, paintings on the ground, weird white things, changes in the traffic lanes. Entirely too much going on, way too complicated, visually distracting. Unsure where to go, what to look at. Traffic is going to be a nightmare with lane changes and the center divide. Worst design and changes.
Complete cluster (insert swear word) which kindergarten traffic management school did the designer go to? Massive traffic problems coming up with road rage etc. I've never seen a bike accident in 9 years of living here (I live on 37th)
Purple? Weird white wave things? Was this a preschool art class? This is more distracting and dangerous than anything. And single lanes at Portola and 41st? Worst design and implementation imaginable.
Visually distracting and confusing
The traffic backed up on Portola Drive. This is an absolute mistake to create traffic on Portola Drive. It's already bad enough and there was already plenty of sidewalk for people to walk. Please stop this nonsense! I live in Pleasure Point and me and my neighbors hated this today!
The change seemed very unnecessary creating traffic that was not present before
Colors, cones, wavy things all seemed oddly put together and made it more challenging to figure out how to access businesses and make turns. Way more confusing than having bike lanes.
The merge is causing confusion and potential accidents. The purple area purpose is unknown and confusing.
Poor road markings, I can't turn down my street - 37th. The lane set up will cause massive traffic jams and more accidents
The purple paint was confusing & unnecessary.
Very confusing. Kindergarten art project gone wrong. Waste of money. Going to cause more accidents. Looks horrible. Whose bad idea was this? Please get rid of it.
The temporary paint doesn't meet the DOT or CALTrans requirements, it looks like a child did the installment. The wave dividers are an eye sore and would be interested if this was approved by the costal commission and parking within 1 mile of the coastline has been removed and that needs CC approval in California.
Signage and warning about the changes. The unbelievable lack of intelligence with shutting down a lane of traffic for vehicles that creates back-ups for blocks is something only a political idiot would do. You've created a traffic nightmare.
Pictures painted on pavement, weird bike lane "fences", traffic lanes ending. It's a ridiculous mess that doesn't help bikes but f***s up traffic. Change back NOW
They don't follow the flow of traffic, turning left on to Portola. The turn is abrupt and confusing. The addition of the suicide lane striping is also confusing. The addition of the gates can be distracting from watching for pedestrians using the crosswalk. It feels like Portola/41st needs a light.
Everything

<p>Weird white wavy things? Purple in cross walks? Confusing lane changes. What a disaster. Everything is more distracting to drivers and cyclists/pedestrians making the whole thing MORE dangerous for everyone than solving any problems. Not to mention causing traffic to back up, pushing cars and people into neighborhoods that are even less safe for everyone. What a nightmare.</p>
<p>Too many different obstacles and temporary stop signs and limited parking.</p>
<p>Where to begin? First, what are the weird white plastic things? They make it harder to see cyclists and pedestrians when turning. Too visually distracting and they block the flow of traffic. Purple? In what world does purple tell motorists and cyclists anything of value? Its a distracting art installation at best. As a cyclist I feel LESS SAFE because drivers are distracted by all of the installations, paint and unnecessary lane closures/changes. What an idiotic design and SO unsafe. I can't walk my dog in the neighborhood safely now because cars are driving fast on side streets to avoid the Portola cluster fuck you've created.</p>
<p>The installations along Portola make no sense. Purple colored painting on the pavement is not consistent with any other traffic designs and it is confusing. Pedestrians were walking in the middle of the roadway as they were confused about whether they were allowed to walk in the bicycle area. A bicyclist crashed into the vertical barrier trying to avoid two pedestrians with a stroller that we're trying to access the sidewalk. The traffic was backed up for a blocks Both directions on Portola and for a significant distance of 38th Ave. These changes have made a situation where motorists are unsure, and pedestrians and bicyclists are less visible. This is a recipe for disaster. Whoever came up with this idea needs to be downsized to the janitorial department. It's ridiculous. Neighbors are already organizing a protest against these changes.</p>
<p>Traffic nightmare and I felt very unsafe. I can see lots and lots of accidents occurring happening here which makes the walkers and bikers less safe as well as the drivers. Horrible idea there..</p>
<p>The Squeeze down at a 4 way stop sign to a single lane caused a long backup. In addition the expansion back to two lanes at 41st caused confusion with drivers coming out of business parking lots trying to cross over to the left turn lane on to 41st. This conflicted with drivers wanting to continue straight across 41st.</p>
<p>It is just a bad idea to bottleneck Portola coming from 41st Or going to 41st</p>
<p>I was just trying to get to work and didn't know what was happening I was stuck in traffic and late for work!!</p>
<p>There is so much going on with painting murals on the ground, signage, blockades. It's so busy & ugly that it is distracting to what you should be doing to begin with...driving and paying attention to your surroundings.</p>
<p>This idea is stupid</p>
<p>Too many distractions, traffic levels are terrible, which increases risk to drivers, pedestrians and cyclists. Much in the same way as East Cliff Drive.</p>
<p>The painted markers are very distracting and confusing, and are going to make everybody dislike this since no one knows what they mean. There will be a lot of negative feedback because they make no sense. Putting in real soft curbs will make sense and will fix the problem.</p>
<p>It's shit show out there</p>
<p>Looks like chaos</p>
<p>Increased auto traffic... It is hard to cross town .. this is a mess.. waste of time and money..... there are sidewalks and bike lanes present</p>
<p>No confusion but they created major traffic delays causing excessive exhaust fumes which is not good for pedestrians and cyclists</p>
<p>Gridlock now. That is a emergency vehicle road that has now become gridlock. Can't for the July 4th parking lot you created</p>
<p>This is project has a very negative effect on the neighborhood. Traffic is at an all time high! It was fine with they way the bike lanes where. Now they go near traffic and not as safe. Trucks, Semis, Trucks with trailers, can not turn with the new purple bulb outs - THEY WILL NOT BE ABLE TO MAKE THE TIGHT TURN. The street was great how it was. This is a complete mess!! Neighbors are not happy!!!</p>
<p>It was not clear that the lanes were now merging into one lane. Also, now there is traffic when before there was none. The middle turn lane is not needed. There is not significant amount of traffic turning onto 38th to warrant a loss of a lane. I like the bike lane improvements but the driving lane changes are not helpful - indeed they are less helpful and cause more problems. They look like a solution in search of a problem. We don't need a turn lane and more traffic. That is a bad idea. Please change that back.</p>
<p>Change in traffic patterns. Congestion made drivers irritable and subject to rash Poot driving</p>
<p>It is utter and complete Chaos. Nobody knows how to drive or maneuver. This is creating a huge traffic jam. Please remove this. It's awful.</p>
<p>Making the stop sign at 38th one lane is causing major traffic back ups for those not turning left onto 38th who want to continue going straight down Portola</p>
<p>It's confusing and seems like you're taking away from parking/traffic since you're taking away a lane.</p>
<p>Too much interference, confusing entry to businesses. I do NOT agree with gluing things in the roadway. Drivers are already frustrated enough in this area without making it 2x as crowded.</p>
<p>Thanks to the changes—the word “improvements” is inapplicable—traffic has become a congested mess!! What a bloody nightmare!! Instead of using scarce county funds to fix a real need, e.g. street pothole repair, we are now cursed with a one lane section on one of the busiest roads in the entire county!! Unless and until, bikes vastly outnumber motorized transport in Santa Cruz, these one lane modifications appropriately belong in the county's waste disposal site!!</p>
<p>Everything</p>
<p>Too much ch traffic congestion</p>
<p>Backed up traffic and created frustration for the delay traffic backed up from Portola to 41st can't get out of my parking just in general a bad idea</p>
<p>It's a mess. People switching lanes and causing traffic + cutting through parking lots to cut through, which is more dangerous to pedestrians - in my opinion.</p>
<p>Causes a two lane road to change to a one lane road without notifying locals. Causes way more traffic during an already large tourist season in our small town.</p>
<p>Reading and having to watch for more cars is distracting and dangerous</p>

Does the purple mean something different than the green?
Traffic nightmare
This is a dangerous and obnoxious change that makes driving more hazardous.
Too many lane changes. People who are not familiar will more than likely make a sudden lane change because they realize their lane is now a "right turn only" lane. I've lived on 30th my whole life and exiting off towards portola both left and right has become a nightmare with traffic now doubling it seems like.
Too noisy
N/a
Visually horrendous and distracting. Traffic is already bad now it's all a parking lot. What a terrible idea!!!!
Too many distractions...too many cars backed up...Seems dangerous
This made an instant traffic jam that makes it harder for walking, riding a bike, or driving! There is a lane that no one can use except for right turns
Different colors painted. Very confusing
The real test will be on a Friday with increased traffic, and Saturday & Sunday with the tourist. I think taking away a lane for cars will add to congestion. I do think the protective bike lane is a great idea, maybe make it similar to the Boardwalk protected lane or water street. The street parking I think is not necessary. I feel protected bike lanes are a great thing.
It was very busy and distracting with all the new lines and colors. One lane made it take much longer to navigate and the right only turning lanes were dangerous to pedestrians and bikes and confusing for drivers. We need both lanes. I like the idea of protecting bikers, but this didn't work and I felt it was more dangerous because drivers are confused and distracted. Not only that, having parking right next to a busy street, is not safe and it only added a few parking spots.
The stupid metal wave crap; another brilliant bicycle friendly idea not thought through
There were no bikes just traffic backed up for blocks. This is the poorest planning and idea. It is unbelievable. I came home in such a bad mood after having to sit in the traffic both directions after picking my children up from Capitola jr. guards. There is zero reason to have right turn lanes at 36th and 38th while traffic is backed up for blocks to accommodate that. I live in Pleasure Point and have for decades. This is terrible.
Stop signs
If anything they're bad for people who are walking and bicyclists because all the different colors and shapes were very distracting, and there was major traffic problems so I think that other drivers were dealing w the same thing. Cayous!
Too confusing
Extra traffic!
Turn at ever street, stopped traffic
Lanes merge at last second and unnecessary stop signs and turn only lanes
Bad design. Bike lanes are exactly the same size. Just less lanes to use.
Not intuitive, changes every other block
They are stupid & make driving more hazardous.
Very confusing
The road is cramped. The dedicated turn lanes are unnecessary.
Too much traffic
Random brightly colored street corners are distracting. Rails make the roads feel much more narrow. Right turn only lanes aren't necessary and make for annoying lane changes for locals living in east cliff
All of it. What a cluster fuxk. Too much random stuff to look at and be aware of. What a horrible design
A complete mess. Way to many cars backed up with traffic. Actually seemed more dangerous. All the different bumpers, colors etc was very confusing
In concept, this idea had good intentions. However, the road to hell is paved with good intentions and that's exactly where this installation belongs - in the trash. The corners look like they were painted by kindergartners. The traffic is unbearably sluggish with even more confusion-invoked delays than we already have at the 41st Ave and 38th Ave intersections. Originally, I actually thought this was a good idea on paper but is more dangerous to pedestrians, more destructive to local businesses visibility, and with a greater impact on traffic than we good even imagine.
It's a ridiculous situation that has caused more harm than good and I love to ride bikes and walk around there too, but I don't think it will help anybody. It's distracting and confusing and it creates traffic issues for the cars and also makes people angry
Different colored lines. At the stop sign where it used to be 2 lanes it is now 1 lane and a left turn, however on the other side of intersection it is 2 lanes.
Wavy metal posts are distracting as is the signage. Too much going on, cars are backed up, the whole thing seems to make traffic worse and could possibly cause accidents because there are so many people/cars/walkers at 4 way stops (and now an additional stop by Cat and Cloud.
It's all way too much going on and way more of a distraction then being helpful!! Drive it daily and bike it weekly!
It's more traffic and nonsense that is completely unnecessary!
Terrible idea horrible traffic
Too much merging,
So much suddenly comes upon you...i understand trying the concept but it's so different so fast and the metal waves on the side of the road almost in the lane seems very distracting almost like you could easily hit it...tok much going on too much cig...might cause an accident but ok for temporary...just less and slower so drivers can adjust...thx for the effort 26 yr local live oak
Because they don't make any sense and they are unnecessary since we are losing a traffic lane on each side and traffic will be impavcted !!
They are VERY distracting and create a hazardous drive! Unsafe for EVERYONE

The line work between the new added stop sign is super confusing. Also, the designated turn lanes are super confusing. For example, there's a designated turn lane that services a small residential area of maybe 100 people, forcing all traffic for a busy road into one lane. As a long term resident, I notice this has made traffic much worse.
Whoever is responsible for this is complete moron
Made traffic tremendously worse, which in turn, made it harder to walk and bike. Just make a bike path along the train tracks.
The lane turning into a turn lane causes people to barge into traffic at the last minute. People are already using the turn lane to pass backed up traffic..they don't turn, but cut into the left lane at the last minute and continue on.
It's just to compacted
Complete chaos due to no signage of what to expect at the stop sign, have to pay more attention to cars changing lanes and confusion with lane markings in the lead-up to the 4-way stops. This will be worsened on weekends due to tourist. Cars impatience cutting through parking lots to avoid the 4-way is distracting and dangerous to bikers and walkers.
The signs were not clear and easily visible.
The purple/pink color is very confusing and not at all easy to understand what purpose it serves. Also narrowing the road to one lane and making a separate right turn lane also seems to serve no purpose. There simply aren't many people turning right off Portola to warrant their own lane. And this right turn only lane also serves to increase the thru traffic on Portola.
Too much congestion to notice changes other than they have created a traffic nightmare.
We had no needs of the changes
Very quick merging of lanes without any signage at all
Since I did not experience any difficulty noticing pedestrian or bicycle in the first place. I saw no reason to implement this. If one drives the posted speed limit, pedestrian and bicycle traffic can be yielded to safely. Now there is so much going on with all the added visuals create too many distractions that were not previously there.
what is the benefit to pedestrians? there was a long back up at the stop signs. i will not patronize pleasure point businesses if i have to drive through this. the wavy barriers are really weird & visually offensive.
it was too overstimulating. too many things going on. suddenly you have to switch lanes abruptly to not be in a turn lane. it's definitely going to cause more accidents and more traffic.
The traffic was horrible and the dividers are awful looking. Makes it very congested and ugly
visually the road is so cluttered now its harder to understand the lanes
Too much stuff ! Do NOT need all this access I'm a bike rider and this causes too much disruption. Plus the design is awful and purple color is ridiculous. Not good on any level Please don't not keep
There should have been a display in the area describing the space. Something posted in the area so when we are in the space we can really picture what is happening. The first time I came across it I thought it was street art. I had to learn about it in nextdoor and if you are looking for positive feedback/observation then nextdoor should not be the place where we have to learn about the design.
2 lanes to 1 is unnecessary. Keep the bike lanes but the rest is a disaster. The lighted crosswalk was a great improvement. This project is making Portola worse for residents, businesses and cars.
Too many random visual objects that obstructs views of bikes and pedestrians
Dedicated left turn lanes at each block. Cars were confused creating unnecessary congestion as they had to merge back into the thru lane. The art work was a distraction.
This is seriously the lamest most useless waste of tax dollars I have ever seen. I've lived here my whole life. This will cause more traffic and confuse people. Which will put more pedestrians in danger. Who decides these absolute unnecessary measures
Traffic was horrible going into one lane. This made it WORSE for people and bicycles.
No signage explaining any of the new installs
There is too much going on. Having portola be a two-lane road is ridiculous.
It looks terrible and is creating way more traffic. The side bars are very constricting. It's absolutely the worst thing to happen to SC
Extremely confusing street painting and signage make it close to impossible to follow the suggested directions. The whole thing seems dangerous to all involved.
It's too much going on, can't concentrate on the road.
I had to merge lanes and was distracted by wavy lane dividers and colored crosswalks. It made me slow down more than ever to figure out what the hell was going on. If that's your goal consider it a success, but it's going to cause a lot more traffic in a town that already has too much
So much congestion adds to driving stress. No time to observe businesses or so called "improvements" while trying not to hit the car in front of me as traffic creeps along.
They didn't make it confusing.
Poorly done make no sense. The purple lines distracting.
Too many distractions. Painting, traffics - drivers are confused
It's absolutely ridiculous. I walk this route everyday with my dog, never had a problem until now it's a cluster fuck and looks like there's going to be a bike race. This is not what this area needs. What a waist of money! Change it back the way it was.
Everything. It's just poorly designed. It disrupts good safe traffic flow. The purple & pink paintings are awful and distracting.
It just backed up the traffic creating a backlog of irritated drivers trying to maneuver out of the area. It's a nightmare. That street has a big enough bike lane already if the cars didn't park on Portola, just painting them green and removing parking there would have been sufficient. I've been biking along Portola for years. This is overkill and just making motorists frustrated. It looks like it might also be sending motorists and traffic into the narrower residential streets to get around the area- now making biking on the avenues MUCH MORE DANGEROUS. I appreciate the idea but this was a big fail
Too many shapes and colors and turn lanes and non-turn lanes and bike lanes
Two lanes going down to one, and then the metal railings led to cars jammed together. Making a left turn into the suda/ junebugs gym parking lot is now impossible

Traffic is horrible and design is awful, turning is hard too.
Too many shapes/colors very busy and confusing and altogether visually difficult
Lot's of traffic congestion. Unable to reach businesses on the opposite side of road.
This is confusing and dangerous. It will only add to our already congested streets on weekends during tourist season. If we want to do something positive better bike marking in east Cliff is more appropriate.
Purple paint had no idea what that was. Weird white wave things were ugly and distracting. Missing lane caused way too much traffic headache.
It is chaotic and confusing. Traffic is completely backed up now. Just awful. I've lived on the point nearly 30 years. This is ugly and confusing and increases traffic.
Plastic barriers with signs about turning right? It's confusing especially while moving in a car and seems just broken.
the mess of lane changes that tourists won't understand
There are too many installations. It is distracting and causes more traffic. Most locals already bike when they can do this will not make people bike more.
The short design, The lack of space to try something like this.
where did the other lane go
Too many barriers
The lanes suddenly turn into right turn only lanes for streets that don't need them. People were jamming into those lanes to avoid the traffic back up and then having to cut back over. It's awful.
The changes to the lanes are not clear, and create bad traffic by making 2 lanes merge into one lane
Too many colors and distractions. Actually makes it more confusing and dangerous. Increases traffic which creates a stressful environment thereby making it more dangerous for bikers and pedestrians.
The merging of two lanes in such a short distance paired with islands, between cars pulling off the road into parking lots- while having to cross over the bike lane, in tangent with other vehicles pulling out of said parking lots, put me directly between to vehicles while riding my bike. I was almost hit because both drivers were unaware as they tried to merge traffic. Also runners using the bike lane to avoid pedestrians caused more hazards. The added stop signs added more traffic which cyclists are lost and less visible in. It's a mess and as a resident in the immediate area I feel this is a horrible idea. I feel more unsafe as a cyclist, pedestrian, and driver. This has made a problem more than a solution.
Created too much traffic which makes it unsafe for pedestrians and bicycles alike!
Difficult or impossible to turn left into businesses.
Visually confusing. Not sure where to walk or drive. Too much for a driver to process quickly. Ins and outs and parking where it is not expected creates confusion and the potential for accidents.
I'm very annoyed this is going to make traffic even worse... especially on weekends...
Unneeded merging, do not need dedicated lanes to turn. Example: right on 38th. This only causes more traffic backup. Too many distractions i.e. purple paint, white loop dividers, arrows & directions for "only" turns & merge. All of this in a very condensed area. AND there are no businesses that warrant this very unnecessary change.
Short transitions for vehicles. Protected bike lane dividers are difficult to see when moving. painted bulb outs and soft-hit posts make turn areas unclear.
It just build congestion for cars. Shutting down east cliff would be better.
Unfamiliar design lead to initial confusion.
Too narrow, not good signage for navigation soon enough of merging lanes, required turning lanes, everything very distracting
The street is narrowed and one way now, metal fence that could easily scrape my car, This is not safe and makes traffic congested and turning on 36th where I live very dangerous.
Not visible enough, especially the painted road areas
Just a mess and someone is going to get hurt. To much traffic to distracting! What a mess. Fix our roads
You created more busyness on the road causing it harder to see people. You also added a stupid merge and another stop sign causing so much traffic, making it now more impossible to bike. And more angry/in a hurry people on the road who are dangerous.
Not sure where to go more traffic
Too many things in a small space, traffic now confined to one lane. No plan to this mess.
They are forcing traffic into one lane and ruining portola
More traffic, more people running stop signs, more people being directed to 38th ave, cars were stuck in intersections, people we're forced down 36th ave. What a shit show
It is confusing to the vehicles, someone on bicycle will eventually be hit, bad idea!!!!
Adding left turn only lane. Hard to notice 36th Ave stop sign. Traffic was unpredictable
There is too much going on that takes focus off of the road. Changing the ways of the road made everything worse
They are very annoying and unnecessary.
The changes to the traffic and the lanes was confusing. I was not focused on any pedestrians or bicycles. I was only focused on afternoon traffic and not getting in a accident.
Way to much going on. First, traffic was more backed up when I drove. When I rode my bike later that day the bike lane got even smaller then before.
Signs are everywhere and new temp structures that made it harder to see bikers / people
They are so out of place and order. What in the world are the purple spotted lines doing and why did you make portola a 1 lane road. This new project has to be the worst project I have ever seen Santa Cruz construct. Put taxpayer dollars towards the homeless problem or something with higher stakes and meaning.
Whoever came up with this idea has no idea what they're doing. Traffic was extremely worse. This area was already bad but now is almost impossible to navigate smoothly.

You guys messed up the flow of traffic. Making the right lane at 38th and Portola a turn only lane is ridiculous. Traffic was backed up quite a bit with only one lane going through.
I had to switch lanes twice to go from 711 store past 41st. VERY Dangerous what had happened totally crazy. On foot, it was eorse
Painted curbs and raised crosswalks would help the major intersections.
The short warning of one line
Poorly designed. Traffic backups everywhere. Businesses negatively impacted
You are creating a bottle neck of traffic unnecessarily. I do not see this as a benefit to the cyclists who are already complaining about the additional exhaust they are breathing in, it doesn't make them safer and now traffic is worse in that area because everyone just sits in the one lane. I think if you want to improve safety for cyclists there are plenty of other areas to focus on. Take this hazard down
The white, round, barriers separating the street from walk/bike area was very distracting and added too much visual confusion as a driver. As a driver, pedestrian, and bicyclist, I prefer the bright green bike lanes in SC city and the low barrier in use near the boardwalk.
The green bike zones were disjointed and did not always connect to each other in a easily understandable manner. It felt like it needed to be widened in some areas or just kept in a generally same pathway. I think this is a great idea, I just want them more easy to navigate.
I prefer the green bike lanes over the white guardrails used.
Odd road paint and temp guardrails
The traffic is backed up and down to one lane, the bicyclist I saw was still riding in the car lane (a good deal faster than the cars could travel) while the bike lane remained open and unused. All of the white constraints are distracting and the big Orange barriers look terrible and the art work is confusing and also distracting. The worst thing is the traffic jam that is now Portia...I drive up and down Portola a minimum of two times every day and my husband rides his bike on Portola often....we also shop on Portola and frequent Suda and the coffee shops, and I found my drive a super annoying experience today when I had to deal with with all of the barriers and reduced lanes and the traffic jam caused by taking a lane away! It feels like a ridiculous waste of money and time...who in the world thought this up and who is it supposed to benefit? I also think the car parking spaces taking up the lost second lane are problematic and dangerous....I can't imagine opening the driver's side door and the back seat door to let passengers depart into oncoming traffic so close...it looks like a very careless and dangerous installation. I hope it is all removed soon. If it is not I think the effect will be that those of us regular Portola drivers will have to start taking East Cliff when we travel south and go up to Capitola Avenue when we travel north...a ridiculous waste of time for what has always been a very sane direct route on Portola.
It seems distracting and caused a car to nearly hit mine
More things to look out for than just bikes and walkers. Which already had a wider space than most other streets in the county. Plus dangerous white loopy things to possibly hit.
These elements are not standard or intuitive road identifiers for Drivers, Bicyclists, or Pedestrians. It looks like an art show and makes an already congested area even worst. Bad design all around! Whoever designed this does not live in the area, nor understand traffic planning.
Too many obstacles in the narrow area
It's a very dangerous system there is already a sidewalk and A bike lane why also make A traffic Jam. Improve the bike lane and keep the 4 lanes this is A major Artery. Maybe switch east cliff drive east to west the opposite direction to filter the traffic from 41st easing the traffic on portola and possibly avoiding the traffic jam you have created.
Spend time getting bicycles to stop at stop signs follow traffic rules like I have to on my motorcycle not sticking things to the ground and stupid purple stripes are on the corners but don't do anything
I find everything installed to be incredibly distracting to a driver. There delineators, the purple wavy sections on the curb, the abruptly ending lanes that must merge in too short a distance, the new parking spaces and addition of what feels like a million extra lines painted. It felt like a badly laid out circus. Not to mention, the traffic it creates on Portola is a nightmare. Makes this route extremely inefficient and I will avoid it at all costs, even though going around is also a pain.
The roads and sidewalks work perfectly. Get that crap out of there.
Everything. The lanes increase/decrease, all the painting on the road, what's that about? The lanes that are now only for turning. Long time local, drive Portola almost every day. This program has screwed it up bigtime.
Too much going on. Felt chaotic and distracting. What was already a fine road is now a nightmare and will definitely cause more accidents.
this is causing congestion on a street easily shared by bicyclists daily
Its a big mess and not a good idea. Very distracting and too close to the lane line.
Unnatural and irrational placement of parking and lane turns. Frustrating and distracting to the point of Dangerous. Portola already had side walks, parking, and bike lanes. This is unnecessary and UNSAFE.
It looks like art, not traffic and safety installation. Drivers don't know where to go, why it's changed, and the traffic is INSANE now. For what? I ride my bike here all the time and this is not necessary here. Leave it alone.
I ride my bike down pprtpla almost everyday. 38th from Portola to the Mall is the Street that is very unsafe for bikes. That is the street that needs your focus! Portola should be kept 4 lanes. Then highlite bike lanes. I've lived here in P.P. for 39 years.
All the purple and white paint is confusing and those wavy things are making it hard to navigate out of driveways and the traffic is worse with only one lane on each side.
I appreciate the artistic design from an arts perspective, but we're talking safety here. Please do away with the confusing painting and the ugly wavy dividers - looks so bad. Lines seem to be all on top of each other. This really feels like a quarter-assed undergrad urban planning student project.
The purple lines on the road didn't make sense. We weren't sure what they were there for. If the intent is to show this is a space to separate drivers from walkers/bikers then the lines should have been a color that is often used in traffic rules to denote "do not cross". yellow or white lines would make more sense whereas purple just confuses everyone and that can make the area unsafe.

If anything all the changing lanes and random parking spots made this more dangerous as a bicyclist and as a driver. I saw someone on bike almost get hit because cars are no longer paying any attention at all to anything but navigating the lanes and someone almost rear ended me because they changed lanes so quick to get out of a turn lane.
Stupid to change a perfectly working street to this configuration
Color was not defined as what was what, what is purple for? Too many big objects at the turns, the large orange barrel cones are in the way. Merging two lanes into one in such a short distance caused confusion and congestion.
everything from placement to style to color
One lane merge to two lanes. Backs up traffic. Very confusing.
No signage, the weird white pop up things are distracting, infuriating additional traffic
There are so many poles and structures it is almost impossible to exit a store driveway.
Too much happening in too short of distance
I thought it was road construction. It causes traffic to back up in both directions
merging lane on 38th is a bottle neck. taking away two lanes creates more traffic congestion on already busy street
Lanes merged to one suddenly and it was not intuitive at all.
It's a distraction and contributes to traffic issues.
The changing of direct lanes into turning lanes, the addition of the giant turning murals at the corners were distracting, the barriers were a hazard
You can not get into businesses easily. Plus it causes people to speed in pleasure point. Get rid of it you pieces of garbage.
For crying out loud, you take a main thoroughfare of four lanes, suddenly cram them into one or making the right lane a turn only lane, were you trying to cause an accident? Were you trying to cause a traffic jam? If you were, it worked. This is the most idiotic traffic revision I have seen in all my years in this area!
Everything! The turn lanes. The colors. The 'art'. WTF! It's like a circus! Distracting. Unproductive. Absolutely unnecessary. Don't fix what ain't broke
Terrible installation. Confused drivers and traffic make for a more hostile environment. Temporary structure are already falling over and creating hazards
Traffic is super congested now when there was no issue prior and no need to create a problem. There is an extra stop sign that isn't needed at Portola and 36, people keep blowing past this because it's NOT NECESSARY and a new distraction. The white windy installations and purple paint are very distracting and therefore dangerous when you are driving for motorists, bikes and pedestrians. What was two lanes each direction is now mandatory turn lanes and To take right turns now people swing very wide to avoid the white waves and purple paint and then almost swerve into the wrong lane. Traffic used to flow from 30th-41st along Portola, and now it's congested all day. What a waste of money, time, resources, and a way to further mess up traffic in a congested town in the one place where this wasn't actually an issue.
All the turning lanes of traffic were distracting and confusing. Another vehicle almost hit me at one point. It was very distressing.
What is purple for? Have you observed and measured the backups on Portola and 41st this has created? I observed more aggression and confusion because of the changes and the backups caused.
There are wide sidewalks on both sides of the street for pedestrians and there are bike lanes for the beach. Why don't you fix 26th Avenue between Portola and East Cliff, no side walk on either side and has many pedestrians going to the beach all summer. Wasting OUR MONEY!
It was distracting. Also, the bottleneck made the traffic very slow.
Lame doubling of traffic on a main thoroughfare. And pinching it into 1 lane. All the plastic barriers are a hindrance to flow and a potential to trip and harm vehicles and people.
What the heck is going on. FIX THE POTHOLE.
The white stanchions are distracting. More time is spent trying to figure out where you're supposed to drive rather than looking out for distractions on the road such as bicycles and people walking. Not to mention they look ridiculous.
Traffic was completely backed up. It wasn't clear what all the changes were for. Turn lanes were confusing and NOT necessary
First of all, the car traffic in rush hour and during the day is immensely bigger than cyclists and walking people. There is a sidewalk and I always rode my bicycle on the road. I live on 38th ave half block from portola, and what we need is a stop light for crossing the road, because impatient drivers on the rush hour. Also some speed bumps or stop signs between the mobile home parks (Bay Park and Castle MH park) to slow down the speedster on 38th ave.
It was frustrating to drive around the area as there was an entire lane for turning that was completely unnecessary and the new bike lane made driving the road tight. At rush hour it became very trafficked and was difficult to get through.
I did not like that we had to go to one lane because of it that doesn't seem necessary at all
No signs, just sudden conversion from 2 lanes to 1. Unclear where exactly it is safe to make a right turn onto a street or into a business.
The Portola Installation is a nightmare! It's hard to know what is even happening. The space and corridor is so small and tight as it is abs adding in paint on the sidewalks and weird waves for bicycle lanes is super confusing and makes it even harder to drive.
nothing. They are awesome.
So much traffic congestion it takes all your attention. I feel sorry for the businesses.
Purple painted areas at street corners are confusing and distracting. All paint is faint and not of usual road marking standards, making it difficult to see and determine traffic flow. Left and right turn only lanes need additional signage other than hard to see paint on the roadway. The 3way stop signs at 36th are welcome but need additional and improved marking on the roadway.
The bike lane and intersection is very helpful and in my opinion very much needed. However the car lane change is not good in my opinion. I think the single lane will cause confusion and quick lane changes which isn't safe for cars, walkers or bikers. Yes in conclusion I vote to keep bike lane and intersection changes but keep the traffic lanes the way they were (two lanes).

On portala there is way too much going on visually. It's really confusing. It looks like some strange elementary school art project. There are purple swirls and weird wave things. It's so confusing. Also, the lanes keep switching around. I understand taking the street down to 2 lanes, but the stop sign at 41st can't remain 4 lanes and then immediately create a bottle neck. This whole thing seems poorly designed. All of the Art elements distract drivers and will lead to accidents.
Too busy...too many different things going on at once. Very distracting and complicated looking. The purple painted part was strange and cheap. PORTOLA DR should stay open to through traffic. The condensing into one lane made it impossible to get through.
The ridiculous purple painted streets were confusing, the wave dividers were unsightly and dangerous, and the entire street of Portola was back up with traffic during rush hour. What a horrible idea to take a lane away in town that already has so many traffic issues!
Added traffic. Cars running stop signs, cars merging lanes in the middle of the intersection because the confusing, pointless signs.
White waves on the road weird
This is dangerous and backs up traffic
I never in my life have seen this type of road change with odd colors, snarled traffic and weird plastic snake things. It's so busy you spend more time trying to figure it out then paying attention to traffic or bikes or pedestrians! Very poor design
Nothing was confusing, it was quite straightforward
Why are the barriers not consistent? Why is there purple painted on the street? Where are the signs about turning lanes? Why are there now turning lanes? Horrible!!
THIS IS RIDICULOUS AND OUTRAGEOUS! JUST PUT A STOP SIGN AT 26TH AND PORTOLA AND TAKE OUT THOSE STUPID BIKE LANES!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
Lanes merge and diverge rapidly and repeatedly. Drivers turning onto portala directly into the oncoming traffic, and there is now no room to go around or merge safely. Bicyclists don't observe lane markings or stop signs, and because of the greater amount of obstructing pylons, are forced into vehicular traffic more often. The new stop sign crosswalk is poorly placed and dangerous.
I haven't seen anyone walking or biking in those lanes.
There is too much going on.
It a mess out there. Traffic cars not really knowing where to park. Not enough info about the lanes. Turning going straight. Not feeling safe
Dropping the stretch of road to one lane was a terrible idea. Turning off 41st onto Portola, the jig around the corner is awkward at best. The loopy things separating the bike lane are really tacky. The whole thing is lame. Take it down and put it back the way it was.
There is too much "stuff" it made it very distracting. The striping, the poles, the paint, the plastic "waves".
Both in car and bike it made me feel completely anxious. I was in fear of either a bike or car not sure how to navigate. What is truly needed is stop lights w/crosswalk light.
It is very 'busy' with all the dangerous metal wave structures that will be extremely distracting to a driver and are dangerous to pedestrians and bike riders. Imagine being on the path and you cannot get out of the way of someone speeding down the path on a electric bike due to the metal wave structures causing you to not be able to move out of path and you are hit and thrown onto the metal structures causing you to have a severe head trauma, a small child on life support due to the dangerous 'wave' design being struck when their little head hits this low dangerous hideous design. JUST KEEP IT SIMPLE! Wider bike path with no dangerous over-designed features, Why do we have to all this "NOISE" design concept? Very distracting as a driver and the one lane is confusing! Imagine all the out-of-towners going to their favorite destinations: ONeils for a sweatshirt purchase, Renting a surfboard at the corner of 41st/Portola, getting PleasurePoint Pizza, the traffic is going to be a nightmare and backedup all the way to 17th! If your going to have ONE LANE dear god please put in a real stoplight the stop and go was bad enough before this hideous design and now with the additional stop sign its going to be hell. AND WHY wasn't this project publicly announced via a postcard like all the postcards we get when our neighbors pull out a permit when they put a new window in their house? My tax dollars are EXPENSIVE in this county and I want a POST CARD EVERYTIME YOU WANT TO SPEND MY HARD EARNED DOLLARS! Please remove this stupid project and let us go back to a two lane each way road with flashing lights on the walkways for pedestrians and electric bikes should be using the car lanes since they go over 30mph, I don't want to be in a bike lane with my little child on training wheels getting hit by the idiots that ride these electric bikes at top speed. Please in the future hire a DESIGN TEAM that has UX team members who do their homework before launching the project!
It's the worse design I've ever seen. So so stupid to make the right turn only. You are creating so much extra traffic. This is horrible
There no need for one lane on portla
Traffic
The whole layout is confusing
Been driving the road for years and it seems that others with me were confused by the change. Was in the right lane and it was like turn right. And I was thinking hahah no I'm going straight that sign is tripping
It will cause way to much traffic at Portola and 41st. Why not spend the money on roads where bike paths and sidewalks do not already exist?
Visually distracting, looks like a middle school art project
the middle lane is being used to pass other car as I have seen. I see more car congestion all day long now and have witnessed an increase of bad behavior on be have of the traffic/drivers.
Too many distractions frustrating to drive
Nothing is clear about it
No one in this town wants to take their bike to go surf they take their car or they walk. It's like this big conglomerate of new space but it leads to the tiny Surf spot in town that hardly anyone surf's at except for the richest most elite and no one's going to leave their bike there because bikes gets stolen in this town all the time. It was fine the way it was before when you're walking one block or two blocks with a surfboard everybody can see you because the surfboard is huge. Just put it back the way it was before this is making everything confusing that's just not necessary. Another thing is all the business is over there are having a harder time getting customers with this because now people who drive or out of all that parking people just want to avoid that area when you do this
The whole concept is distracting to drivers

Everything mostly the turn lanes made for mass confusion and mire traffic
Line of sight problems seeing pedestrians, cyclists and driveway entrances.
Too much going on made it horribly confusing. It's a driving street, Not a pedestrian/cycle esplanade
Chaotic
It was confusing because the treatments weren't like anything I'd experienced before. Especially all the people and Grey colors on the road. I didn't know what to make of them!
The only mail box in the area is blocked for drive up street usage. I'm mobility handicapped and can not navigate from the parking lot side. Do you know how many mailboxes are in the area?
Too much peripheral distraction
Engineering and design failure. It's chaos and Distracting. Live where you design ! And ride a bike! Before you implement these "treatments". YOU made drivers hate bikers even more!
it is new so this will improve with time, the change makes SOME slowdown. You will always have that 20% who drive selfishly and recklessly easy to understand
Visually very busy and distracting
the reduction of the driving lane moving south on Portola with the right lane reserved for right turns at the corner of and 38th is not helpful. The lane on the right should remain non-only right turn until right before 41st.
Too cluttered lanes going to one then changing and turning left is confusing...it's a MESS
There are way too many obstacles, painted asphalt, colors, dividers, and cars pausing to get into turn lanes. It has become terribly congested with too much to look at. I feel as if I'm much MORE likely to hit a pedestrian or bicyclist. Terrible idea and implementation!
It's a cluttered jumbled mess
Too much visual stimulation. Makes seeing actual people and moving objects harder to process. Like posting too Many signs makes it harder to process. Don't like the stop sign at 36th. Blinking cross walk would suffice
A definite no on this idea. There is already enough obstructions in the right-of-way for pedestrians, bicyclist and motorized vehicles to hit, while also hitting each other.
Not applicable
I thought I said they weren't confusing
N/A
There is more traffic. More condensed harder to see. The designs are way too busy which also makes the visibility hard.
Bottleneck, loss of lanes, turn lanes, wild paint distracting drivers. Road Rage
Traffic created a huge problem, also the design doesn't make sense at all. Poorly designed. They should have just made a bike path instead of taking away a whole lane
There are a million different things going on. Lanes merging, bike lanes, people walking, stop signs parking spots, orange barrels, signs, turn lanes, paint on the ground. It's an absolute mess and makes no sense at all. It's way more dangerous trying to figure merging reading signs stoping and also being aware of pedestrians. There's even a sign telling cars about the turn lane that blocks the bike path so bikes have to go into the road to get around it.
There are too many driveways on either side of the road for there to be a middle lane with arrows that accommodate every single driveway. If this continues, cars coming from opposite directions will enter the middle turning lane in order to access driveways that are past the car facing them. It's an excessive, problem-causing solution that can be solved simply by turn signals and cars slowing down behind those who want to enter a driveway. By having a middle turning lane, it will unfortunately increase the speed of through traffic on Portola as well. If the city is looking for a safe bike path, Use the train tracks. Don't create more congestion on the streets.
Those dumbass wavy things aren't going to protect a biker from a car. They're plastic. Added stop signs and 1 lane roads have FUCKED the traffic situation that was already getting worse the past few years. Keep it two lanes it was fine how it was.
Everything about this pop up is bad. Cars will hit the white dividers when parallel parking. I don't like it at driveways because I can't swing out into the road if someone is coming out of a driveway and doesn't see me. Traffic is backed from 41st past 36th Ave. in both directions at 1:00pm on a Friday.
What does purple mean??? Why are their orange barrels everywhere? It's all incredibly distracting and makes it more dangerous!
It's a zoo! It's distracting and ugly and confusing. It needs to go away! You've ruined the street.
All of it
Turning right off Portola and turning onto portola was difficult
Cause more traffic and uprising of aggravated drivers and therefore will lead to more road road and careless driving.
It is probably trickier to turn right at those sections since the divider creates more space and you have to look around the divider for people
2 to 1 lane causes congestion. Turn lanes on Portola are not necessary as the bulk of the traffic moves through to 41st.
Everything!
They seemed to be a bit more distracting instead of informative. I spent the time figuring out what they meant (purple space on the ground, etc) instead of paying attention the people around me. I was a bit distracted trying to interpret the artistic signs.
Its cluttered and confusing. It backs up traffic because there is one less lane and I had to focus more on the car in front of me, cars turning in front of me. I had lost track of any pedestrians or bikers. This is stupid and dangerous.
To many objects, colors, detours, confusing
Improve lane striping, more signs.
Poor directions, confusing paint on road
It was a traffic nightmare - people weaving in and out of lanes because of lanes going to one lane yet traffic backed up in both directions early afternoon. Horrible!!

Causing traffic congestion/back up. This particular area has only occasional pedestrian or bicyclist use. It's more important to have two lanes both directions to handle the vehicular traffic flow. Pedestrians and bicyclists are on ECliff. No need on Portola. This section of the road doesn't really go anywhere. I live on Portola and walk and ride my bike daily. Nothing of interest on Portola. Just use ECliff.
One lane instead of two is bogging down Portola. This road is wide enough for all (car, bikes, pedestrians) as it normally is. I've not experienced a problem. Neither has any member of my family. All this extra stuff now is a hazard and obstructions to traveling smoothly on Portola. Not a fan.
Quick forced lane changes, backed up traffic at intersections, visually complicated.
The large orange cones seemed to be blocking entrances of parking lots. The shift from two lanes to one on the Portola/ 41st creates confusion and may cause accidents. The traffic has increased significantly, even when construction workers are not actively working. I like the idea but I believe it was implemented in the wrong location. This sort of construction would be helpful for Pacific Ave where there are far more pedestrians/ cyclists that need to be protected from vehicles.
Omg, so confusing. This is way more dangerous
Reducing two lanes to one. People switching lanes trying to "cut" the line. People suddenly deciding to turn in order to bypass traffic on Portola.
Everything
Bad layout
It causes more traffic by making mandatory turn lanes which ultimately reduces lanes for traffic.
Painting bike lanes green for visibility is a good idea, but this is a disaster for everyone using Portola. The stop signs at 36th? Eliminating a traffic lane? The ridiculously confusing bike barriers, the whole thing's a giant mess. Portola has issues when entering from 30th and 36th, but it's neither a bike nor traffic hazard area compared to a multitude of other locations. And this "solution" just took a mild problem and created a nightmare for motorists, and therefore everyone else. If a licensed traffic engineer had anything to do with this design, someone should check their credentials.
Did a 6th grader put them. in? These need to go.
The insane amount of traffic heightened by the stupid one way installation is worse then installing a sign that could say look both ways or something like that to remind dumb people their are distracted drivers.
Too hectic even without people around. Isn't aesthetically pleasing at all.
Horrible design, completely confusing. The traffic caused is amazing.
Poor street marking, confused bicyclists and motorists.
Everything. Traffic backed up, having to turn in one lane, no room for larger vehicles to turn onto 36th without crossing lane and almost hitting oncoming cars. Giant orange cones are a huge inconvenience and dangerous. Purple drawings, cones and waves are distracting, ugly and dangerous for all.
There are far too many turn lanes, which are completely unnecessary. 90% of drivers go straight through to 41st so this backs up traffic. There is not enough time to get over either, so its actually very dangerous. The parking on the street is unnecessary and makes it very difficult to navigate.
Very unprofessionally constructed.
Constant lane switching makes it harder to see pedestrians
Caused far more traffic and backups with the introduction of a turn only lane.
There are so many different colors on the road that is confusing... what does the purple mean? The parking on right lane is so confusing and unclear and parallel parking creates even more traffic in the now only one lane. The right turn only lanes were not marked clearly so people would try to go in the right lane because it was much shorter but then would realize it was turn only and then would try to merge back into the left lane creating even more traffic.
Too much going on. I found them distracting and harder to see pedestrians and cyclist.
Nothing
All of it. All unnecessary
The matchbox car race track installment and the merge from 2 useful lanes to 1 unnecessary lane.
There is so much going on, traffic is now soooo backed up, people are so frustrated and actually going around it to make it MORE dangerous!!!
Way to much going on
Striping is inadequate and hard to see.
Portola is in an unincorporated area of the county! It's in need of new sidewalks, signs, paint and crosswalks. Putting other obstacles in that area without having the basic needs already being met makes it more confusing, junky and harder to navigate! It was a terrible idea!
Wierd lane changes
The painted areas are confusing. The color is unusual, so doesn't signify anything to me. Looked like street art of some kind. The barriers were strange and actually seem to pose a danger in my opinion.
No commu
People seem to be terrified of change, PLEASE give it at least 4 months before removing!
Turn lanes and quick turn over
It is very chaotic and distracting to an otherwise very straight road with excellent visibility that already includes full length sidewalks on both sides with large bike lanes as well.
Lanes marked with arrows were not clear whether they were only for turn lanes
Eye sore

<p>There is WAY too much going on. It's confusing to the eye, driver, bicyclist and walker. The purple and pink "curbs" with giant orange station do not allow enough room to turn a corner of another car is at the stop sign. Making parking spaces in front of Suda, which has a parking lot all to take a lane of traffic is crazy. This is by far the biggest mess I've ever seen. I grew up in pleasure point and live here now raising my own children. It wasn't hard to navigate portola as a child and my kids say it still isn't. They won't go near it now, they say it's too crazy with concussed and irritated drivers. Make this mess go away!!!</p>
<p>Total traffic bottleneck</p>
<p>It was a mess of traffic and too many barricades.</p>
<p>Literally makes no sense how some lanes go from 2 to 1 then back to 2 lanes. Turn lanes are unnecessary at stop signs, please take this down fast.</p>
<p>The switching of lanes and narrowing of the street</p>
<p>Lane changes complicated navigation and I then began to avoid the popup</p>
<p>Reduced lanes in the only wide road in town. No clear signage and too much going on</p>
<p>The Portola Dr. thoroughfare needs 2 lanes. Short right turn only lane for each avenue is ridiculous. Center lane for left turn is problematic.</p>
<p>Dedicated turn lane is confusing & there is not enough dedicated left turn traffic to warrant a dedicated lane. The extra stop signs & removal of a second lane increase between Capitola & live oak.</p>
<p>This is the worst idea I've experienced. I live in this neighborhood and both bike and drive and this is so dangerous and extremely negative please take it down</p>
<p>All the drawing on the street all the cones everywhere the bike lane obstruction is confusing just to look at your more worried your going to hit something it totally takes your attention away from looking for pedestrians</p>
<p>There is literally so much going on and so much to avoid as a driver that persons or bicyclists are not what you're thinking about. I experienced it both at night and during the day. At night it's extremely hard to navigate/see. During the day there's just way too much stimulus. Additionally, in two days time I already noticed some of the metal posts were struck by drivers. I think it creates a less safe environment. I'm all for creating a different kind of shared road space, but it cannot and should not stay how it is now if safety is your objective.</p>
<p>Too much distraction.</p>
<p>Hard to differentiate turn lanes and parking spaces</p>
<p>Too cramped.</p>
<p>well we know this is an experiment for only a month but from I have seen, we are trying to do too much in one section, meaning reducing lanes will cause issues, only making sure the pedestrian or bike rider's needs are taking care of. Many of us can no longer walk and bike ride and are wheelchairs or barely and have to use cars. I like very much separating bikes from the cars and the little stands you have is a great idea, that should save some time. I don't know what the painted cement means and please don't reduce lanes, it's dangerous and makes people late and frustrated. I am encouraging people to give this a try and to take the survey.</p>
<p>In and out of turn lanes. Lanes now only for turning. Too many cars lined up. The gusts rails and purple paint is confusing.</p>
<p>Placement of temporary bike lanes was inconsistent with standard bike lane markings. The physical barriers between bike lane and car lane created pinch points in places, reducing bike lane width. Markings for driveways were confusing.</p>
<p>It's all around confusing that they would consider and implement such an absurd use of a busy roadway in our beloved town.</p>
<p>Too much fucking traffic. I'm confused how the fuck to get out of it. Where can I turn?? Walkers should already be walking on the sidewalk. This is an absurd use of a busy road way in an already congested area.</p>
<p>2 into 1 lanes? Why are you making traffic? That's all it is doing. Insane.</p>
<p>The painting on the street was SAD. 3rd grade painting. Taking my eyes off the road to try to figure out what it was is just NOT acceptable. Green painted bike lane would be much better. The white wave-like barriers were awful. Give us back 2 lanes in each direction. Your plan needs input from cycling people. This truly stinks!</p>
<p>I don't understand why there is only one lane in each direction now. It made driving confusing and I typically drive on this street but I am inclined to do that anymore, if possible. Traffic was awful in both directions. I also worry about an emergency vehicle being able to safely reach their destination if they're using Portola.</p>
<p>Cars parked in the middle of the road. Random turn lanes. Worst design ever</p>
<p>What do I do when there's an ambulance coming? Drive over the raised dividers? I don't understand the markings and which lane is which.</p>
<p>Like driving in a circus</p>
<p>The white bars on side and purple paint on corners is extremely distracting. As I was driving I was looking at it trying to figure out what it all was. I've lived off of Portola and 36th avenue for over 21 years. The back up of traffic is the worst I've ever seen.</p>
<p>Painted curbs</p>
<p>It wasn't clear that some of the barrels were denoting parking that has moved into the right lane. I don't understand what the purple and white designs are supposed to denote at the corners.</p>
<p>Making a four-lane busy road a 2 Lane Rd. I don't believe that's a good idea. Although I do love the stop sign at 36th and Portola. Lived on 36th Ave. for 53 years, in the past five years I can't even pull out off 36th Ave. I have to go to 38th Ave. to use the sub sign.</p>
<p>The right or left turn lanes with the merge after the stop signs we very confusing. Plus the left turn only and right turn only will be a big issue for people not from here as that is hard to navigate and then the people will have to merge back into the lane that is for going straight only. Hard to turn right onto the road with a bike there. This seems more unsafe after I rode it on my bike then before. I ride this 3-4 times a week to go to the gym.</p>
<p>Looks like trash</p>
<p>The traffic and back up were horrible. People coming from Capitola driving west on Opal Cliffs to Portola couldn't get across 41st Ave. because the traffic was stopped at the stop sign on 38th. If the pattern is changing, a stop light needs to be at that intersection.</p>

There was too much going on. It seems a majority of bike and foot traffic use East Cliff Drive. This seems like an unnecessary traffic problem for those who have to drive (like when going to work/school).
I'm confused as to why I had to sit in traffic for an extra 10 min
Too much traffic, need two lanes each direction.
N/A
Paint color on ground and wavy things very distracting. Not a positive change
The purple spaces that apparently keep cars from using space near curb and force car into one narrow lane are confusing.
To many cars backed up. Pls turn it back to the way it was
Too busy and distracting
Purple drawings on the ground and a very short merge to one lane make it feel like an accident waiting to happen. Please remove from Portola Drive asap there was traffic backed up a very long way on 41st due to this.
Stop
While driving there are too many distractions to quickly process while still remaining visually engaged with surrounding cars/people/signage. Although I am on Nextdoor I had no preparation for these changes, explanation or the significant impact it would have on the amount of traffic on Portola.
Chaos and useless structures in the way. Just plain old stupidity of design.
Purple areas were too big, hard to make turns.
We can't have only one lane on Portola. In case I don't have a place to comment later, it took almost 20 minutes to get to and cross 41st. I'm an already congested area, drivers get to insanity mode
I found this whole installment extremely distracting and distasteful and downright ugly. Whomever came up with this design... find a new line of work, because you suck! Removing a lane for bicycles, are you kidding me? The stop sign at 36th and Portola has been needed and should remain. The high volume of traffic at this intersection makes for safer driving. The entire rest of this project makes me want to throw up.
Not a standard configuration for this area.
The constant traffic jam on Portola as a result of this change is infuriating. The previous configuration of two lanes allowed you to bypass the left turn at Portola to 41st if you were to continue down Portola towards Capitola. I have now witness 2 near collisions at this intersection as a result of the changes. The corner barriers make turning onto Portola a ridiculously cumbersome task. The right turn only lanes are a waste of a perfectly usable lane to allow for better traffic flow down Portola. I now have to avoid using this area because of the constant traffic jam. This experiment is turning our already safe neighborhood into a cluster f**k of traffic and confusion. It needs to go immediately
Hard to tell
There is way too much going on. Bike lane boundaries, paintings on the road way, new stop signs, lanes ending, new left hand turn lanes.
Too many lines, colors and cones
Backed up so much traffic and made it hard to tell if you can turn left into businesses along that route. Also watched a truck hit and break one of the barriers
It felt like I was driving through the fun house at the boardwalk
too narrow; too many lines and markings; not necessary---few peds and bikers. I drive this EVERY day and never noticed any biker or ped problem as it was!!!!
They are in the way of all users. Portals is fine the way it was. Please experiment somewhere else.
The way the lanes are done are confusing and the new stop sign is not visible. The now makes 3 stop signs with in 3 blocks that are high travel areas and the congestion this creates is horrible
TOO MUCH BUSY STUFF TO LOOK AT, RIGHT HAND TURN POCKETS ARE BEING USED AS PASSING LANES. WE ALREADY HAVE A BAD BACK UP PROBLEM GOING INTO THE VILLAGE NOW TRAFFIC ON PORTOLA. IF YOU WANT TO DO SOMETHING FIX THE FREAKING FREEWAY!!
Paint is distracting
There was literally no bike traffic or foot traffic just extreme congestion, this is a terrible idea
The changes have caused chaos. The traffic is backed up from Portola, south of 41st Ave and drivers are confused. It's more of a distraction than anything. Please remove the left turn only onto 38th Ave, it's ridiculous! The only benefit I've experienced from this mess as a driver/Walker/biker (I live on Gladys Ave, off 41st) is the long-needed stop sign @ 36th Ave. Last night, as drivers crawled along Portola, all I heard was how "stupid" the changes were. It's actually more of a safety concern than ever before. Jenna
None of this makes sense
Too many changes, restricted lanes and merging
It's a confusing mess.
These unnecessary additions made something that had been simple and easy to navigate into a confusing and chaotic mess... AND that made the traffic on the street slower and more burdensome.
Too many lines and swirls. Distracting. Causes way too much traffic.
This concept is horrible. Getting from 30th to 41st now takes a half hour. This street already had bike lanes that were very suitable that I used on a regular basis. When driving through portola I was not given a pamphlet from a city worker, although I did see the pamphlet only given to bicyclists. Instead of focusing our time as a city on the real problems we have why would we waste our time and energy on this???
The installments were very distracting along with the purple paint on off the sidewalk. The cause of concern is how difficult the traffic will become and quickly build up with two lanes being reduced to one.
Why is the ground painted purple? That's a distraction in itself, as well as the new plastic barriers. It doesn't make sense to make a busy road like portola drive a one lane, sure putting a turn lane only MIGHT help stop the slow of traffic in that lane but now we have to deal with one more stop sign and there are too many people for one lane to be efficient. I hate it

Takes away from noticing other cars
N/A
Stupidly planned with horrible results Wake up Santa Cruz and pull your head out of your neighbors ass
The left turn only lanes. Saw people in them only to go straight.
This is a mess. Portola is super congested and the traffic is so bad that I feel safer avoiding it all together on foot and bike. It is great to pilot this initiative but only a week in, it is pretty obvious this isn't going to work.
Honestly, the whole thing is unneeded and unwanted
Everything
It's a mess
What is confusing is that someone looked (probably by google earth) at this area in the first place and decided to lay their template for safe streets over it - an area that was not dangerous to walk and bike in, and one in which has heavy tourist and commuter traffic. The prescription for heavy concrete bulb outs and the Disney-esque bike lane 'protectors' are ugly and unnecessary. This is not the Westside of Santa Cruz nor is it Southern California. I ride Portola from Opal cliff to Santa Cruz city daily and you are imagining the safety concerns you are proposing to 'fix.' It's a waste of money.
The traffic was horrible single lane on a very busy street makes no sense not sure who planned this but it doesn't make sense. There is a bike lane so we always saw people on bicycles. It doesn't help shop keepers and not that many people turning on those side streets terrible planning
The lane reductions, divided bike lane, orange cones, and ridiculous purple crosswalk/paint all serve to disorient drivers and reduce visibility of pedestrians and cyclists. This is causing massive traffic backups on Portola, and an increase in speeding vehicle traffic on our quiet neighborhood streets. REMOVE THIS INSTALLATION - WE DIDN'T ASK FOR IT, WE DON'T LIKE IT, AND ITS DANGEROUS!!!! Portola Dr was perfectly fine the way it was - the only improvement is the stop sign at 36th/Portola.
Weren't confusing.
The roads we're far too congested and people we're confused by the stop signs
Too much congestion of vehicle traffic. It feels more unsafe due to the amount of cars funneled into one lane. Roads were safer for traffic and pedestrians before the lanes were installed. Use this money to convert the train tracks to safe biking pathway.
Now that you've made it all one lane strait traffic is backed up for blocks making drivers frustrated and the really bad drivers now speed by and try to dangerously merge back into the strait lanes, meanwhile the turning lanes go nearly unused in comparison. It worked perfectly the way it was with two strait lanes, and I as a local who's biked and walked around this area my whole life never thought there was a problem with that stretch of road until you all messed it up. It's more dangerous for drivers, cyclists, and pedestrians alike, plus you're creating a back up of traffic (I can hear the honking from my house right now) and it's very negatively effecting the local businesses right there as well. Change it back NOW please and thank you. P.S. fire whoever designed this crap
Signage, random multi modal cross traffic, driving courtesy and confusion, peak hour traffic
Left turn lane, where to pull into businesses, awkward merging, awkward parking
The temporary improvements are in conflict with normal things to pay attention to while driving. They are in fact confusing and DISTRACTING.
Everything about it is bad bad for cars bad for bikes bad for peds bad for the store's looks like shit wast of tax dollars stupid
There's too many distractions.
The painted "curbs" and barriers are a huge distraction and when turning right onto Portola from 41st in a vehicle, there are several super confusing lane expansions & constrictions in too short of a distance. It is confusing and unsafe for both bikes and cars.
Too busy looking at the ridiculous white plastic half circles and all the ridiculous colors on the pavement.
It really slows up traffic, WE NEED THE 4 LANES FOR TRAFFIC BACK!
Very chaotic
Everything. People blowing thru 36th stops signs too
Right turn only lanes need more infrastructure. Purple areas poorly located. Barriers are hazardous to cyclist (pedal or axle grab).
It's too busy" the extra paint is confusing. Also paint makes roads more slippery. Sorry, its Not good for bikes
Doesn't make any sense. Left lane should be able to go straight or left. Making a 4 lane road 2 lanes in an already busy area will make a small town with too much traffic even worse.
Everything! Major change in traffic flow! Distracting cones and barrackades! Unnecessary considering there was already a bike lane and side walk. More dangerous for all!!! Cars bikes and pedestrians!
striping confusing, plastic separators have no obvious purpose.
The lanes are unclear. It's also a hazard constricting traffic down to a single lane with intrusions into the bicycle lane that are vague. This is more dangerous for bicycles and motorists than the original design.
While driving it was unclear when a merge of 2 lanes would happen and it was unclear when the lane would be forced to turn. On bicycle it is unclear when, and how you will have an opportunity to exit the bike lane.
its awful take it all down someones going to get hurt
The lane changes
They tended to slow down traffic and if permanent they would make portola drive more congested, especially when people use it to avoid congestion on the freeway every afternoon. We live in Villa Santa Cruz off of 24th and Felt Street and travel travel frequently on Portola.
It's a cluster fuck, whoever came up with this should be fired.
too much going on!
Na
It's a terrible idea take it down and fire the people who designed this madness
Lanes have been changed for designated turning/going straight and is not clearly marked
Too many decisions in a small area.

The people psychedelic paint is distracting. The waves are distracting. The left turn only lanes are distracting.
It was just so congested it was hard to see how this could possibly be an improvement.
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Too many things to process in addition to other cars. The pedestrians and cyclists are lost in the noise. Too many brake lights, cars behaving oddly, not feeling comfortable turning into driveways or pulling out. It's scary if there's cars there and every time we were there there were significant cars--at times I need to be there.
What is the purple paint? The large white plastic barriers obscure vision. The turn only lanes slow traffic.
The whole thing is a lot to take in. Many colors, lots of lane changes, weird white barriers in bike lanes
obstructions to traffic flow
Arrows are pointing all directions, creating confusion where there was previously no confusion.
There is too much going on people not understanding the game plan. Too much traffic
Stuck in traffic like I have never seen before. Added congestion at intersections makes it all unsafe and unpredictable.
Unclear traffic patterns
THE ROAD IS FUGLY. ITS UNCLEAR WHICH LANE TO USE. THE WHITE LINES ARE CONFUSING. THE TRAFFIC IS AWFUL NOW. TAKE IT AWAY
Maneuvering auto traffic backed up congestion
all very distracting for cars and bicycles, an utter waste of money!!!
Don't understand why we are down to one lane. There is way to much traffic for that. These installations won't make it better
Not enough space for lane transition from 2-1 lane
Where to turn in a car .. where to cross as a pedestrian to bicyclist .. there were several bicyclist riding in the lane for traffic and not in the bicycle lane..
Very broken flow with multiple situations where 2 lanes merged into just one in order to add right or left hand only lanes.
Taking Portola down to one lane in each direction is stupid and I'm a bicyclist. There is no need for this since there is already a nice wide bicycle lane and it just pisses off motorists since it backs up traffic at all the stop signs.
There are so many new objects and things to process at once when entering Portola by car. I'm sure we can all get used to it. I really do like what it's for and it's a very happy site to see to see people getting out.
Too much stuff on the road. Distracting and inconsiderate to people on the road
There are too many distractions while driving. The traffic is slow because of the reduced lanes for cars and traffic is backing up when it used to flow freely.
Just was a mess. It was congested —way too much traffic
Unsure of set up
Too busy visually. The whole setup was distracting to me.
Barrels and wave things and lane switches and added stop signs at unnecessary places and more traffic congestion and other drivers being confused.....
Blocking parking spots and the drive-up mail drop is confusing, and the shoddy paint job with the rickety metal blockades draw the eye too much, which actually makes drivers LESS aware of pedestrians and bicyclists.
Very distracting. Various colors meant nothing-were unknown-purple?
Minimal parking pop-outs, blockades confusing
It felt like road work chaos- it was confusing, and really created more traffic. Too much to look at- it actually made me less aware of other cars, bikes, and people.
Na
Too many barricades, traffic backed up and angry drivers. I felt more unsafe on my bike and turned off Portola To E Cliff where this is not a problem
Turn lanes seemed to come out of nowhere and the white installments look like clutter.
They did not fit the lay of the road..
You are creating a new traffic jam where none previously existed.
Poor use of space, driving lanes, and turning lanes. I feel like the driving lanes are poorly and inefficiently designed, the confusion might cause more dangers to bikers
Installations falling into roadway and into bike path in various areas.
Cluttered and distracting - nothing modern in this design. Like navigating through a circus
Hate everything about this design!! I almost hit barriers with my bike. They are distracting ugly and causing more traffic! If you want to help paint normal bike lanes on 38th and add speed bumps
They're making the roads very confusing to navigate contributing to cars crashing. Instead of usual two straight lanes now they're constantly closing off and merging. People get confused. So much traffic. Because of this too on an already VERY busy road. This area of Portola is already spacious for bikers. There's no need to place these barriers and block roads for cars. Parking is sticking out on the side, the whole concept makes no sense and contributes to car accidents and massive increased traffic. Get rid off this. This should not be a permanent set up. Other areas need better protection of bike lanes. Not this one.
The road is too congested and now filled with too many visible distractions.
There is enough traffic don't need more
It's visually chaotic, creates confusion, aesthetically displeasing, increase of traffic, hard to reach businesses, increase traffic in neighborhoods is deplorable, please get rid of it. Stop sign on 36 was a good idea slows down the speeders.
N/A
It wasn't clear how to turn or navigate into the parking lots and when the lanes were reduced to one lane. I walk with my farther -in-law on Portola all the time , we use the sidewalks. I have never had a problem on Portola walking. I believe this project is not necessary for this part of Portola, it's created more distractions than we had before when the street was wide open. Alan Woertink 25th ave

Too many visual signs, barriers, and street painting was very distracting and confusing. It took my attention away from focusing on the road and pedestrians.
One lane and confusing look cheap Traffic backup
Everything
There was way to much going on. Lane changes, sections of road that are no longer in use, people trying to park or back out of parking. This is a horrible idea. Why are we trying to create more traffic and over all congestion when bike lanes and sidewalks are available. The businesses complaint about parking ie cat and cloud should have chosen a different location. They have all ready cheapened Santa Cruz with there existence and now they want to creat more traffic. This hole thing is a huge waste of time and money. Let's get the rail trail (no train) built if you want to improve Santa Cruz!
old painted lines moving traffic to drive straight or turn, including turn only. was busy & confusing, cars still using two lanes and cutting each other off, increased traffic. All the installations, colors & paint including orange barrels & new parking signs / spots was very difficult to even pay attention to pedestrians or bicycles
The entirety was and still is very confusing. Fellow drivers almost collided with me several times. Pedestrians and bicyclists look confused as well as drivers. This makes continuing down Portola to Capitola village extra dangerous for those in vehicles, for those on bicycles and for pedestrians.
The white metal bands. The pink paint... Traffic was backed up from Capitola Village to 17th Avenue. What will happen when the pandemic is truly over? More commuters will be forced into family neighborhoods in order to get around traffic.
It's a cluster that makes drivers even more distracted. There was nothing wrong with how it was before
Very distracting and unnecessary. Biking on Portola has never been an issue and the changes create unnecessary car traffic. A couple "improved" blocks for biking won't impact my decision to bike vs. drive. Once you bike out of the "improved biking area" it's back to the regular old bike lanes. Creating more car traffic is NOT what Santa Cruz needs. The additional stop sign at 36th is the only good part of this program.
Turn lane could be more clearly marked
the orange pylons and white bike lane dividers constrict use of the road for cyclists. Cars lingering longer due to the reduction in lanes pose as obstacles for bikes. Cars are forced to do more maneuvering due to the reconfiguration of lanes and orange pylons and are more distracted by those factors causing them to be less aware or considerate of drivers and pedestrians. The increased traffic also increases the tendency of confusing and dangerous interactions between cars, pedestrians and cyclists as cars are lingering near crosswalks and bike lanes for a longer duration of time.
The installations were easily understood
The area is much more hectic making it hard to understand what is happening on the road. Additionally people are actually speeding more and drive more unsafe because the roads have now become extremely confusing, with over amounts of directions and narrowing roads. I live in this neighborhood and walk/ bike the area often. The changes made have not made me feel any safer or more seen while walking. Again I find it's the opposite. There is now so much traffic and it feels much busier where I actually feel less seen and certainly not any safer. To further this project would be a expensive disservice to this community
Confusing lanes merging and new turns lanes for no reason
Not clear
The entire set up is useless and just causes confusion. Negativity effects the businesses and is not needed what so ever. If anything will cause more danger to pedestrians and bikers
Taking 1 of the lanes away and then making it turn only is causing more traffic and people just ignore the turn only anyway
The bike lane dips into the corners instead of staying straight which makes it hard to track neighboring cyclists.
The lanes merge in very confusing ways and there are turn arrows that are unclear if it is a turn lane only or if you can continue straight. I was biking and this installation made me feel more unsafe.
Not easy to turn in said turn lanes because of orange cones blocking room to turn. Drivers ignoring the turn lanes as "turn lanes" and burning people to go straight. More traffic in neighborhoods to get around portola madness. Much longer time to get down the street
The turning lanes are not visible until it is too late to switch lanes. Furthermore Portola was never an issue to begin with and this is coming from someone who primarily biked down Portola for the last 9 years everyday and drives down Portola occasionally. I will say that I greatly appreciate the flashing crosswalks to let bikes and padestrians cross safely. Lastly, Portola has never suffered from such tremendous traffic which is a bikers worst nightmare. I appreciate the effort to increase safety but Portola was perfect before all of this and hope to just see more flashing cross walks in the future.
Traffic hazard when two lanes are merging into one.. there will be many accidents. It all looks stupid. It's a distraction.
Not only is it causing more traffic in this already highly congested area the changes look horrible like a child drew them with chalk. The moron who came up with this idea should be fired. Who makes decisions like this to waste tax payer money!?! Worthless country employees strike again.
Signage looks temporary, blocks looks temporary, nothing readable to direct people, total mess - looks like a kindergarten chalk fair project and makes it impossible to know what lane you're supposed to be in when. Bike safety is about cyclists obeying laws not more confusing car problems.
Confusing and awkward that right lane that was for traffic going straight, now is right-hand turn lane only. Now right lane has to merge to left, causing unnecessary back ups. There is already a wide bike lane. Just improve visibility of bike lanes (color-coded green) and crosswalks, like what's being in all other areas and improve sidewalks.
The whole design is a mess and not needed. Ive lived in area for many years. this WAS NOT needed.
Turn lanes, purple painted areas, way more gridlock.
Too busy and distracting. Too much congestion now on 41st and Portola. However, I like the stop sign at 36th & Portola. Helps with everyone!

Heading east to 41st the one available car lane becomes a left turn only lane and unless you know that before hand you will have to turn left at the stop sign. If you wish to continue straight you need to change lanes within a short distance to the stop sign. I would not want to parallel park in the newly designated spaces on a busy street with only one lane.
Chaotic and confusing and created more traffic and sever backup. No flow. This was not well visualized or thought out. Very distracting signage. There are more options for better choices to get where you want to go without what Changes were made
What's the purple paint for?
While driving it was very distracting, and took my attention off the jay walkers. Also when I was riding I didn't have room to get out , and it just ended
Too busy , too many circles, arrows and signs and colors
No need for a change on portola! Thus just makes much more traffic and is very unnecessary
Its a mess. Everyone was so confused about what lane to be in and the traffic was awful. Everyone was honking their horns in frustration.
Cars are too close to the white post making it very difficult to drive. Traffics has increased making it more dangerous for pedestrians and bicyclist. The stops are unnecessary. Overall, Portola Drive was way better as it was than with this new installment.
Very distracting to have 50 gallon drums, white waves things and heavy traffic
I did not see the stop sign due to distraction of the bicycle lane. It's hard to drive because it usually was a two Lane now a single lane. I feel more anxious of how small the road is with wave structure. More cars are focus on the wave structure than focus on the road. It is more a distraction than help the drivers.
Hard to determine when to get into the left turn lane and for how long I could stay in it. also, unable to know if I could make a right turn onto 38th from Portola, given the large orange barrier
Next
Non standard road markings. People driving mad because this is an unneeded change to the road. This area already has traffic backups, now they are worse. All this will do is shift traffic to other streets that are not primary roads
The barriers and purple markings are unconventional and unless you have read about yhem, people don't know ehat they mean I still donct ehat the purple road markings are for
Hard to know which lane does what and so many people unaware of the sudden new stop sign makes it even more dangerous and scary to cross. The lane changes are sudden. Unnecessary. Makes it harder to get to and from my home. The barriers already broken in many places. Parking on street in front of parking lots is unnecessary.
The spray painted looking road lanes, the weird street barriers. Portola has been 2 lanes my entire life (35 years) and it's completely confusing and hazardous
Now there is people in the road that should not be
People try to use the right lane then have to switch mid traffic to the right in order to be able to go the direction they need.
The amount of traffic it created, and was more distracting than before
The road looks confusing and now traffic is even more congested
I was confused on what color was what. The white railing on the side is confusing. Makes traffic worse!
They are a distraction while driving, and make trying to turn hard to judge. Also seems like will impact emergency vehicles because can't pull over without potentially damaging car
I was just not sure what the purple zebra stripes wete supposed to mean.
I didn't find them confusing, but judging by their current state, some people must have
No warning just bam a huge change in your way
Everything about it before this change was fine, now it's causing traffic to be way worse, and because of it being so confusing with having to get over into one lane I believe in the long run would just cause even more accidents having this bike installment when it was LITERALLY PERFECTLY FINE BEFORE
As a biker turning from 38th Antipova tala heading north I had to go around a giant sand filled con that was partially in the black bike lane
To congested. Traffic was backed up. This design seems to create more traffic. There are no business that need a center turn lane. Other then the bike lanes this makes no sense to me. I hope we are not committed to this design. I do not like this at all. Just in case I am not making my self clear enough. Thanks
mismatched colors, poor pain, painting over old arrows and poor planning to put this in
There is only one lane now and you are constantly haven't to make sure you are not going to hit one of the deciders over looking out for pedestrian and bikes.
They sucked
made one lane right turn only , installed another stop sign, too much congestion , totally not necessary
Its just way too much craziness. It is not simple. Just put l a lot of stop signs to slow traffic, and one long bike lane (bright green) and the left on 38th. Leave the metal rack and purple curbs/indented curbs out of it.
No explanation of usage, multiple paint colors on road
There's too much going on. Bicycle barriers and the closing of thru lanes congrats and makes everything very confusing. Car traffic is beyond ridiculous now since there are very unnecessary left turn lanes in place of thru traffic lanes. Really really poorly planned road project. I've lived in pleasure point for 20 years and not one local I've talked to likes this change.
Too much going on. It was more confusing than helpful. Multiple close vehicle accidents every time I've driven down Portola. Cars are too confused to pay more attention to cyclists or pedestrians! Very awkward changes and poor use of space on a fairly busy road. Bike lanes were already wide. I ride often on Portola and have never felt in danger.
It's distracting and hard to see where the new parking is
Cars and pedestrians are coming from unpredictable places. Parking spots are adjacent to merging traffic lanes and stop signs. People driving cars are delayed and impatient making it more dangerous. Complete zoo and dangerous. LEAVE IT ALONE.

Way too many direction changes.
The sidewalks and bike lane were enough. The plastic wave gimmicks are ugly, already broken and distracting. The traffic congestion caused by this experiment is unfortunate
One block forces a right turn, and the very next block forces a left turn.
If you have to ask...
It's so busy. The purple "curb extensions" is not common or known sign for drivers and it adds more distractions. The bike dividers are not placed properly and make it hard to turn into business. The extra parking is unnecessary. The extra stop sign on 36th is great, but there was extra signage to alert drivers and there are many drivers who are running this stop sign.
Too much traffic and people cutting each other off
Trying to follow the changes from one block to the next is confusing. The parallel parking causes confusion for a single lane of traffic with cars trying to back into a parallel spot. I had a harder time seeing pedestrians because of the constant changes in the lane configurations. I did not see any bicycles whatsoever on the several drives I've taken on Portola.
All the color, and the barriers are distracting as a driver. I don't know what to look at.
Parking spots, turn offs, merges, and pink designs in the second lanes made no sense.
Having the left lane of traffic now a compulsory left turn only at 38th caused me to divert & created more congestion in the right hand lane since now there's only 1 lane going straight away. There's a STOP sign in the intersection of 38th & Portola so why do you need to create a left turn only lane? This creates confusion and more bottleneck traffic in the right hand lane going straight. This backlog will create even more bottleneck traffic into 41st & Portola which itself is a very congested 4 way street. This was poorly designed.
so many unnecessary lanes, kind of confusing. in my opinion.
Why did you paint it purple. The swirly design is so distracting I wouldn't be surprised if there ends up being an accident.
Created way too much traffic, frustrated drivers which resulted in chaos.
Why do we need left lanes to be turning only in a residential setting Also why go to 1 lane Stop signs r way too close together and to have one right there when ur coming out of a parking lot makes it hard
It's a true mess in an already messy area. I think that it makes bicyclists more vulnerable to traffic trying to find the spot to turn into businesses between the white wave partitions and vehicles more vulnerable to accident because they are slamming their brakes to find the opening to make the turn. I didn't see any pedestrians or bicyclists so if they were there they were definitely put into danger because I am frequently both a pedestrian and bicyclist therefore very aware of people engaged in both activities.
Pointless. Stop wasting money and go deal with the alcoholics down at jjs
Living in this neighborhood for many years now I can say that from my perspective this is an idea that is not working! Well intentioned but it has created a hornets nest of traffic that is steady bumper to bumper for most of the afternoons... causing drivers with road rage, more pollution in our beautiful neighborhood as cars idle for long waits in the traffic, and the messy colors/poles/painting of lines is confusing and dangerous. Please REMOVE!!!!!!!!!!!!
Na
the whole thing is so bad
Poor use of the roadway
Road colors should be used. This is not an art projects. Turning lanes too short of notice causes jams during certain times.
everything about the portola road change is absolute shit, get rid of it and open back to 2 lanes fuck the supervisor, fuck newsom and fuck the valleys this is Santa Cruz
Hard to understand where you can turn right
It just looks like there is too much going on. Very distracting while driving.
So much going on and I couldn't figure out what it was supposed to actually do besides confuse drivers and cause a lot of traffic issues. There is a sidewalk and bike lane there already. This just causes issues and us unnecessary.
The unexpected lane closures created traffic back ups that never occurred there previously
Everything about this area is confusing. Less lanes makes everyone jam into one area. The lines are "art" on the corners are all over the place. The entire experience is confusing.
The whole temp improvement overall is messy and cluttered. things are already breaking down and on the ground. The big orange barrels are a total eyesore - I am all for improving bike and ped walking - but this is awful.
The white barriers are very confusing to all driver & cause us to not be as aware of pedestrians & bikes. The shape of them is ugly & causes confusion.
Created more commotion/traffic
There were two lanes that worked perfectly fine. The right turn from 38th is very sharp
The change in color of yellow lines and the arbitrary addition of forced turns made it unnecessarily confusing. Why force a bottle neck of traffic there when the two lanes were working just fine?
The whole design
Portola is no longer familiar and other pedestrians just walk into the street because of the proximity of the new lanes
This whole project is unnecessary. I appreciate wanting to make it safer for bikers and PEDS, but the increased traffic and confusing lane changes make it more dangerous in my opinion. There is not enough road length to have so many lane transitions. The wave dividers are fine, but PLEASE bring back both lanes.
Two lane traffic into one lane
Outside lanes are only turn
There is more congestion and more confusion. I have lived in Pleasure Point since 1996 and I bike and walk daily in the area. This change has made it more difficult to see walker and bikers. Cars cant turn off Portola safely. Its all very distracting and needs to be returned to 2 lanes each side and just green bike lanes in the original bikes lanes. It really feels more unsafe to be biking or walking with this layout.
This is a terrible set up and makes absolutely no sense... it needs to get changed back ,..

It makes it harder to turn across traffic to head into the neighborhood, not to mention the oncoming stop and go traffic giving you space to turn, while you create a traffic jam behind you while you wait.
Why go to such extreme? Why not follow the current identification with green painting and well defined biking lane? All the purple paint and odd color double lines plus barriers is just simply over the top too much.
To "busy" and confusing. Lanes not being used as lanes. Horrible design
Multiple white turn signals on the ground in the center lane. Also created significant traffic and confusion for people merging.
Very congested, especially at intersection. Increased my concern of creating an accident or hurting a pedestrian. Did not make me want to use Portola road by vehicle or by foot and I live in the neighborhood.
Physical barriers and congestion due to lane reduction and turning cars at intersection
How do I turn as a car? As a bike I now have things to hit and make me fall. Purple drawings make no sense.
Used to having two lanes. Super weird no one knows how to drive with it and people are still driving in the turning lanes. Feels like someone could easily just get in an accident.
The sudden change from 2 lanes to one for no discernible reason and the distracting road painting as well as the "wave" things. Already, the plastic "wave" things are coming undone and presenting a possible biking hazard.
There's too much going on now with 1 lane.
It's very unclear how the lanes now merge, the art on the road is confusing and distracting. Taking away a lane from an already traffic prone area has caused extreme back up. It is hard to get into business now by car due to the traffic increase. Less lanes is not a solution to increase bike usage. This is not a great plan and I hope it doesn't go forward.
Very loud and just confusing, also why did we make one of the busiest streets on the east side a one lane ????
NA
There is a place where the bike lane seems to veer sharply. I'm blanking on the cross street. It's not a major problem but I think it should be addressed if the lane becomes permanent (which I would love).
Lane change right after crossing intersection and multiple sides of cars turning into one lane
So much traffic congestion with the new set up that people are not using the areas properly and things go much more slowly for pedestrians/bikers/drivers alike
The colorful expression of the temporary treatments camouflages cyclist and pedestrians. The visual hierarchy of color, pattern and structures of the temporary treatments overshadows their good intent. This is an art instillation.
Not confusing
The turn lanes aren't clearly marked, and the removal of a lane without markings before it ends, keeps causing traffic.
The barrels & road narrowing hid bikes & pedestrians
Extremely distracting. What does purple or green mean? It looks like the Cheshire cat threw up all over Portola I don't get it?
Everything about it. The lane blocked means lane changes and confusion
I've been living on and around Portola for over 5 years both skating, biking and driving. And have never experienced as much panic and disarray. Please can we revert because this isn't benefiting the people that live and use that road to get to and from work and home and have to sit in traffic and stops signs every block.
Part of the lane is bike, part parking and part turning for driveways. It's a HOT mess.
Unclear road changes. Too much color, and the "waves" were distracting and in odd positions. It created more traffic and more confusion than anything else.
More traffic since now there is one lane. Pedestrian and bicycles already have sidewalks and bike lanes.
This installation completely ruined Portola drive which is a road I walk on and drive down every day. It makes no sense at all to get rid of the 2 lanes and add that stop sign. The amount of traffic created makes it impossible to see where the lanes are turn only and I witnessed 2 near collisions since its been installed from people trying to drive safe where you put barriers up. Plus the amount of frustration you are causing is creating road rage which is dangerous for everyone on the road. There was literally nothing at all wrong with Portola and now it's all messed up. Have you even taken the time to see the multi 4 way stop signs with only a single lane back up the traffic from 41st to 30th? It's a nightmare.
People do not understand how to use the new turn lane implementations. Locals driving on portals are used to the lanes and spacing we have been previously allowed. This now causes confusion and driver aggression because drivers get upset when they have to merge back into the one straight lane and no one lets them in. It's causing more traffic and irritation amongst drivers.
Green bike lanes clashing with a random purple design on the road and the fact that the road condenses down to a single lane road where it is usually 2 lanes
The whole are is a mess.I'm not sure who came up with this idea but it was not anyone who lives in the area. What's with the painted streets, people are not sure where to stand. The bike division waves are at handle bar level. Just dangerous. Driving trying to get out of the parking lots of business is so much more dangerous. You have more blind spots making it harder to see people walking, biking, or skating. Just a cluster mess. Disappointed
Too narrow. I had to concentrate on not hitting the barricades that did nothing to protect riders.
It's very disruptive and doesn't make sense
Every thing is confusing The metal things devide bike lane is distracting .The middle turn lane is all fu barred . The one lane is causing huge traffic jam .so are turn lane no really marked so you have no idea your in turn only lane . Put back they way it was and just put more stop Sign
cluster fuck shit show
Too much going on. Why are there turn only lanes for 38th and 36th. Everything bottlenecks making nightmare traffic. It took me 15 minutes to make a left from 37th onto Portola. Portola needs four lanes. Way to many vehicles at certain times to use one lane. I'll think of more as this fiasco continues. Why is our nice neighborhood getting dumped on. First the new and so called and improved parking permit program (thankfully that didn't happen., Now this street project.
Los colores en las esquinas distraen el conductor.

It's unnecessary and makes traffic WAY worse. Take it down
The striping felt chaotic. So many different colors and treatments. The different bollards and wave separators were also Confusing because they weren't uniform.
The lanes are not well marked. The purple design at 41st is destructing and confusing. Traffic has never been a problem on Portia until these changes were made. Put the lanes back the way they were.
The eliminated auto lanes. Bicycle lanes encroaching into auto lanes. Traffic congestion back up.
Too distracting, couldn't see pedestrians or bicyclists well.
Too much going on. Causes more vehicle traffic. Looks terrible also.
quick merging into 1 lane from 2 at intersection at 38th and e. cliff if people had made a left turn is too immedate
Changing the layout of the lanes was confusing and in the short stretch of portola I saw multiple cars almost hit each other. I live down the street and walk and drive this stretch often and it feels like a horrible change. The lanes feel small with the white bike lane things, no signage on when and where lanes end. It honestly felt like chaos.
Right turn lane without notice Very confusing No need for the added congestion
Very distracting and unsafe for pedestrians and bicyclists due to the very distracting nature of project
No rhyme or reason. Too many merges. Cars don't know where to go. Dangerous.
A lot to focus on, at once. Plus still watching out for those walking or biking. The new stop sign however is a must!
Lane closures & parking in the middle of the street. Harder to make turns
No idea where I am supposed to be driving too much stuff going on
to go from a 4 lane road suddenly to a two lane road with weird sculpture things on the side of the road is very confusing and the sculpture things/barriers are very distracting. and what is the point of having this for less than a mile?
There is too much going on
So distracting, should just use green lanes like the rest of the county
There are so many changes to the roadway that it is impossible to safely navigate the roadway and keep an eye on pedestrians/bikers. Nothing is clearly marked and no time given for proper lane changes due to lack of signage. It's a cluster to drive let alone feel safe walking or biking. We will not be taking our evening walks in that direction anymore in fear of being hit by other drivers having the same issues. Very upsetting for those of us who live here and go about our daily lives. Businesses along that area will suffer because of this.
The purple striped corners are so busy and unnecessary. As an educator, I pay attention to excess stimulation. These markings add to the confusion. All the white lane dividers look like constant construction and busy-ness. The intersection at 41st and 38th go from two lanes to one lane very quickly CAUSING a traffic jam. I almost got hit on the first day!
someone didn't do their homework when deciding upon a right turn only lane headed east. I'd guess <10% of traffic turns right. this was just asking for traffic jams. traffic jams = angry drivers. this could arguably be more dangerous for bikers.
Lane transition and the new center divider for left turns. The waves are distracting. Does not add to safe driving.
The left lane changing over and over, distracting!
It looks like a toddler drew a bunch of squiggly lines on the road. There is no need for a middle turn lane whatsoever. Going from left lane to suddenly right lane and then getting back into left lane only to go back to right lane is a joke. This doesn't work. It's a huge mess. I got so tripped up today that I had to make a left turn from the right lane (which is dangerous). I spent so much time merging and trying to figure out where I was supposed to go that I didn't even notice a bike lane. DANGEROUS!
Didn't know what they were for. Road markings were not intuitive. Turning right from 41st onto Portola it looks like you are supposed to swing over two lanes for no discernible purpose.
too much going on
Very distracting. Too many changes in a short distance.
All changes were CONFUSING!!!
You do realize that people cannot ride a bike or walk, they are disabled and need to drive. For people forced to drive, this is very complicated and difficult to navigate. It is now going to take twice as long to get to doctors appointments, etc. I will not drive that way anymore until that is undone. Whatever is going on down there just looks complicated and confusing.
Not sure what the purple zones are on the turns, but they stick out too far and difficult to get around. It also seems counterproductive to have parking spots in the middle of the road. Also, the turning lane between 38th and 41st is outrageously confusing with 100 arrows, and also unnecessary. Those businesses don't have the traffic to justify an entire turning lane.
Unknown borders for bicycles and many lane changes
All of it, it's a giant mess on protola. I've live on 30th ave all my life and before that my mother did so as well. What a mess! Perhaps consider adding standard stop signs at 36th and 30th or lighted crosswalks over this disaster. My family of five, with our youngest being 4 on her own bike have no difficulty navigating protola on foot or bike. Maybe use the money to tackle the homelessness and drug use over this waste of money.
Car: Narrowing lanes and/or ending lanes doesn't make sense on this road as there are too many cars driving every day to accommodate for it. It's dangerous and takes way more time to get through. Bike: Why widening the bike path at all? Haven't felt unsafe before. The barriers are ugly to say the least. Paint the bike path green to make it more visible, but keep the old width. People, if they walk at all in modern America, can still make use of the sidewalk.
The incontinuity of the "artistic" markings on the pavement and green markings for bike lanes were off balance-who rides their bike like that all crooked and not in a direct like fall line when biking forward? The parked cars in the newly alloyed parking spots are particularly dangerous. I almost rear ended one parked car-twice. The regular flow of car traffic is backed up, it's worse during rush hour and a busy weekend. There are better designs for bikes and pedestrians with two lanes of traffic. THIS design missed the mark.
I think they will be confusing for those on autopilot having traveled that street a lot. However, as with any change once it is permanent and one lane the whole way it will be "normal".

Too much going on and I ended up having to turn right instead of going straight like I wanted to. The funneling of traffic is awful. It looks like a mess there
When walking down Portola, it was the same with no improvement to safety. (by the way, it was fine before) When driving, cars are cutting you off at the one lane only. It's more dangerous now.
There are way too many objects in the road creating major distractions and confusion. Nobody knows where to drive or where to turn or where to park.. It's really really bad.. awful! Definitely creating more traffic on side streets because people are avoiding Portola as much as possible.
No signage!
Too busy negotiating the lane elimination in traffic. Totally stupid and probably dangerous.
What are purple swirl areas supposed to represent?
I missed a stop sign watching the bikes and turn instructions.
Traffic weaving in and out, bright colors which is distracting
To much distraction between all the wave makers and the barrels it was very confusing as to where I was suppose to go. The purple design made it confusing too. You made it simple for walkers but not drivers. To much distraction
The design terrible
Colorful ground, white wavy things for bike lanes, and new stops signs is a lot to try to take in while driving and being safe
There are too many colors and things going on. I didn't like all the barricades that were falling over into the street. I found the whole thing distracting.
Going from 2 lanes to 1 caused traffic backups. Very bad idea
You put the bicycles right next to the cars... I would not ride my bike there at all..not safe.. You made driving a car unsafe also
This is a cluster f
Absolutely everything. Never have I drove anywhere with anything remotely similar to how the road is split by dividers and lined with confusing colors. Makes driving confusing and vision is obstructed by the dividers and large orange cones.
Ridiculous design for bike barrier, very distracting and makes driving lane too small
Removing a lane when traffic in town is a nightmare. What are you thinking
Poor distracting design.
there is already a sidewalk
The turn only lane is what's confusing
Strange purple designs
Right lane becomes right turn only with no signage.
I felt it actually obstructed the view and caused more traffic
Everything. Two lanes are needed on portola at all times.
It's too loud. Too much going on. The pop up has not been done well. The "purple" curbs are too wide. Makes turning from Portola onto Avenues difficult.
Too tight a space.
As a driver it feels like there is less room and I am navigating where to drive and not seeing the bikers or walkers. As a biker, I felt like the amount of space I had was way less.
Everything...this makes zero sense. This road diet is creating a ton of traffic and extra pollutions. It was great before..now it's a big problem and cars are speeding down residential streets to avoid portola. This is a disaster if you live in pleasure point.
The traffic merging was so confusing. There were signs to the right side of the driving lanes meant for bicyclists but you look to see what they say while driving and no signs or reasoning to the left driving lane merging over and over again into the right lane. I have lived here for 20 years and couldn't understand what was happening. I can't imagine someone from out of town. What a stupid and dangerous update to the road. Whoever designed this should have their degree revoked from the school they went for urban design. I have a friend who went to Harvard for 4 years who's from Santa Cruz. She helped design bike ones in nyc and sf. It's like you hired the big lots of urban design.
The entire street has everyone so confused they do not know where to drive.
Congested and confusing!
everything about this project is confusing
This was the worst idea ever and the whole town is upset about it. Get rid of it. What a waste of time and resources.
Everything
It was installed with no communication, it's ugly, and overall confusing.
Narrowing the two lanes down one lane on the northwest side of the four way stop condenses traffic. This intersection is already one of the worst because it has more than 4 lanes at a 4 way stop. The condensing of lanes is the last thing this community needs. It will cause more backups and frustrated drivers, leading to less safety for bikers and pedestrians. Focus on the railroad. Don't do this.
Lots of colors on the pavement, metal structures. Turn lanes are unclear
Too many obstacles made driving and biking distracting, making me uncomfortable along the road in fear of not seeing a pedestrian when I was driving and afraid of a driver hitting me while I biked. Overall there is too much happening on this road for it to be safe, please get ride of it!
There are just squiggly lines all over the road.
NOT EARLY ENOUGH WARNING FOR RIGHT TURN ONLY. BOTTLE NECKS TRAFFIC
Too many pieces along the road followed by weird painted sections
Terrible traffic
Distracting colors, white "barriers" blowing all over the place, lanes ending with no warning... it's a mess!! Unsafe.
It is an accident waiting to happen. Dangerous. Design and layout is poor. No common sense in planning. Not community friendly. As a cyclist it made it more dangerous. As a driver in order to make a turn someone is going to dye.
It was slowing traffic down in every direction! Signs were very confusing

Through traffic only has one lane. People are still using right lane and driving straight. Traffic is a mess.
Lanes changing from one to two and back to one and back to two. Traffic backup, not sure which lane to enter.
People who are aggressive and confused
Super distracting and the 2 to 1 lane at the start of intersections are super confusing. The purple and green paint, orange cones, distracting bike barriers, new parking spots, it's all really confusing and distracting as a driver which makes me feel less confident as a biker. Also, it increases traffic which is not good environmentally. I've biked, walked, and ran down Portola multiple times a week for at least 15 years. For me, I felt completely fine biking there, the only difficult area for me was sometimes crossing the street. I normally just used an intersection or the light up flashing cross walk to mitigate that. If I were to recommend changing anything, it would be adding another one of those so cars stop for pedestrians, but only when necessary.
They make no sense and are impractical
The entire project is an atrocious waste of time. Ive almost been hit more times during this week then in the last 10 years of living at pleasure point. Take this down and put back Portola to what we had before that worked perfectly fine. The community hates this!!!
It's a hot mess
Not sure when it becomes 1 lane
Stripes were horrible. No signs. Very poor
too confusing & visually busy. doesn't feel fluid or clear
Too much going on.
It took up an absurd amount of space on a street that already experiences congestion.
Signs , cones, temporary barriers, barrels and streets were painted.. too much visual information, was difficult to navigate.
The barriers made biking more challenging to navigate, especially because the streets in that area are so bumpy that I am unable to avoid bumps in the bike lane with the new barriers in place. It also makes it difficult for a biker to make a left turn with the barriers. Until the roads get re-paved and smoothed out, I think this plan is not good for bikers.
Too many things
I wasn't sure where to go!! And what was happening and why.
The dividers are big and look like they could be dangerous
Too many different things going on - colors, shapes, items, direction changes. Visually confusing and awkward.
Too many issues to list out. Traffic is a nightmare.
Fucking horrible
Too many distractions- I live very close and wasn't aware they made it go from 2 to 1 lane and added a stop sign- no warning- it felt dangerous- almost got in an accident- nobody asked the neighbors if they would like this
Confusing as to where you can turn or go straight. Also once in full use the decrease in size of the lanes will surely result in someone getting out of their parked car getting clipped
Curb painting is confusing Parallel parking was very poorly planned
The whole thing is confusing and increases the probability for an accident to happen . It also causes more traffic.
The installations are ugly and confusing and the lanes switching between 1 and 2 lanes is confusing and unnecessary
Visually very confusing. We were too afraid to ride our bikes as it is very limited room and I am not that confident in tight spaces, it was more thing to try to avoid.
The colors, dividers and large cones are very distracting while driving. Why was a new format used when other bike paths routes have standard look and feel.
Constant shifts between 2 lanes and 1 lane; can't be sure which lane at each next intersection will be the straight-ahead lane versus a turn lane; new parking spaces seem pretty tough to navigate when all traffic coming from behind is stuck in one lane so will have to wait for parking car to get out of the way.
The merging for vehicles created much more traffic and confusion. This also created a wall of cars that did not exist prior making it harder to see pedestrians on foot or on bicycle from the other lane across the street.
Everything! Why too tight and confusing and why more stops signs and one lane turning lanes
Odd placements, designs and colors. Bike lanes are typically painted green in most communities. Why not here? Why install odd metallic bike lane demisers? Completely unnecessary. Paint the bike lanes green (like everywhere else) tomorrow and remove the other crap that only causes confusion and anger. Remove the turn-only lanes and return to two lanes both ways with green bike lanes. Leave the stop sign at 36th. It accomplishes the speed reduction sought in the middle stretch of Portola.
It was distracting having art in the corners while navigating new stop signs and seemingly unnecessary Kane changes. As a driver I spent so much time merging back and forth that I couldn't even concentrate on the people in the bike lanes. I was busy trying to avoid collisions with vehicles.

<p>I think there was too much change at once. When I first saw the bike railing installations (which I have been referring to as woopy-dooos for lack of a better term) I thought they were an art installation. The railings paired with the purple paint job is not something that I have typically seen signifying a bike lane. In order for the bike lane identifiers to be effective, I think consistency with other traffic signals is essential. The orange barrels made no sense to me. I thought they were there to signify construction. I now realize they are there for parking. However there are plenty of parking lots in this area. I don't see the need for more parking spots that jut into an already narrow lane. I also think abruptly changing a two lane street into a one lane was confusing to navigate while driving. The area feels overly congested now. I feel less safe driving because the lane change feels unclear and people are quiet hesitant. The stop sign also is throwing people off. I have friends who have accidentally repeatedly run it. It was just a lot at once. Santa Cruz people are very territorial over their spaces. I think this would have gone over a lot better if they were presented with a gradual introduction. I am not angry with the intention to improve our community as most of my neighbors seem to be. I understand there was a good intention centered around safety when putting in these adjustments. However, this town is so not perceptive change. I think it all would have been less confusing if JUST the bike lane was changed (meaning the woopy-dooos and the paint job). It felt like I was Navigating a whole new city, not a street I have been biking/walking/driving down for the past 20 years. Thank you for caring about our town, but maybe next time less is more.</p>
NA
<p>The road goes into a very short merge causing confusion for cars. Drivers will be so busy trying to navigate the rapidly changing obstacles they won't be able to focus on bicycles and pedestrians. Driving it has become overwhelming, pulling in and out of the businesses is impacted as well. Now that a long line of never ending traffic develops it's extremely difficult to pull out of businesses. I anticipate more auto collisions and possible car and pedestrian/bicycle collisions. Adjacent businesses will likely see a decrease in sales and customer traffic with as hard as it is to access these by vehicles now.</p>
<p>I witnessed several autos trying to drive as if it was two lanes. I was almost hit twice when someone dodged back out of the lane. I saw a cat that went to one lane when forced and then back into the center lane when able. It was a terrifying drive.</p>
<p>This is Portola on the Eastside of SANTA CRUZ. We are not San Francisco or New York. The section extends 200 yards or whatever and is useless. I've grown up here off of 38th avenue - walking, biking, skating, driving - and never once have I felt in danger. Most people understand the "cars don't get a right away" on portola and are courteous to a jay walk or jay bike. Things are changing rapidly in this city and it's been progressively for the worst. Locals will stand up.</p>
<p>Unnecessary forced right turns don't make sense given the traffic in Portola</p>
<p>Sudden narrowing of lanes and bike lanes made drivers aggravated and cyclists confused. Most cyclists use EastCliff, not Portola. Hard to turn off to shopping</p>
<p>Turned to one lane Traffic a mess backed up didn't see one bike too much going on. my eyes were going everywhere.</p>
<p>Too much going on, so distracting!!! Really confusing.</p>
<p>This new set up is confusing and very dangerous, I am not sure of what lane to be in and totally did not see the new stop signs the first time approaching them. Please put it back to the way it was. I walk bike live and drive on portola</p>
<p>Why are you decreasing lanes and not addressing the problem? Widen Highway 1 then make surface streets safer for bikes and pedestrians. There is nowhere for all the cars you're detouring to go. People aren't going to wait in a backup when Waze is available. Now you want them going through neighborhoods with 25mph? How is that safer for anyone?</p>
<p>everything. you can't just completely change a road that's been the same for years and expect people to like it. focus on making the roads smoother and giving tickets to cyclists who don't stop at stop signs, ride on the very road side edge of the bike lanes and then there won't be a problem!</p>
<p>too many changes at one time. too many distracting road markings. Traffic forced into one lane creates a long line of vehicles.</p>
<p>The paint has no reflection and the marking have already faded beyond recognition.</p>
<p>The design looks entirely ridiculous and certain aspects are not obvious</p>
<p>Barrier to natural flow</p>
<p>So much going on, it was hard to know where to look. All VERY distracting new guard rail things, purple paint on corners, orange delineators , lane changes. It was so confusing for locals walking & driving. Feels very dangerous</p>
<p>Tons of things going on—lots of different lines, signage, etc. Honestly I think you made the space more dangerous, it was very confusing to navigate.</p>
<p>All of it</p>
<p>It went from being an open, high visibility area to a cluttered narrow passage for vehicles. Cars headed through the area had to change lanes, when previously you could safely stay in the left lane and make it past 41st Avenue.</p>
<p>The whole project was poorly designed. The bottle necks you're creating for cars by far offset anything you might soon as a positive although I don't see much good here. Please change it back.</p>
<p>They're obvious because of the amount of traffic they caused</p>
<p>Placement is poor, visibility is poor, construction is poor, durability is poor. Aesthetics are poor. Safety is poor. It has been non stop confusion and congestion in my hood. Take them back.</p>
<p>Too many merge lanes and the flow of traffic was stopped. Traffic was backed up all the way down 41st avenue. While working at suda, a restaurant on portola, I saw a woman hit one of the bike lane dividers and fall into oncoming traffic. It was worse than anything I had ever seen in the original bike lane(which was perfect). Easy cliff drive already has perfect bike access.</p>
<p>The lines aren't clearly painted and the design of this is beyond poor</p>
<p>Non standard used barriers confuse drivers. The multi decade change left lane now only a turn left caused massive congestion. The stop sign at 36th is fine but it needs to stay 2 lanes that can go straight. Traffic is a nightmare there and more traffic means itchy trigger foot drivers which is more dangerous to pedestrians and bikes.</p>
<p>Where the lanes are and when they merge.</p>
<p>Weird designs, nothing in line with traditional road signage, very confusing and distracting!!! New stop sign is great!!</p>

<p>The colors are confusing, why is there a purple swirly pattern lane? What the heck does that indicate? I noticed sooo many more confused drivers doing weird things because they had no clue what was going on. The left turn middle lane is not clear because it has two different colors of yellow (I get it but many other cars did not). I saw one car literally turn the wrong way into traffic because they couldn't figure out where to turn into the Coffeetopia lot. I'm all for safe bike lanes, the white barriers would have accomplished that. The rest of it is terribly confusing.</p>
<p>The new right turn lanes and having to switch lanes near 41st is awful. It is causing traffic which is unnecessary.</p>
<p>You're paying so much attention to the traffic you're not sure what going on. The road changes multiple times. Lot of frustration</p>
<p>It was distracting and difficult to understand.</p>
<p>Not very clear</p>
<p>Too many obstacles in the road. Bottlenecking the lanes causes traffic and confusion. It's terrible and seems more dangerous than before.</p>
<p>Too much visual clutter</p>
<p>Portola Road Pop Up Too much confusion! The bike lanes were just fine prior to making this pop up mess. Sorry, but that is what it is- a mess. Are you the same group that tried to push the closure of various streets throughout Pleasure Point and leaving main "speedway" throughways? Not sure you are in touch with all encompassing neighborhoods. These concepts seem to be pushing narrow agendas without bigger views of whole communities. I understand the businesses are suffering as a result and turning on to my street (37th) feels trickier than before. Not to mention the increased auto traffic congestion to an already burdened area. And tremendous complaining on social media. My husband rides his bike daily along these streets and from work to Soquel (has done this for over 23 years). He doesn't own a car. He finds this pop up too confusing for the general public and actually compromises his safety while commuting. The best thing out of this is the stop sign at 36th and Portola. Lots more parking could be added to Portola to relieve the cat n cloud mess. And you know what, bikes can navigate as they always have. Back to the drawing board or better yet, leave it be as it was. Thanks for trying.</p>
<p>It's too busy visually and distracting. I'm a bus driver for SCMTD so I drive on portola multiples times a day. All the signs, cones and purple and green paint don't help me focus on people, bikes and cars. The whole thing is frustrating to navigate.</p>
<p>Not clearly marked, only good change was stop sign at 36th Ave. to slow traffic down and allow residents to turn left without blocking crosswalk to see around parked cars.</p>
<p>Instant merging into one lane at Portola and 41st. This is creating huger traffic backups!!</p>
<p>Everything</p>
<p>Going back and forth from one lane to two is very confusing. Especially at intersections where there are two lanes that quickly merge into one after completing a turn.</p>
<p>confusing only in sense that the setup seems so unnecessary</p>
<p>almost hi parked cars in the traveled lane that are parking now, confusion to much going on, no warning when lane stops and parking starts. also biker dont use they are all over shoulder area. never had problem with walkers at this location, to much traffic for for something like this. if concern remove street parking for bike riders, wont solve problem 50% of riders dont use the bike lanes anyway they ride all over just drive the roads, it would be better to make 6 foot sidewalk bike paths than what you are doing. your making it confusing to drivers. we have done so much markings and stuff out for riders its made it more dangerous for all people. some of this needs to be on riders not paying attention you see it all the time, to many people with head sets in and phones, or texting , not paying attention to what they are doing.</p>
<p>Cutting out the second lane of traffic on one of the main thoroughfares through Pleasure Point is not good. The traffic was WAY worse, and the unused turn lanes turning onto the avenues is a solution LOOKING FOR A PROBLEM. Create the rail trail. Put THE RAIL TRAIL IN! Don't mess with Portola.</p>
<p>No signs, difficult reconfiguration, flimsy dividers</p>
<p>You're too busy changing lanes, dodging giant orange "cones" and wavy structures, and taking an additional 5-10 minutes to travel a main artery of travel in the Pleasure Point area.</p>
<p>It created more traffic and was difficult to see and understand</p>
<p>There is clutter everywhere. What is the purple for? Is it art or to protect bikers and walkers? If it's for protection it should be green like the bike lanes.</p>
<p>Confusing signage, markings, obstacles, etc.</p>
<p>The traffic conjection caused by the changes makes it very unsafe. Cars are going straight throught the left turn lanes. Drivers are acting impatient and taking unnasary risks endangering other motorists, cyclists and pedestrians.</p>
<p>Back log of traffic in the afternoon!</p>
<p>Too many merges into one lane. Those wavy things make it all too crowded.</p>
<p>New painted lines took my eyes off the road and were confusing.</p>
<p>they fucking suck. they cause traffic, AND THERE IS ALREADY A BIKE LANE WITH A SIDEWALK, WHY DOES THE BIKE LANE NEED TO BE 20 ft WIDER?!! give us back our lane kooks, u people are destroying santa cruz and making it worse than it already is with these valleys being here. take ur stupid ideas and shove em up ur ass because we dont want them here. i know what other people think about the road, and i garubtee that 80% of people in santa cruz would agree with me. take you ideas somewhere else kooks, nobody likes the portola change. #TAKEBACKPORTOLA</p>
<p>The marked bike lane swerves rather than being a straight line like it used to be. It's less rather than more clear what's the true bike lane. I bike this route daily and it does not feel helpful at all, to be honest. What's been needed is either speed bumps to stop the speeding or the stop sign at 36th. I personally think speed bumps would slow folks down enough. ALSO I walk the route daily as well, I misinterpreted the "event" wording, as I was out of town when it was installed (what I thought the event meant). What would make me feel safer walking is simply slower traffic (not speeding) between 30th and 38th. And people looking for pedestrians before turning right from 38th onto Portola.</p>
<p>Removing the existing traffic lane causes extreme traffic congestion on Portola Drive which increases the risk of potential accidents with cars and pedestrians/bicyclists.</p>

Too much going on between signs, barriers, road markings and adjusting to the changes
Distracting displays on the ground. The lanes are now more congested in an already high traffic area. This is going to cause accidents. This should not stay up for 30 days and should be taken down immediately. Its causing stress on the community.
Too busy, too much congestion happening in a short space. Lots of beeping at other cars I live very close to Portola on a side avenue.
It was all too distracting and confusing and all the cones and signs and paintings were too much
Too many lane changes and stop signs
The new mandatory turn lanes on 36th & especially 38th are unnecessary & confusing. Also, going to one lane at the intersection of 41st does not make sense for flow of traffic.
The temporary left only lane at the stop sign was awkward to figure out. I think better paint and signage would alleviate the issue.
The random lane in the middle of the road and the pointless stop sign.
Vehicles merging from 2 to 1 lane caused confusion on approach for car and bike. Whenever drivers are confused, cyclists are at increased risk.
Not clearly layer out. Visually distracting
Trying to follow new line destinations while try to avoid confused drivers, walkers, and cyclistd
The turn lane is ridiculous. No one knows what they're doing because of this change. I've seen almost 3 accidents from people not properly using the turn lanes because they're new and confusing.
You took an easy to understand 4 lane road and added incomprehensible street markings, arrows, barrels, barriers, less lanes. Totally unacceptable. Even bicyclers were confused.
Lack of flow. Creates an unreasonable traffic jam.
It used to be two lanes and flowed nicely and now I'm getting pushed left and right. Plus it's getting severely backed up. Terrible idea...
the whole thing is chaotic and there are so many cars now, one cannot concentrate on peds and bikes
The delineation between lanes is very confusing and above all horribly ugly. While it may protect bikers, it makes the intersections way more confusing, I don't know why a roundabout or something like it wasn't considered
It's disjointed. you go from two lanes, to one, to two, to one again, back and forth, to gain a minuscule amount of parking. And it makes things dangerous, since people making turns have to do frantic lane changes, merging to unmerge only 50 feet later. The white and purple floral pattern on the road is distracting and confusing, I don't know what it means. It isn't green like a contraflow lane.
I don't understand them, almost hit people
i Live on 38th ave, the worst possible traffic in the world. WE LIVE SANTA CRUZ,CA why would you make more traffic for us...like you must not live here
Way too much visual confusion. Too many lane changes for vehicles. Too much crap to even see bikes or pedestrians. This needs to change back to 4 lanes.
I don't mean to be rude, but they don't seem even remotely necessary for that stretch of road and look very out of place, which makes them confusing to navigate and slows down traffic. They seem more likely to cause an accident than prevent one.
The metal delineators are hazard. The curving shape of the bike lanes are hazardous. What's the point of the purple striped pavement?
Confusing in all directions
The unexpected merge happens to fast at the portola and 41st intersection, the second lane makes little sense, seems it would be better to either make the merge happen further down or eliminate it all together
the white plastic wave things, purple paint, no idea why you can't just pain the bike lane (which already exists) green and call this done.
Very distracting! The unmarked left lane only onto 38th Ave is ridiculous. It's unsafe and unnecessary. The borders for the bike lane and the large yellow/orange containers are just distractions. The traffic is backed up on the Capitola side of Portola in the evenings. The Portola/41st Ave 4 way stop is already a problem but with the new added changes, it's a mess. It is not safe for drivers or pedestrians. The 36th Ave stop sign is a good addition though.
It's distracting with the ugly purple design and the tall road dividers. It's more of a distraction.
The added difficulty of waiting and trying to either merge into traffic or navigating the traffic backup created by the lane reduction.
Too much car traffic pulled into one lane now that you can't see what is happening ahead of you. And when you're walking, the cars are confused and watching the changes and their phones, they don't see you
The merging and turn lanes were confusing
They create bottlenecks of traffic idling along Portola; they make it difficult to turn right into parking lots of businesses; they make it harder to turn into side streets; they are confusing and walking isn't any different than before. And what's up with putting street parking g in between the road and the bike lane? How does that make biking safer? Local residents are noticing huge traffic jams in the one lane areas and people are confused about it so they push to get into proper lane. And it's SUMMER, when there is more traffic coming in from out of town, so you've cut out a lane in both directions in a heavy trafficked area during summer. It's a mess!
Their placement, interspersed with what appeared? to be parking, as well as the right turn only lanes made for a busy, confusing mess. Traditional bike lanes are much clearer.
It looks like a circus...Portola does not need a bike land nor does it need walking space...these already exist? The colors and circus props are very distracting. Why are you taking a lane away for parking? None of the businesses there need parking except for cat and cloud...I don't like the project and the concept has created a traffic jam...I don't support the concept. It was a disaster today. I am hopeful you all will remove it soon.
They were blocking areas that could previously be utilized as parking. It was unclear if we could still park. There wasn't adequate parking in the businesses already small parking lots.
They are horrible
the lanes make no sense some have changed to turn lanes and some are still straight???? I almost hit some barriers because they were halfway in the one lane i could drive in.
The "improvements" make traffic more congested. I ride my bike there all the time. Keep traffic moving. Don't take a lane away.
Waste of space money and time! Causes major traffic. No need to add single turn lanes. Absolutely ridiculous to spend money on this

This is the worst use of a lane in a congested area of town. As a biker and a driver I'm disappointed that any entity would view this as a solution even temporarily.
No clear signs & 1/2 the car lanes
everything it's terrible and a bad idea
Turning Radii for right turn movements onto numbered avenues are too small and will never be able to accommodate large vehicles like delivery trucks, large four wheel drive vehicles, tractor trailers and RV's and emergency responders such as fire trucks and ambulances.
Abnormal and don't make sense
The confusion between going from 2 to 1 lane and 2 again. The lines don't make sense. At some point I wasn't sure if it was a turning lane or driving lane. The whole thing is confusing which makes it more dangerous. Drivers are too distracted by all the random changes. This is a horrible thing, put it back.
It made it so congested for cars, bikes and walking, please keep it the way it was, it was never a problem for walking, biking or driving. The new design is a mess
Left hand only turn lanes made it confusing. Also the one lane made it very confusing
Signage not clear. Removing a lane and causing traffic buildup. Makes it more dangerous for cyclists and pedestrians
Confusing, too many colors and the traffic was a mess because with one lane, you had to wait for everyone to turn into the businesses
Subpar installation and poor execution.
All the plastic things were breaking and confusing. Also all the turn lanes make it difficult to navigate, especially the intersection at 41st. Still feels very unsafe for pedestrians
You people are jackasses. Quit screwing up everything. You are not smart, or virtuous. You are idiots. Get real jobs and stop messing up the world.
The suicide lane has caused some near head on crashes
Increased traffic burden on the community, experienced acts of road rage from other drivers
Too many things going on. chaotic
It's poorly designed and creates a lot of distraction and makes it less safe for bikes and pedestrians. It causes more traffic and I have not visited any of the businesses due to this. Every local I've spoken to is very upset and irritated at this design, including myself.
One lane for the right turn onto Portola from 41st is much more confusing.
They just went up, the streets were painted strange colors, barriers were suddenly there. I both rode through it over 10 times on my bike since it went up and it is more dangerous now than before it went up. Driving was just as bad. I've been cut off by other vehicles who did not know they were in a turn land and did not want to make a right turn. This demonstration project is just a disaster. Please put it back to the way it was.
Made it HARDER to see people and cyclists due to all the EXTRA stuff. Really distracting. Also, if people don't feel safe riding a bike in the street, DON'T DO IT. We make it easier to be stupid! No one looks when they cross the street, no one stops and looks before they cross. Plus, who is going to pay for this? The locals who live there do NOT want this there! It was already a clusterfuck, but now, there is only one lane! Who thought this was a good idea? And why did no one ask the community before spending the money on this lame project. How about we educate people on how to ride and walk safely!
Horribly done and executed! The barrels in the corners? Are you trying to get someone into a bike accident?! It will cause more problems than it is fixing. Looks like a completely unregulated and unplanned mess with little thought put into it. What a sh*t show! Who was this designed by???! you turned a bad traffic situation into a complete nightmare!
There is no warning that the 2nd lane ends and all the drivers in that lane need to merge quickly into the single lane causing congestion and backup of traffic
It is counter-intuitive. There are lane changes and the purple swirls are confusing and poorly designed. A green lane would suffice.
you pay attention to not hit rails on the road and worry less about thee pedestrians
there was no consistency to the changes. There were white markers, then painted ground, then what appeared to be parking spaces? I had no idea what was going on, and found the scattered markers and markings to be very distracting. The lane change from what was once a straight OR turning lane to just a turning lane was unexpected.
NA
Very confusing and even more dangerous as now there is only one lane causing more confusion and traffic! I think it is horrible!
It just looks like 1 big mess
too wide and in the way to make right hand turns - also takes up way too many parking spaces, especially in front of a business. Also dangerous
There is absolutely no need to have the turn lanes. It creates more traffic and unless you know it is they're there people end up on wrong land.
While I see the effort being made in the layout, I don't see the nature of the 1 lanes to 2 lanes and back down again to provide a buffer being used effectively and honestly it felt confusing enough that it could cause accidents. Valid effort but I think it's a solid miss.
the big problem now remains at 41st & Portola, where there are many popular restaurants and bars. The drivers at the 4-way stop tend to fail to identify who should have the right-of-way, leading to frustration and road rage, with a frustrated driver often lurching out into the intersection. That's the danger: the drivers are focused on each other, while the pedestrians are drunk and/or partying and/or children. That's why the danger of a driver hitting a pedestrian is so alarming and so frequently leads to close calls. Beyond that, the sheer volume of pedestrian traffic is so extreme on weekends and hot weekdays that drivers become frustrated and angry even before they get to the first stop in each lane and have to start trying to assess who (among drivers) has the right-of-way. A light would stop drivers from killing or injuring pedestrians as well as stopping never-ending pedestrian traffic from making life miserable for drivers.
The sudden merge lanes, the left or right turn only lanes.
Not familiar with the use of white "matchbox track-like" barriers. Paint the bike lane green as many other cities have already done.

The "treatments" caused confusion both walking and driving creating a far more dangerous situation. AND ridiculous and unnecessarily congestion and traffic delays. This is totally the wrong place for the "treatments".
One of the challenges that I have observed (as a pedestrian and driver) is that people are confused and frustrated with the fact that it has gone from two lanes to one. This is an area with many locals and tourists navigating the roads and it has created a mess. I am a road cyclist and feel safer on Mission St than I do on Portola right now. I also have drove through the Stop sign near Cat and Cloud 3 times on accident because I am used to the crosswalk (alerted with lights) and there is no sign to let us know a Stop sign is there.
Blocking a lane makes my commute way worse and the lanes should stay as 2
A bunch of paint on the road , two lanes squeezed into one one on a busy road . This was not thought out at all. I'm against vandalism but won't call the cops if I see people tearing them down . Stop finding a solution for a problem that isn't there !!
Very poorly explained. Installed with no context. The community meetings voted against inside bike lanes. Pop up never should have been started at 36th Ave. Narrow road should have been continued from 30th. Single traffic lane compression makes it more difficult to pull out onto Portola from the Avenues due to the steady stream of traffic. Businesses are complaining of lost business. Many of us are now avoiding Portola. Pop up is way too busy and distracting making the street more dangerous rather than less. This is a busy thoroughfare, not a rural road. Changing traffic flow so dramatically in a way that does not give any indication as to what the goals of the Pleasure Point plan was very poor marketing. Not allowing people to speak at the open house who had concerns they wanted publically addressed was poor politics. I attended the community meetings and no longer feel the road "improvements" are good. The only thing that got almost 100%, buy in was the three was stop on 36th and Portola, and Public works says it will not stay as it is incompatible with the flashing crossing light. We would much rather have the stop sign. Unfortunately this pop up gets a failing grade.
It backed the traffic up for blocks. I didn't know I needed to get in the left-hand lane in order to just go straight. It's awful please remove it. Put the money making some of the side streets more safe for those of us that walk and bicycle Portola has plenty of room if people didn't park on the street
No posted signage, sudden confusion.
The barriers are distracting as are the markings around the corners at the intersections. Also, more signage is needed in advance of encountering the changes. People get to the new four way stop and either run the stop sign (hello super dangerous!) or sit there very confused waiting on the other confused drivers.
They look in the way. Imagine try to skate on them. 50 grind or may be ollie over them.
Moving down to one lane and the left turn lanes were a surprise.
They are horrible. That merge after 41st ave slows traffic and it makes bikers even HARDER to see because of all the cars stuck there!! Pls remove ASAP. Turning Portola from two lanes to one was the WORST traffic inducing idea EVER!!!!!!
Lines on road aren't clear
I just liked the road how it used to be. The added traffic adds stress to my life
Too much eye movement. Colored corners. Wavy side area, one way turns only. Stop signs. What else could you throw at it?
Seriously difficult to navigate the side streets/ businesses. This whole project is geared for rich dot com dbags who want to change the town into a Google centric utopia
Only one thru lane, right turn only lane. Constricting traffic. Unnecessary stop sign, bewildering purple swirls at corners. I want my taxes back
It was probably not a good idea to have the bike lanes be between street parking spaces and the sidewalk.
There were too many distractions. It is a really bad design. Also totally ugly. More traffic and unsafe to drive on.
Looked unfinished. Confusing.
Why does it merge into one lane, it creates a traffic jam
It is very dangerous. My 17 year old daughter was panicking. It needs to be removed
The improvements were easy to understand. Unfortunately the car drivers were all acting erratically, I think just because things were new.
Traffic jams and bicycling/ pedestrians still using sidewalks and bike paths. Totally unnecessary to install
This is very dangerous and not well thought out. I see more accidents in the future caused by the poor planning from this than any good coming from it. I live down the street and I both walk and drive portola daily and have never in 26 years seen this area of Portola ave this bad.
Are you fucking kidding with this shit? This is the second time I've almost dented my car because of your stupid fucking bike lane hoops blocking the turn from 41st Ave onto Portola. There has never been a problem with traffic on Portola, all that has happened is there is more traffic and it's difficult to know what lane you are supposed to drive in. Take this stupid fucking shit away before I come down with a wrench and take them off myself. Who thought this was a good fucking idea? Un-fucking-believable.
The swirly art and wave stuff was super distracting. The middle lane has arrows going everywhere. The bike lane keeps moving.
Weird combination of parking spaces and turn lanes - very distracting with SO MANY markings and bike lane barriers. Makes it harder to concentrate on pedestrians at intersections.
All of it!!!! It's a MESS!!!! Traffic backed up! It's an absolute NO!!! We need safe trails USE THE TRAIN TRACKS WE NEED A WALKING BIKING PATH AND SHRINKING OUR ALREADY HEAVY TRAFFICED AREAS AND REDUCE IT FURTHER IS IN MY OPINION A HUGE HUGE STEP BACKWARDS! You know what would be progressive???? Turning an already usable pathway the rails into a biking walking pathway! Trains are dead. They are not coming back! We must evolve and that path is already THERE!!!! Use your heads!!!! Stop this ridiculous WASTE!!!! Y'all talk about waste continually... yet you're the county local government ARE THE BIGGEST ABUSERS! Get your heads out of your behinds and use COMMON SENSE for once.
Changing the lanes to turning lanes only and all of the arrows everywhere is very confusing
The painted curb extenders
Markers are not straight forward and too widely spaced
There are random signs the turn lane feels unnecessary and like it shouldn't be there and the new parking spots on the side heading towards 41st are not clearly marked with weird cones blocking them from being effectively used

Multiple lane changes required made it very confusing. Traffic is going to get really bad with these new changes.
The lanes changed and made it confusing to turn
The signs and striping on the ground made it confusing what lanes were for driving and what lanes are for parking. There was a lot going on and it was not intuitive what to do.
What the hell people?!
N/a
The striping is substandard and the purple paint is confusing. How do you call this improving infrastructure when it fucks up traffic. There isn't even that much foot or bike traffic in this area. Most of the pedestrian traffic and bike traffic stays on 41st ave. The county leases are completely disconnected and unusually arrogant. How could any logical thinking human think this is helpful?
Just so random. There's a perfectly good sidewalk for walking and bikes can be ridden easily on side streets. There's just too many driveways and parking lots to feel safe on that road anyhow. Plenty of parallel thoroughfares with less I /out traffic. The sidewalks already feel very safe for walking and the 2 lanes of driving in this acres allow for businesses to be patronized with ease rather than a backup with only 1 lane. Not a suitable area and quite apparent that the community is not going to support or embrace this idea. Focus on the rail trail! That would get bikers and pedestrians away from cars all together! Much safer!!
All those ugly barriers distract from any improvement. Too much traffic so you must be extra careful. It eas better before changes
Traffic pylons were confusing. Everything was distracting and hard to understand. If anything , this temporary setup made things more dangerous for everyone.
Horrible spot for a merge of two lanes and a complete waste of a lane for only turning.
Green should be one continuous green lane, not broken up with green and then white "Bike Lane" and then green again. Just make it green with the white "Bike Lane" text on top of the green.
It is way more distracting while driving with huge cones and white waves things and all the paint on the road. It looks like an art project, nothing about it is safer.
Traffic back up, reduced lanes, inability to merge or turn onto Portola. Waking and biking in the area wasn't an issue. If it ain't broke don't fix it! Terrible!
Signage
The barriers didn't feel like barriers. They looked like someone could drive right through them. They didn't appear to add any real layer of safety. And with the wave pattern it made it seem even more unbarrier like they are distracting
Sudden change to one lane was unexpected and dangerous
The curving design seems destructing. InsteAd if directing my vision towards the intersections it made more worried.
I was used to portola as two lanes, the weird white wanna be waves were confusing and have been knocked down. It looked more like parallel parking was going to be installed vs walking and bike lanes. Change is not necessary to make walkers or bikers more visible or feel more comfortable if anything theyre just now more in the single lanes because they now feel they have more room. If anything its been more dangerous
Turning on to Portola from 38th was confusing and seems dangerous.
They are very confusing and distracting
To much going on and hard to drive and navigate all the changes. Traffic backed up at the intersection of 41st and Portola was terrible. Just a light would have been better. Stop sign at 36th is a great addition
The middle lane, which allows vehicles to turn into businesses where used to drive straight to pass. The turning lane at 36th Ave heading west, caused angry drivers to just continue straight after the longer wait times from the stop at 38th. The purple markings at the intersections are confusing.
Little to no warning that you are going to have to turn right in the right hand land. The striping/parking delineations are confusing. I cycle and drive a car down this road frequently, and I don't think this helps at all.
Thought it was trash that had fallen from a truck at first
It is a complete mess - the bike structures make blind spots and block views. Total chaos and back up of traffic. This main roadway should not be dictated by a few people who don't even live hear. Take down early!!!
Changing to one lane from two, adding turn only lanes was fine but need more warning for motorists if possible. Signage earlier so drivers don't pop out of these lanes to avoid turning.
Wavy things are just distracting. Merging down to one lane makes it more difficult to notice/pay attention to bikes and pedestrians.
Signage is unclear and the wavy things are super distracting. It's not clear where they can turn and it blocks up traffic. In my opinion it's a terrible design and someone is going to get hurt.
The parking in the number two lane is horrendous. The new traffic cause by funneling two lanes of traffic to one now has to stop in order for the car in front of them to parallel park in the new parking spots. The center (double left turn lane) is too long. Cars wanting to turn left from Portola to 38th Ave are using it to by pass the cars waiting to proceed straight. The increased traffic in the neighborhood streets adjacent to Portola has increased significantly, including myself. I don't mind the separation of the bike lane from the vehicle traffic, but the alteration to the traffic pattern is not an improvement.
Too much going on!!!
There is a lot of visual noise going on, like the dazzle camouflage they used on boats in WWII. Maybe locals would eventually get used to it, but what about all the tourist traffic. As for the extended pedestrian lobes, I've experienced those when they were added in Downtown Sacramento and they were fine. The ones in Portola are a little too generous and make driving through and turning difficult.
To much purple color and all the hard ware on the road is very distracting when you are in a car

Green, white, silver, purple??? Totally confusing, and ugly. Should stick to one or two colors with clear signage. I walk, bike, and drive this street everyday. It added stress to all parts of the street experience. As a walker and biker, I felt more of a threat by confused motorists. As a driver, I was frustrated at the added traffic because of losing a lane. As a daily user of this portion of the street, I found no need, and no benefit to this configuration. SUGGESTION: I think the results would be better if there was ONLY the green and white bike lane.
The white metal waves and the second lane was removed and causes more traffic.
Too much traffic back up
everything
too much going on to take in while cycling
Bottlenecks two in into 1 lane. Stop signs where never were ones. Ugly safety barriers that make the road like playing on a bad miniature golf course.
There are too many structures up - the white barriers, purple striped crosswalks, orange cylinders - IT'S CRAZY MAKING! SO CONFUSING!
To many cones, colored lines.
I have lived in PP for 20 years and always make it a point to watch for walkers/bikers, but I was am distracted trying to figure out where I should be driving I have no time to watch for other road users. It is not clear where parking should be. The "waves" are attractive as a sculpture form but not make sense as road barriers. Turn lanes are not clear and people are driving straight in the lanes marked for turning. The paint on the roads looks like graffiti. Not a fan.
Too much going on visually which is distracting. A permeant installation might be better.
They take a travel lane away. Why, pedestrians have the sidewalk and bikes are vehicles. If you can get written up for drunk driving on a bike then they are vehicles
I've almost been in several accidents there because people get so confused and don't know which way to go or are in the wrong lane it's very dangerous
It is visually crowded and confusing. The wavy metal barriers are not so easily seen. It seems too much to look at. The large barriers almost seem to be too far into the lanes. The narrow area of 2 lanes into one seems too short.
Way to many orange barrels, woopy doopy wave things parking spaces where they are not needed etc... bike lane painting on the ground is cool though
It was confusing for drivers & cyclist all kinds of congestion on the road hard to navigate
I've lived here for several years, so of course I'm used to using the lanes as they were before the changes were made. It was surprising and confusing to find the two lanes abruptly becoming one on westbound Portola just past 41st. I have a cargo bike that I use to cruise around town with my two kids. I've never had an issue or felt unsafe in this section of Portola. While there wasn't a designated bike lane, there was plenty of room on the shoulder to stay safely out of traffic until we need to turn left on 26th Ave. It was difficult for me to see the benefit of the new layout. This area can become congested with cars as it is, especially this time of year. Reassigning a lane on either side to turning and parking respectively (assuming I interpreted that correctly) will only exacerbate the issue. As a frequent cyclist with kids in tow, I am for a safe and bike friendly East Side, and I feel as though we've had that. Any change to increase those qualities can't come at the expense of maintaining the flow of car traffic in our tourist heavy town. Thank you for considering my thoughts on this issue. I feel sure there is a way to solve this so that pedestrians and cyclists feel safe and seen without causing extra traffic and frustration for drivers.
They lack clarity and honestly look so strange.
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The lane ending and all the extra traffic
Very distracting. Too much going on. Too much traffic for a single lane going straight.
lanes merging, terrible idea especially at the intersection of portola/41st. watching out for bicycles, walkers and cars is impossible. Someone will get hit for sure!!!!
The turning only lanes, and why the backup in traffic "improves" transportation.
Too busy! Super distracting and very confusing! You actually make it more dangerous cuz as a driver your focusing on the colors, contraptions and roadblocks and not on the bikers or walkers
Because it was a temporary change the striping on the floor was not very visible and it was hard to tell what was parking. The changes from two to one lanes were also hard to see. Also the turns into driveways for business were difficult to spot with the giant orange cones
Lanes end abruptly, turning lanes exist for short spurts
Odd colors and not consistent with other bike paths throughout county
Nothing
If you park your car in the "new" parking spaces you have to cross the new bicycle lane to get to the sidewalk. It creates a confusing clash between pedestrians and bicycle riders!
completely non standard markings, confusing and congested
Lines purple paint large orange bumpers and wavy white things very sloppy and haphazard you need to hire a professional to lay out a job like this it is not for the untrained to play with
Confused
It looks like children installed it. Specifically, the road painting looks like it was done by 1st graders. Thank god it's not permanent, it's an embarrassment to our neighborhood. I've worked construction for 17 years (with Caltrans) and I wanted to meet the foreman who signed off on the road painting, and confirm that they actually think this was a professional installation/effort. It was not. We can do better. Also, way to make road traffic 10 times slower Accriss town.
Drivers entering and exiting businesses were confused about the barriers and the lanes and the different colors and seemed to just hope for the best and go rather than yielding as they usual do. I think installments should be on safe bike routes (with fewer cars) rather than in busy commercial areas with good biking near by (brommer, east cliff, etc)

The cones and barriers are haphazardly spread out, there is almost no warning that the lanes are ending, and it's is confusing to navigate.
Poor visibility short merges and more traffic
The lane merge and turn-only lane weren't clear until sometimes it is too late
very difficult to navigate.
The weird white metal things and the purple painting on the corners the faded turn arrows
It's so congested and confusing that is makes it hard to navigate.
Does not make sense to have the turning lane only for streets that are not utilized as much as Portola itself.
Everything about it was confusing and made traffic worse and made the entire area feel unsafe and frustrating
You have giant orange cones blocking visibility you have white arches blocking visibility you have more stop signs then necessary you have four lanes merging into two lanes, creating a backup of traffic
to busy, drivers confused and angry, saw a near miss accident
They're god awful, don't tell you when lanes are just suddenly ending and funnels traffic unnecessarily.
cars cutting others off to get in to the lane
The purple and varied (non CAL TRANS) road colors and barriers were distracting -- impacting driving safety while trying to understand, negotiate traffic flow / regulations. Aesthetically displeasing, suggested closed road to traffic, bottleneck. No alerts prior to approach--road does not lend to mix use. Suggest standard bike lane green strip and removal of the wavy barrier between road and bike lane.
Hard to maneuver the street, traffic unnecessarily funneled into less lanes and create traffic
N/A
JAMMING TRAFFIC INTO SINGLE LANES!
Changing traffic flow from 2 lanes to one lane with a turning lane is confusing, unnecessary and is causing more traffic and hazards. Portola already had sidewalks for pedestrians and bike lanes for bikers.
People still speed down Portola, even with the new Stop sign at 36th Avenue. A better improvement would be to put traffic lights at 41st & Portola. It's congested with pedestrians that can't figure out how to cross the street, skateboarders, bicyclists that don't follow the rules of the road, and very impatient drivers.
Stupidest thing for Portola dr
There are two lanes but only one was for going straight. It was very confusing and frustrating and seemed to cause way more traffic.
Too many dividers and cones. What is the deal with the purple?
Some lanes ended rather quickly/suddenly.
Take a look at the solutions in Copenhagen. There is a raised bicycle path next to the sidewalk, it is clearly for Bikes. This flimsy solution installed is a waste of time and money.
Very quick merges. Lots of lines on the pavement.
NO signs POSTED to say what is happening. PS WE locals pay to be served and protected as a commUNITY which can't improve current conditions with more BIKE paths as tax payers MUST strongly consider basic needs like FOOD & HOUSING protected
barricades and lines
Drivers were frustrated by delay and confused about reason
Ridiculous use of street when there is plenty of room at the sidewalk. Need 4 lanes on that street!
Just distracting obstacles that reduced the flow of traffic. The obstacles further reduced the flow of traffic. The road was originally well planned to carry the forecasted traffic needs. The planters on the road had already been installed and we're not taking into account. The barriers provide a false sense of security. The intersections became a nightmare.
Could not understand the purple black concret barriers. Did not like the awful bike barriers.
It is so congested and too much maneuvering. Leave things well enough alone. We use alternate routes just to avoid this hodge podge - what are you thinking?????
Very ugly. I never see ANYONE walking on Portola. Lived here for 50 years. Please take this abomination away. You ruined the experience of driving there.
Too much going on, orange cones, white waves, purple and green markings.
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You have made cars merge and the right turn from 41st to Portola is unsafe as you have to swing very wide to get into the second lane. You have tree's in the middle of the bike lane/area? Traffic engineers would not allow what was proposed. There was already a fine bike lane. Traffic now is unbearable as I had to go through the shopping center to get to 38th as the line up was past 36th and there were people fighting to get onto Portola from 36th. This is a mess and we shouldn't wait. There will be an accident over this upcoming weekend - and that's going to be on this team. I could foresee a lawsuit.
There was too much going on. Very distracting and less room for me to drive since it moves to one lane. Another car not paying attention almost hit me when he merged into my lane.
Unnecessary stops and traffic
They seem unnecessary and cause a lot of traffic, especially with the left and right turn only lanes. The whole street is a lot more confusing, especially for people unfamiliar with the area and therefore adds a danger to pedestrians and bicyclists.
The lanes being reduced is not necessary and causes confusion and chaos with drivers, walkers, bikers, and skateboarders.
The number of lanes is changing from 2 to 1 to 2 to 1
n/a
I didn't know what was going on. I thought someone was doing a weird street art project.
With no prior notice of change, taking away a preexisting lane and adding a stop sign, caused mayhem. I've seen alot more close calls with cars and bikes, aggravation in drivers causing cutting others off, and motorcycles almost going down due to the paint in the street throughout a turn. All people were getting on their way perfectly before.
Everything re: the lay out

The construction type barriers make blind spots
Too many signs and cones and white plastic things and new lines on the street. It was hard to know what to pay attention to in the .05 seconds you have as a driver. If it were permanent with regular lines on the road then it would probably be less confusing. I did enjoy it as a biker and felt safer with cars less close to me.
There were too many elements to take in - paint on streets, wavy white things, large orange cones, and signs. Unsure what was a parking spot, and what was a driveway spot.
Lost one lane traffic
2 lanes narrow to 1. Right turn lane at 36th caused back up in lane proceeding north. Didn't "flow" well for such a short distance of road
They were terrible. Super confusing. Cars passing and using the left lane as a straight lane still. Portola needs 2 lanes on each side!!!
Very "busy" and visually distracting. Requires cars entering roadway from driveways and side streets to merge quickly and change lanes unnecessarily. Causes traffic to stop in a single lane while another attempts to back into a non-curbside parking space. This ToonTown approach actually takes the driver's attention away from and increases the risks to bikers and pedestrians. The ONE POSITIVE change appears to be the placement of a STOP SIGN at 36th Ave.
Too much congestion on Portola to pay attention to pedestrians on that level
Traffic flow. Confusing colors and designs. Crowding traffic for few bikes and walkers
Not enough notice and signage so cars were making last minute lane changes and paying more attention to that, taking away attention from bikes. One person knocked a bike lane divider right in front us while trying to park which made us nervous on bikes
There was no lane merges, and people are having a hard time figuring it out, I've almost been in multiple accidents.
There is a lot of traffic now and the barrels on the corners of each street make it difficult to make a legal turn. It should be noted that when taking the drivers test they clearly tell you to go a bit into the bike lane when making right hand turns. Those barrels obstruct that. Not to mention many have been knocked down making them a hazard.
purple paint unclear
poorly designed and conceived jumble
Too busy. Need to just get the rail trail completed ASAP to get bicycles and walkers off the street.
Wavy white bars were visually confusing. The elimination of one of the lanes on Portola caused traffic to get backed up in both directions.
Too much going on, on the road. Distraction while driving. I also walked it abs biked. I think it's horrible for everyone.
1. So much traffic backup as a result of the confusing lane markings and land closures, that concentration to understand what was going on made me completely take my concentration off of any bikes or pedestrians... I do NOT suggest this experiment to be repeated.
changing of lanes several times over the course of 2 blocks, Bicycle lanes are not safe due to poor road conditions, drivers are being attentive to their own veh operation not a bicycle behind waves and cones.
They were visibly distracting and unsightly. A horrible addition to a historic street.
white markings not clear, arrow signs not clear. No alert that lanes are merged
Lanes would quickly go from one to two and vise versa. Suddenly it would be a turn lane. The center lane is dangerous with cars in the opposite direction would suddenly want to use the center lane too causing a head on collision. I will definitely be suing the city if I get in a crash due to these horrible conditions.
Since it is only a few blocks there is a lot of confusion getting into and out of the test ares. It is also hard to know when one can turn right or left.
It is extremely visually distracting on a busy street. I do ride a bike also and would not feel safer. Just paint the bike lane green. Adding another unexpected stop sign also is another added distraction that clogs the street. If pedestrians need to cross the street add flashing lights, beeping sounds, and a crosswalk like Capitola Rd. Put a stoplight at Portola and 41st instead. The wavy dividers look foolish and are they reflective? Please do not make these changes permanent. The street looks tacky and creates more hazards than it reduces for cars, pedestrians, and bicyclists plus it is annoying.
Using one lane instead of two then there is a decent bike lane? I love the experiment. I'm a bicycler. But I don't see jamming up traffic for the elaborate bike lanes and turns etc. Strengthen the present bike lane with new paint. I like the direction! Just not this version.... David
difficult to see through the confusing markers and lanes.
When driving the barriers are to close to where you turn so you cannot pull next to curb for a right turn. California code. The new stop sign is not needed. The single lane disrupts traffic flow and left hand turning way more then when 2 lanes each way. On a bike, east bound riding between the curb and parked cars is less safe and I am less visible. Also in the morning, delivery trucks take out half the remaining single lane to unload. These "improvements are a joke. And what is with the purple corner paint? Street art. Again it is not code.
More traffic , distracting.
Caused traffic congestion like I have never seen
I think that these types of barriers are a direct nuisance to vehicle traffic. They will eventually be run over by vehicles making this project a waste of resources. They also take away away valuable parking parking that is needed. The bikes do not need a whole lane of traffic in my opinion. Just a bad idea.
Colors, design, structures all very, very distracting and unsafe. Tons of traffic and felt stressful.
Lots of distractions
The design. It distracts from driving because it seems like it's road work or some event happening. It feels like they could fall over in the road or get knocked over easy with a car or person. No one in the car liked it.
The whole damn thing!
To confusing to much to look out for, to busy with signs etc. cluttering when trying to navigate
It seemed messy and confusing — too much drawn on the roadway and small signs. I do like the metal things marking the bike lanes.
Taking up too much of the road, the big orange cones are practically on the road, why is it one lane when there should be two

The green and purple bullshit on the ground, give us back all the lanes!!!! You are making another 41st ave with all this traffic. Knock it the fuck off
Everything about them. It's awful
Scared me more while biking, and on foot. Drivers weren't very nice.
Badly positioned and just seems confusing and bulky
Where turn lanes end and begin. Cars cutting over and often in front of others. It also in my opinion and others too I've spoken with, is that it is ugly eye sore. And useless. 27 yrs living on 30th ave. Using portola daily multi times, I've seen no issues this it's suppose to address. And we ride our bikes often. Walk our dogs. We have had no issues. Had more issue with dog parks before separation of sm. and lg. dogs which was much needed, appreciated and well done. This road improvement is not needed thus not wanted.
The traffic
The barriers are confusing
Lane changes, added stop sign, and inside lanes only left turn causes more traffic
It looks like a halfway done construction project. So unclear about what's happening. So unnecessary. Such a waste of time, resources, and space.
I was totally unprepared, turning into and out of 37th Ave is nearly impossible during one way bumper to bumper traffic. I'm older so it makes me want to stay home.
The barriers for the bike lanes or odd. It's not clear right away what they're there for. The bike lanes need to be expanded. He need to take out the planter barriers with the trees and open them up. I have seen a couple of close calls because people are confused about what's happening. I live at the point and I didn't have any information prior to this event happening. It is ugly. The artwork is not attractive. The changes seem confusing , Distractive and potentially dangerous. The Santa Cruz Sentinel article made it sound like many people vandalized. I don't think that's true. So here I am voicing my opinion. It would've been helpful if the neighbors had known that this was going to happen and we really had ability to give her input. Not everyone subscribe to the Santa Cruz Sentinel.
Not a lot of warning leading up to lane direction i.e only a small window of time to move in/out of the "turn only" lanes.
only one lane . left turn lane for cat and cloud. too much traffic.. stop sign there is a good idea tho
They are crazy! Too busy and distracting. I think they will actually cause more harm than good because new (tourists) drivers will wonder what the heck is going on and will look at those railings and not at the road. Most importantly, Santa Cruz needs MORE traffic lanes to ease our choked streets, not less. It is not 1907 anymore, and we need to accept we are a bedroom community to Silicon Valley, AND a full time resort destination for them, too. Traffic here on HWY 1 and on surface streets is jammed from 2-7PM and all weekend. You take away those extra lanes on Portola and you are just inviting another awful commute zone for tax payers who work hard to afford to live here and pay our taxes. (see how irritated traffic makes us?)
Orange cones everywhere, cars getting backed up not knowing what to do. Lanes ending every intersection making everyone change lanes rapidly when they realized their in a right turn only. Why change something that's not broken. This is only confusing everyone
The temporary treatments look confusing. They are a distraction from driving.
Poor signage, broken parts, bad workmanship. This is easily the poorest quality "test" I've ever seen.
What is confusing is that what has been done to Portola is considered an "improvement" rather than vandalism. I have lived in Pleasure Point for 16 yrs and I also mostly commute to work via bike. Portola never feels unsafe on a bike or foot, not unlike Mission or Soquel, why didn't you focus on those areas? So much traffic now, odd parking spaces. Some of the line work is off, looks super tacky for our neighborhood too. No input from the actual residents, shame on you.
They're so pointless and a waste of tax dollars!
Just seemed way to busy, wave things, large delineators, signage, lane changes to continue straight at both ends of project.
It is confusing that you would choose one of the busiest streets in the area. Why make the bike lane a part of such a traffic heavy thruway? I suggest you divert bicycle traffic away from areas that are "commuter" and "crazy tourists" heavy. Doesn't seem like you really want to promote bike use.
We need two lanes moving in the west direction and also two lanes moving in the east direction and we absolutely absolutely do not need a turn lane for left hand turns
Very confusing not very well thought out
it made no sense to make it one lane i had a bunch on unnecessary traffic
They are out of character with the other traffic control things in the area/county.
Reducing to one lane
what are those white things? they are a distraction. are they for locking up bikes? This just feels wrong. It will compound traffic congestion and it is so confusing. Please leave it as it was. I could see bikers and pedestrians just fine. I never had a problem parking in this area.
Traffic backed up. The normal thru lane was turned into a turn lane and confused everyone. The purple "pedestrian" area was confusing to all. The bike lane separators caused a lot of confusions md made me feel less safe on my bike since all the cars were pissy.
You have shit everywhere now its just too much going on and honestly makes accidents more likely.
It's a absolute joke. Whoever decided this was a good idea seriously should not be in any sort of position of power. Leave the stop signs at 36th and Portola and take away the rest. It's atrocious
The bike lanes are distracting but not terrible, the extra merging makes driving the area way more challenging. I have already almost been in one accident due to the new confusion
Absolute chaos. Distracting; congested; car exhaust pollution for cars backed up; lanes reduced from two to one. Completely nightmare. Residents here on Pleasure Point are extremely upset with the changes. And who dreamed up experimenting with this idea in the middle of summer with the most visitors. Whoever dreamed up this nightmare should be recalled. No sense of reality.
it doesnt make sense to have the right lane to be a turn lane only it is going to make traffic worse. it is a terrible idea you should take it out before july 21st. if i knew manu was going to do stuff like this i would of never voted for him. what a huge waste of money and time.

This is the stupidest idea ever..makes driving more dangerous....
What the heck are purple and black swirly areas?!?
odd shifts in lanes and ludicrous backups at stop signs
The traffic and one lane makes it more difficult to navigate and actually distracts one from bicyclist and pedestrians.
The stop signs coming from 41st to 36th are confusing, especially if you are a few cars back and do not realize the whole left lane is now a turn only lane.
Lane narrowing coupled with center turn only lanes
Is a serpentine? Or just painted to try to make it look different. Very confusing.
There are too many and the added traffic is horrible
The color and the congestion on the roadway were confusing.
Not realistic
The turn lanes are not labeled very well. The barrels at the corner make it difficult for right turns.
they closed in the road and made it more confusing
There are all these new turn lanes and there is literally no one using them enough to close a full lane. Was a traffic study done? Because at 5:00 I was crawling all the way to the stop by Pleasure Pizza. I use Portola to have a leisurely way to get to Aptos for an appointment. I was frustrated and it took me twenty minutes instead of ten. People were frustrated because then the lanes open back up people were speeding. This is terrible. We have so little in this town as far as getting away from traffic. Portola is my go to ,as I live in Seabright. I am grateful that I am able to have an enjoyable drive as an option. Not anymore apparently.
This is a huge traffic jam distracting drivers from safety of pedestrians and bikers by navigating a terrible and unnecessary plan for a short area that doesn't actually help anyone.
With all the purple color and the white traffic barriers and orange thing in the middle of the road....everything is horrible.
Random added stop and the "barriers" added also giving bicycles a whole lane is over doing it
I think the clear green markers for bike lanes are great. However, the barriers make both motorists and bikers make extra effort to stay away from hitting the barriers. This takes away from the real attention on looking out for the actual objects to avoid hitting on the road, cars, bicycles, people, etc.
They are ugly
Everything
Didn't know When to merge
They are extremely distracting and obstructive. Not to mention ugly! These will cause accidents and have caused a lot of frustration.
Putting all the thru-traffic in the left lane creates a huge quagmire.
Switching to decrease auto lane, felt two lanes is going to cause traffic back up
No common sense with the flow of regular traffic
Barriers
There is too much going on to pay attention to made up directions. It makes it harder to concentrate in an already busy stretch of road.
The lanes just abruptly merge
A lot of unusual objects were used that I have never seen before and it was very confusing. The funneling is very awkward and nobody seems to know what to do.
It is the biggest mess I have ever seen! Awkward to navigate! Flimsy construction! They are already starting to fall apart!! They are useless and waste of tax payers money!
I strongly do not like them because I felt they are distraction ,make the road more narrow, and negatively impact the look/feel of the point/Portola Road. My family and I as well as neighbors are anxious for the removal. We honestly feel it's an eye sore,and takes away the charm of our neighborhood.
Too much traffic is not good for anyone on a bicycle
I was used to having two lanes on portola so it was confusing and frustrating
As a driver, the changes make this stretch of road very confusing and I am more distracted trying to figure out traffic flow of cars, thus I have less awareness of bikers and pedestrians. The constant lane merges and parking pull overs are very confusing. I live on 34th and bike for transportation and much as I drive. I do not feel safer as a biker or a driver.
It was confusing with the parking
Backed up traffic people cheating the lanes. Parked cars.
Appears disorganized, major traffic congestion, unsightly, people are irritated & driving irrationally
Developing new insignia and markers for bicycles and pedestrian is totally confusing. Why use purple swirls instead of the standardized green lines? That causes confusion.
Why don't you drive down the street and figure out why it's confusing. Oh ya your people didn't grow up here and you don't work at a low paying job that you have to commute to using this through fair
The signage, the traffic it created
There are too many random temporary signs and distractions - the white wave barriers, the orange barrels, the weird purple paintings on the street. The traffic has doubled due to the one lane each way. It seems more dangerous for both drivers and bicyclists. Parking was removed on Portola and so now the burden is on the residential parking. The other day I saw a couple bicyclists riding down the driving lane instead of the bike lane. My advise is to hire a new designer because this temporary installation was a huge fail. A huge waste of our tax dollars.
The very poor quality of stripping. The ugly and cheap looking bicycle barricades. Very poorly thought out!
There was so much going on all at once, it made it hard to focus on any one thing. Yes sidewalk space is limited (speaking for 38th Ave section, but it doesn't feel warranted to make the proposed space extend so far into the road. There cycling wave gates forced drivers to make a hard 90 degree turn into Portola, which felt awkward. The stop sign at 36th is a MUCH needed addition.

The purple paint was confusing at first. Also the mobile bollards on the northwest corner of the intersection of 38th ave were placed in a way where it was awkward for a bike with trailer to turn right.
Way too many distractions! The cones, bike barriers, paint, and lane changes all combined together create a distracting, confusing, hazardous, area and created traffic congestion. No beneficial improvements as drivers are so distracted by everything and having to focus on not hitting barriers, while making sure they are in the correct lane of traffic direction they don't have capacity to even look for a pedestrian or bicyclist. I saw bicyclist riding in the traffic lane with the cars not the bike lane because they were even confused by all the distractions of cones, paint, and variety of barriers. Creates way too much traffic reducing the lanes to one lane and creates a unnavigable pathway for emergency vehicles in route to an emergency. I have no idea how busses or delivery trucks in their size can make their way through this as well.
Placement of the dividers and very narrow entry and exit path to businesses on the roas
There was too many changes at once
It's already confusing enough, now it's like a circus built by babies.
They look like obstructions...also hard to bike next to, or cross street.
Looks like a Circus truck drove down the street dumped a load of painted barrels and hoops. The painted street looks like bad graffiti. Overall the design is too busy and ugly. It is a big distraction just going through that area. Simple bike lanes would have been enough. Driving through is a backup nightmare. I'll be cutting through the neighborhoods to avoid the area until it's taken down.
you have taken a major artery and gated it down to a quasi one-lane road; you have blocked general flow of traffic; you have made awkward turn sections for driveway/business entrances. This is an accident waiting to happen. You've now made driving along this major thoroughfare a hazard as you try to navigate a sudden lessening of one lane, and awkward bike lanes, included new random parking spaces. It is a MESS. If you want to make it safer for pedestrian traffic put in the green marked bike lanes and put in real sidewalks - do not keep it the way it is. total nightmare
The bike lane waves and narrowing Portola Dr down to one lane to put in a turning lane down a residential street. Like there's nothing commercial that way, so why the arrow? Get real, what were those simpletons doing?!
Too much going on. Harder to see pedestrians and cyclists.
Converging traffic from 2 lanes to 1 lane for no apparent reason was confusing. An additional stop sign that was unnecessary was also confusing.
They were distracting to drivers as they catch the eye but their purpose was unclear.
Too much going on. It doesn't need to be that micromanaged.
It's just so much more chaotic and too many barriers It wasn't a main walking area anyway and just clogs up the streets
The bollards had all been moved out of the way due to the vandals.
The traffic is horrible. I liked the bike lanes but it's HORRIBLE to reduce down to 1 lane each way
Too many colors, swirls and metal loops. Huge distraction that makes bikes and pedestrians LESS visible!
Backed up Traffic. Angry Drivers.
It's confusing because the road was working perfectly. Plenty of room for parking and for bicycles and for four lanes of traffic. The only problem with that stretch is at 41st Ave. where there should be a roundabout
The street keeps switching from one lane to two then back to one. I was almost hit multiple times on foot and in my car by confused motorists
I think the design of the barriers is visual complicated and unfamiliar in form and is not easy to understand at first glance.
You have the letter P on some of the Orange barrel barriers suggesting you can park there.
unnecessary traffic backup with no walking/biking benefit... pls stop
2 lanes now become 1 through and 1 for turning; confusing
The barricades and addition of car parking make it a nightmare. It's difficult to drive. It's difficult to know how do use the turn lanes. There are cars traversing the pedestrian and bicycle ways to park. It's 1000 times more dangerous than it was.
Did not no what all the different colors meant. Was not able to access the business's between 37th and 38th
The left hand turn lanes at 38th Ave appear to expand the lane giving drivers the temptation to use it to dash across 38th Ave to continue on Portola instead of turning.
The entire construction is confusing and haphazard. It creates unsafe conditions for pedestrians and bicyclists. It causes severe traffic congestion. Having cars park on the outside of the bike lane is hazardous, unnecessary, confusing, and, quite simply, idiotic. The plastic wave-shaped barriers are ridiculous, and the purple and pink art (I use the term loosely) is an eyesore.
I have lived on Portola my whole life. The obstructions are causing road rage and make it harder to see bikers. I've skate boarded Portola my whole life and the obstructions are a nuisance and a safety hazard. Please remove them. Portola was fine how it was before.
The abrupt lane merge with no signage on 36th Ave caused numerous last minute lane changes, multiple cars cut me off. Also, all the cones and wavy dividers were distracting and impacting the street.
The change has created confusion among drivers as well a drastically increased traffic. This change is horrible. I live on 30th and biked on this road at least a couple times a week. I did not feel unsafe prior to the changes. Post changes the road is not better for biking and walking but significantly worse to drive on. There are only a few main roads that take traffic in this direction and the change impedes that flow. Thanks his unacceptable, traffic is already a major issue in Santa Cruz. Additionally, the changes had made it very hard for traffic from the side streets to safely pull out onto Portola. This is dangerous! The lane changes are not intuitive and create confusion for motorists. The combination of increased traffic, difficulty of side street traffic turning onto Portola and confusion from the always lane changes creates a situation that is more dangerous for bike and foot traffic. I am now avoiding this area on my bike because I no longer feel safe. These changes need to be removed! Put the lanes back to how they were. You may leave the metal barriers on the bike lanes, while not needed are a sunk cost at this post. This was a waste of time and money for something that was not needed. Bikes and walker already frequented this road. I travel this section of Portola often as a resident and I and here to say this change is horrible.
Very strange to have short lanes only turn left or right but then a lane again in the next block. There are sidewalks and rom for bike already on Portola.

too many lane changes
Who came up with this? Worst traffic idea ever! Constricted flow of traffic! Created more hazards!
While driving car traffic was more congested making it hard to concentrate on the bike traffic
Whole set-up looks like a middle school prank. 2:30 pm on a week-day cars backed up 3 blocks eg.41 st turning left on portola. Lived in the neighborhood 40+ years. A nightmare, I avoid the total area, to get home/shop/ect. take Brommer to access Portola by 7-11. UNFIX ASAP !
Portola is a car road, if I'm riding my bike I just go over a street so I can see the ocean and there is extensive bike infrastructure, I live right on Nova so I can say I know the area well. If you want bikes to be safer maybe choose a place where bicycles go and cars speed, Portola isn't that. The traffic has become extensive in the afternoon and our town needs less of that not more.
Traffic congestion
It's cramped and narrow making driving scarier. It's confusing and feels dangerous. Too much going on and distracting. I've walked, biked and driven through the area since the installation and feels more dangerous than before with all 3 modes of transportation.
The area is not safe for bicyclists. Kids may use the white barriers as a slalom course.
Tree roots by the curb are unavoidable in the constrained bike lane. The pavement should be smoothed to avoid forcing bikes toward cars to when avoiding tree root raised asphalt
The cars parked in the middle of the lane. Can't even see the bikes. All those right hand turns are ridiculous!
how is a motor vehicle drive supposed to yield to a turning bicyclist?? the bicyclist is supposed to stop at intersections where there is a STOP sign
It looks more like graffiti than anything else
First, The bike lane is exactly the same size, and most bike people don't stay in the lane or stop at stop signs. The large orange canisters are horrible as they are placed where drivers need to be able to turn. What was perhaps considered as a feasible concept to create a SAFER environment for Bikes and Pedestrians (while making in insain for drivers) back in 2018....with the amount of traffic we have now is absurd! Right up there with, Hey how about making hwy 1 a ONE LANE road, how would that be, yes crazy! The Better improved lineage and separation between bikes and cars (the little white (fragile) decorative addition along the bike lane.....is fine! However the single lane is absurd, and to add to it the idea that with single lanes to have a vehicle try to stop and parallel park....is absurd! most young drivers never even learned how to.
They're not confusing.
Too much going on, new stop signs, lane changes to force turns to the right, too much traffic due to lane reduction and other drivers swerving lanes and not stopping at the stop signs. Keep as it was.
Just more distractions
I drive Portola daily, yet the modifications are hard to sort out and confusing. I imagine it is much more difficult for one unfamiliar with Portola. Forcing a lane change is, in itself, dangerous and distracting. And, in my view, for little or no gain. My wife also walks our dog on Portola from 38th street to Corcoran and sees no advantage to these changes. They are also ugly and distracting. I would suggest removing the ASAP.
Minimizing lanes in a growing populated area isn't a brilliant idea. Just adding to congestion. I don't really understand why we couldn't keep two lanes, and then add the bike rail to the already existing bike path. The parking now is so confusing and the merge from two lanes to one is causing traffic.
Inconsistent striping, lane configuration, paint color.
No yellow lines
Difficult to distinguish bike lane from street
It's not marked clearly enough. The driver in front of me tried to leave the driving lane and merge into the slow lane, which is now a bike lane and then nearly hit me to get back over. On our way back the road was backed up so far everyone was angry. Angry drivers do not make for safer driving.
Ugly, distracting, nuisance to traffic pattern, stupid idea, waste of time and money.
It makes no sense why you would reduce The car traffic to one lane on the busiest street
Visually confusing. Not clear what lane to use.
There is no need for all of those extra turn lanes. Tons of drivers kept moving over to the right lane before realizing it was a right turn only and having to merge back in. Just totally unnecessary.
There's too much stuff all over. Drivers are going into the right turn lanes in order to go ahead of the drivers in the straight/left turn lane. All the barricades and signs and road painting is so confusing that I am distracted and don't pay as much attention to pedestrians and bicyclists. The whole thing has been so distracting that I haven't even driven down Portola since the one time that I did. There is too much back-up now, too. I hate it. It's overwhelming.
Tons of congestion caused by heavy traffic onto the main thoroughfare. Too many colors, lane modification, installation create an information overwhelm causing confusion.
Unclear what lane you should be driving in. The new turn lane feels like it is a traffic lane. Most drivers seem very confused.
Nothing made it confusing. A safer area for the bikes is a good idea however splitting lanes and causing more traffic is not.
Couldn't figure out where cars were going. Felt unsafe
Too overwhelming to navigate.
Physical barriers were disconcerting. Difficult to access businesses along Portola. Congestion of vehicles made it more dangerous. Markings on street were confusing.
Too busy trying to navigate the line changes to notice bikes and pedestrians. Visually confusing.
The lane reductions and pop-ups made it impossible to determine if it was legal and safe to enter and exit parking in front of Portola Ave. businesses. It was a great distraction to driving, making it less safe for pedestrians and bicycling.
Vehicular congestion. What a mess!

The painted "islands" are very intrusive and push bikes into the lane and cars into dangerous turning angles. It's very poorly planned and executed. One of the worst ideas of road management I've ever seen
unclear; unnecessary; block local business which has just managed to survive through a pandemic
Exiting parking lots is now much more difficult due to cones and turn lanes and causes more car traffic. Truly an awful design. Turn lanes are completely unnecessary when people could previously just use the left lane to turn anyway.
The lane reduction is confusing. Traffic Turning onto Portola from side streets is dangerous as they have to pull way out and go around the items added. There is too much traffic on this road to have 1 lane in each direction.
The left turn lane onto 30th is terrible idea. Traffic on Portola is worse now. Portola is NOT a pedestrian / bike avenue, its a corridor for cars to get from one side western sides of town to Capitola. There is safe walking and biking already with existing bike lanes and sidewalks. This small section of road should NOT change, unless these changes will extend more than 1/2 mile, like all the way to Harbor and all the way to New Brighton. This is a solution looking for a problem.
Traffic congestion
Right turn from 41st to Portola seemed odd, looks like 2 lanes but too quickly goes to 1. Either make it truly one lane (preferred) or make a longer merge going from parked cars on your right to parked cars on your left adds obstacles difficult to figure out
I know it was only a temporary trial but it seemed haphazard.
People using left turn lanes as thru lanes and then having to make quick right into thru lane - very dangerous and idiotic.
Try actually driving and living in this neighborhood. What a POS idea
yes
Very disorganized and silly
It is very distracting
Na
Lane ending/becoming turn only lane -- w/o warning.
The whole thing is a joke.
The abrupt lane changes make the focus more on driving than anything else.
All of it
the merge lanes and turn only lanes are frustrating and create confusion and traffic
The lane that was changed to right turn only at 38th and Portola wasn't labeled well. It's also a horrible idea that is going to cause congestion.
So much stuff around and lane changes make it very confusing
not enough warning for turn only lanes
Slow lane ends abruptly I like the stop sign at cat and cloud I hate the new congestion The whole thing makes me want to drive on other streets which probably isn't fair to the people who live on 32nd
it's totally strange and leads to general confusion and as a result drivers are driving erratically. As a pedestrian I witnessed 2 near collisions with cyclists.
Traffic is reacting unpredictably and causing serious safety issues.
It's difficult to understand what the benefits might be, given the far more significant issue of traffic congestion. The downside of forcing cars into a single lane all but buries any possible benefit to cyclists and pedestrians in this particular area, IMHO
TRAFFIC TURNING RIGHT OFF OF 41ST AVE BACKED UP TO LIGHT AT Capitola Road. VERY POOR DESIGN
The creation of daily traffic jams on both Portola and 41st.
not sure which lanes to use as traffic was backed up
We're trained as drivers to recognize certain cues, hazards, etc. NONE of the new additions apply to driver training and it's confusing to know what is even going on.
Poorly marked lane closures.
you removed two full lanes of traffic for literally no reason. that's confusing as hell
The suicide lane in center and the turning lanes. ...the whole thing is terrible creates traffic and I've seen multiple near accidents. Please put it back to the way it was before. I feel less safe and it creates unwanted traffic delays
the entire design is extremely hazardous to everyone car, bike or foot, poorly thought out and unsafe
It's all unnecessary and there is no warning signage. An awful idea!
Several new lines, arrows, cones/hazard items in road. Also a lot more traffic because 1 lane now and center lane added. The congestion is just as bad as 41st now.
Way too much visual stimulation too much chaos very different it needs to be more simple not all crazy artistic I felt like I would crash if I happened to be elderly but I'm not but it was still hard to navigate get rid of it thanks 36 years I have been going up and down Portola it was fine the way it was big waste of money
too much stuff going on! My god, you guys really made the street difficult to maneuver and confusing.. way too much going on. Scared me to even turn the corner. Take it all down..!!
Cars looked like they were parking in the road. Made pedestrians/bikes harder to see.
Installer's (?) cars were double parked, driverless in right eastbound traffic lane on Monday, 6/28 at ~10:30 AM. Plastic waves looked very dangerous to cyclists according to my 30+ years of bicycling Pleasure Point experienced eyes. Pop up did years to set back drivers acceptance of cyclists. Fire all consultants who did not actively oppose this travesty.
the turn lanes, the large purple temp barriers would never work you can't make that sharp of a turn. Take me over 15min to get to my home street from Portola. total back ups causing road rage and lots of honking
changing all thru traffic to one lane and dedicated turn lanes very confusing and caused congestion. the barriers made lane feel too tight
Why are we making L and R turn only lanes?? Especially at a 4 way stop...? It bottlenecks and creates traffic :/

I couldn't figure out what was going on or why. I assumed it was road work, since I saw what appeared to be new lines being painted. But something looked amateurish or wrong about the road work. The wavy things were very weird, I thought maybe they were stencils for the line painting, or just temporary structures for lane closures. The driving experience was delay, but also unlike normal road work. It seemed chaotic and unorganized.
Are you kidding me? Everything about them is counter-intuitive. These proposed changes make no sense, defy logic and, most importantly...are not needed. They may have looked good on the designers' computer screen but, they are so distracting and difficult to make sense of...definitely makes it more dangerous for cyclists.
Why turn a two lane road into one?? It's retarded
This design is so disappointing - it is *not* what locals want to see: The purple is unclear and confusing as it has no logical explanation that one can infer. There's also overlapping yellow lines making it confusing and messy.
The turn lane appears/disappears. I'm not sure when I'm allowed to enter. Also was confused by the blocked off corners.
First, the parked cars make it dangerous when pulling out of driveways, because I can't see around them. Secondly, I could see bicyclists having problems navigating around the giant cones and whatever you call those plastic lines or ropes.
Lane changes were not necessary two wide a right hand turn blocking traffic in the left lanes while turning right Slowing down traffic in all directions because of change Please remove immediately Or remove Manu ASAP
Bad planning, poor layout, meaningless delays, unnecessary traffic jam, high accident potential. Other than that, they are a childish fantasy.
Not getting a heads up to the changes. But I worked out very well
Colors on the road and wave installments were distracting from the actual road lane markers meant to direct you in such a short stretch to respond to them
too much stuff, distracting
All of sudden which used to be a #2lane is known a right turn lane that has no markings..cars all of a sudden parked in the #2 lane which used to be a straight lane.your messing with the flow of traffic there was nothing wrong with the way it was!!!
Created more traffic. Didn't make sense to shut down a whole lane so you could turn right. I have seen it cause congestion on more than one occasion.
Navigating this section of Portola was like playing a bad video game. Too many distractions, too many colors, too many changes. It actually felt more dangerous because I was paying attention to all the zigs and zags that I wasn't paying attention to pedestrians and bicyclists. The stop sign at 38th became interminable. Many drivers were frustrated and jumping their turn. The section between 26th and 41st is a heavy commercial area, unlike the other sections it needs two lanes in both directions to allow for traffic to flow. The stop sign at 36 is working and appreciated.
Traffic build up was frustrating and the new changes were confusing trying to figure out how to drive safely.
The separation of the vehicle lane from the bicycle lane is good, particularly for the cyclist. However, the graphics, lane reductions, pylons, and basically everything beyond the white wave delineators is distracting, and confusing. I live in the area and I'm distracted and confused - what about the poor visitor. Improved separation of vehicles and bicycles is safer for all - the rest of it invites confusion and perhaps accidents. Since the installation I avoid Portola. I now use Brommer as my travel corridor as does the rest of my family. If that was the intended result, it worked.
Taking a two lane corridor with an already ample bike lane and condensing to one lane is misguided. It creates more congestion in an already traffic heavy town because of horrible planning during the 70s. Additionally, the white curved structures and road paint designs are distractions while driving and make seeing pedestrians and cyclists more difficult.
Poor visibility, cars going in and out of lanes
Difficult to drive and bike on
Its an art exhibit in the street. Its a busy visual effect which is distracting. And, turn lanes that have a full lane straight ahead of them dont make sense. Furthermore, horrible car traffic is not, back ups, are far from appealing. Whats wrong with good classic bike lanes like elsewhere? I know why people are frustrated. Cars sitting in back ups while very few if any bikes or peds are visible.
The whole bike lane is a mess. Keep the Stop sign, everything else is garbage.
More focused on what I needed to do with these changes than peds or bikes
Part we're up part down confusing which driveways we're open closed where was parking? Just generally confusing
Lots of weird parking, lines everywhere, suddenly only having one lane, dangerous merging, many of the additions are distractions
Every aspect. The lanes narrowing, the loss of a lane, all the markings on the road, those hideous white things - so dangerous for bicyclists! Saw a kid hit them.
Too many bottlenecks. The turning lane from Portola onto 38th was confusing. I dislike the entire concept. It created enormous amounts of traffic. Traffic leads to emissions and if we are truly an environmentally consciences town then this was a poorly planned concept.
How poorly it was designed. The right lane becomes a turn only lane with no signage. After driving this way for several days I would just stay in the left lane. But at the end the left lane becomes a left turn only lane requiring me to move back into the right. Overall it's confusing and messy. One could get used to it with time. It is inelegant. It will no doubt cause chaos with the tourists who are already struggling to find their way around in an unfamiliar city.
Confusing and ugly
Felt like you had to change lanes multiple times. It wasn't clear when a lane was becoming a turning lane.
The traffic is awful takes double the time to get to work. Already have to fight through tourist traffic this added in makes it so much worse. I understand a need for more access for tourism but locals need to feel appreciated and heard as well. I understand some people choose to walk but as someone who can't walk 10 miles each way to work everyday it's a major pain.
n/a
The whole bike & pedestrian is a mess One lane for cars has back up of cars on 41St,38th,brother st & other surface street very dangerous with back up of cars in all directions hard to get out of various shopping centers

Did not understand what was the point except confusing.
They look like bike racks
Too much going on. Wavy barriers do not make me safer as a bicyclist. Purple curbs not well designed and thrust larger vehicles into oncoming traffic lanes on right hand turns. So much to look at everyone is distracted and less safe.
Entire project was confusing
Spiral paint, white plastic waves, big orange trash cans, less and super hard to access street parking. What doesn't make this ugly mess confusing? Slowing the traffic to a full time jam is not confusing, just sad.
Way too distracting & adds more traffic to the flow. Extra stop sign is annoying.
Everything about them made it all confusing and difficult. This is a situation where there was no problem, and now there is. I've biked that route in the past without issue.
Too many obstacles. And visually distracting. The new stop sign was difficult to see. The changes created more traffic and felt dangerous. Made it more difficult to access businesses. Made the road look like Disneyland.
Not confusing or useful
Too much going on. It's confusing
Extra objects to be aware of in the roadway. Pedestrians less noticeable. Lane changes confusing.
Too many distractions with the additional barriers.
Right turn pockets, wavy designs, curvy route, backed up traffic
The white metal and black and pink paint is distracting. I foresee more accidents and traffic congestion.
Not clear if some turning lanes are optional or mandatory.
Its made traffic jam in that area, its not good for anyone cars walking or bicycling. its hard to manipulate through the area, and its not made anything any safer. i saw a walking couple almost get run over by a bike with a trailer. just made everything worse. How about a roundabout at 41st and portola. thats a real improvement.
Everything about them. Took away from concentration driving. This road left too narrow for traffic corridor
Too many different changes to navigate. Instead of a predictable consistent navigation each of three sections of each block has different structures! One section two lanes but one lane turning only, then next section one lane & awkward parking in the other lane & awkward turns into the stores along Portola makes it too complicated & not in the least bit consistent. There is a huge rarely fully used parking lot across the street from Cat & Cloud with signs posted 'no cat & cloud parking' and now one lane of Portola outside Cat & Cloud is designated for parking, why not just allow Cat & Cloud parking in the large lot across the street. I find I now will drive on Brommer & avoid Portola & I don't think that was the intention.
They actually block too much of the view and concentrate cars in only one lane. I ride my bike at least 10 times a month often to Rio Del Mar from Live Oak but normally ride through East Cliff. Very rarely do i ride on Portola. It doesnt seem like it would be helpful for me, especially since it is only within a few blocks 41st.
It's is a absolutely terrible design! Biking this new setup feels very unsafe and to top it off, reducing driving lanes from 4 to 2 lanes is pissing drivers off. I was verbally assaulted when I was on my bike through this area by a frustrated driver. Having experienced the same frustration while in my car trying get down Portola I knew exactly how he felt! Please do NOT make this change permanent!! It does not make any sense from both a biking and driving perspective!
All of it. I am cyclist, commuter and a long time resident of Pleasure Point / Live Oak This was the worst execution of a simple idea if seen in a long time. There's already a clear bike lane and a generous sidewalk. The only thing accomplished was increased traffic congestion in an already impacted neighborhood. If your interest is bicyclist safety, paint the lanes green as dozens of other cities have done with well documented success.
Once we figured out the new parking spaces it was great. If this is made permanent those spaces will be much easier to see.
The extra fancy frills are very distracting, confusing and dangerous. They will cause more accidents than prevent. Planter boxes and trees would be best. One lane is so dangerous and its actually creating more pollution.
What lanes are just for turning
If the a slurry seal covered the old markings and the new ones were in two coats of paint or thermoplastic, everything would be more clear a damn mess
They are not well marked/identifiable... they just come out of nowhere and it looks like someone threw up random ugly construction items in the middle of a rather normally peaceful and obstruction free area. They imply too much without being clearly functional.
N/A
Too much jumble going on, unnecessary turn lanes.
There's way too much going on. Your eyes are then fixated on all those pieces and you do not see the cyclist or the walkers that are you in fact see them less
All drivers were confused. No one knew which lanes were going where, cars were merging all over the place, slowing traffic down. People were forced to turn off Portola when you could tell they didn't intend to. All the commotion made s driving the road much more stressful, and definitely not any easier to focus on bikers and pedestrians. The orange things are ugly, and the wave markers look cheap. It looks like someone drew with chalk on the ground to give it a pop of color. Portola was one of the easiest, least-traffic roads in town, and with the installation it feels jumbled and tight like other streets.
The installations and changes to the driving lanes slowed traffic and were very confusing to figure out where you can drive and where the lanes were.
going from 2 to 1 lane forced me down a side road
It's a huge change/ shift in thinking for drivers who are expected to instantly adapt. Meanwhile, bicycles and pedestrians seem to have little protection from confused drivers. It's a fatality waiting to happen!
Too many changes. Bicycles and pedestrians mixed together suggests collisions will occur
Use of non standard barriers. Chalk paint on corners is confusing

The colors were undefined, the cones' purpose was not explained nor warned...merging, etc
Exactly very confusing it was fine how it was a 2 lane road!!!!
Way too erratic and confusing, the treatments are at handlebar Heim don't crank height and make it dangerous for cycling. The congestion caused to cars makes them very aggressive and angry further putting cyclists and pedestrians at risk
There are too many things happening in a short space, there are left turn lanes only where traffic has to merge, there is a new stop sign, and too much paint and infrastructure added. It's just too much for anyone to keep track of and too much going on. In addition it causes a big bottle neck for cars and causes heavy traffic. This traffic makes it hard to pull into driveways ex: the liquor store. Traffic gets backed up in front of it and the cars trying to turn in cannot. I for one have driven on Portola 4 times since the changes and have been stuck in traffic every time no matter what day a week or what time a day. It's terrible! So I avoid Portola now as much as possible. Bottom line- too many changes. Stick to one thing, like maybe just the bike lane and eliminate all the single lanes. Add cross walks with the lighted signs for pedestrians. I hope things are changed back soon.
not confusing, just cause more traffic
Poor installation of lane markings
Way too much going on. Leave it as it was. Too much distraction makes it even more difficult to see pedestrians, bikers and other cars. Keep it simple and leave the road the same as it was.
Too distracting
there's these lame barriers and lanes that end due to turning lanes. Clogs traffic, just install speed bumps instead.
going back and forth btwn one & two lanes.
Way to confusing, structures and paint colors never seen on roadways. Very difficult to understand what is going on while driving. Much more dangerous for the pedestrian.
Too many cars being routed to one lane makes for traffic jams and people are impatient and get frustrated with the wait time.....not a good idea as out routes are over crowded now...
incredibly confusing. This arrangement is trying to do much. Please change back to the original set up.
What is the weird purple striping even mean and why are there blocks in the road. The white loopy things are distracting and make me feel like I'm running into everything
Driving/lane changes were not marked well and people were not using correctly
The large orange barrels are overwhelming...The purple painted corners are ugly...Could have spent less with more attractive barricades...also could have used more neutral colors at the corner/sidewalk areas.....The 38th ave. corner looks 3rd world or as if it is under repair...
Non standard painting, shapes, poor lane reduction. New stop sign using a terrible location. All items in place were visually distracting..
This is very poorly thought through. Switching traffic from two lanes to one lane the way that you did it was nonsensical and confusing
the whole thing is confusing and causing traffic jams
perfect
Everything
It makes no sense.
The visual fields looked hectic with lines, barriers, arrows, two lanes merge quickly into one, dedicated left turn lane that does not seem necessary that clogs the right hand lane.
Turn lanes
That whole idea is ridiculous stupid unnecessary impractical and a very poor decision change it now
Too much to try look at ..distracting
Too much visual stuff. Very confusing.
they are too large and obtrusive
It looked like it was being set up for a street fair. It was unclear that there were single lanes and barely room for left turns onto 38th.
this is completely ridiculous
Constant changing of lanes, dangerous.
Poor signage, damaged raised barriers obstructing the bike lane. Was just fine with the painted green stripe and no fixed barriers. Traffic turning right from Portola across "protected" bike lane is a new additional hazard.
It makes everything more congested. People take the "right turn only lane" as far as possible then cut back in. It's rude and cause more aggression on the street! This idea is a DISASTER!
Very frustrating
No ADVANCED warning that the right lane is gone. Unsuspecting drivers get trapped in the right turn lanes then are forced to turn right into neighborhoods or try to navigate back into the straight-thru lane. And what are those purple markings??? Spent more time trying to figure out my path than what was going on in the bike lane. Traffic was backed up. The right turn lanes are silly, far more cars go straight. How about spending time teaching bicyclists that they are required to follow the same rules of the road as drivers? They need to stop blowing thru stop signs and going out to pass with doing a head check. Everything, it's horrible, confusing and almost caused me and other vehicles to crash. Will cause accidents
The changing of lanes and curves made one have to spend more time looking for lane markers and signs as opposed to watching for bicycles or pedestrians
People not reading the signs and being in the wrong lane. Confusion on which lane to use!
Uncommon traffic control colors that I didn't understand. Too much traffic backed up made many anxious and in even more of a hurry. Very dangerous. I hope nobody gets hurt by confused & anxious drivers
Obtrusive so your not paying attention
Too many new things at once. Major frustrating traffic backup. Maybe would work better with traffic lights or roundabouts, but there were long backups at stop signs, even at non traffic times.

Too complex
You have to change lanes 3 times going in one direction.
The paint faded quickly making new unnecessary driving lanes hard to see. People don't need to stand in the street to cross. (The purple marking)That's stupid. There are already bike lanes the barriers aren't going to protect anything. The stop sign at 36th is great!! It's all you need
A new stop sign. Confusing to navigate from two lanes to one lane then back to two lanes.. Makes more traffic. It backs up quickly with the limited lanes. It disrupts the flow of traffic both for bicycles and vehicles...
too much color, too many obstacles
Too much going on!! The cones, purple/pink hideous paint, green paint, white wave things, arrows everywhere - it looks like a mess. It was so confusing to know where to go. There were cars all in the wrong lanes and honking because people were all in the wrong places. It made me as both a cyclist and pedestrian more scared because cars did not know where they were going. I think that there should be NO change to current portola drive because the new changes make it less safe for bikers and walkers. When you add so many lines, cones, paths, arrows, etc. everyone gets confused!!!
There is no need for right turn only lanes. It causes more traffic for the majority of the cars which are trying to go straight.
Sudden turn lanes confuse drivers, Saw many blowing through stop signs or speeding forward to avoid having to turn at new lanes. Hard to focus on new bike lanes when your trying to figure out where you and others are supposed to be. All this within a couple of blocks. Ugh!
Random colors, spacing and reduced lanes makes it a bottle neck and sidewalks and bike lanes were already in place
too much going on. Didn't know what was happening.
They just confuse the flow of everything. They create traffic where there wasn't traffic. They're absolutely RIDICULOUSLY stupid and this project needs to END.
Other than the new stop sign all of the turn lanes and merges are frustrating and I am a local. I can only imagine tourists driving will cause accidents. Coming home from work has been a nightmare the merging is sudden and the traffic backed up from people trying to get over once they realize it's a turn lane or just plane blow through it. The new stop sign is the only thing that works also the bike bearers are flimsy and take up space in the bike lane. Who ever planned this out better have there planning permit revoked.
Very hard to understand what the goal is while trying to concentrate on driving safely. Poor plan with no instruction on how to navigate.
The way I have to change lanes on 41 in order to go straight after the intersection
too much going on in a tight space! Distracting and anxiety producing
No warning ahead of time unfamiliar markungs with no signals or instructions, what are the white strips of plastic for? The whole thing is a confusing mess. Why not use standard signs symbols an imagery that people understand?
The colors painted on the road are distracting, confusing & unsafe!!!! The physical barriers and Lane reductions Interfere with first responder safety and the ability to pull over if you're in an accident
The intersection of Portola Drive and 41st is already a dangerous intersection with bikes, pedestrians, cars, trucks, skateboarders, etc. We do not need more confusion with the white "art installation" along Portola...especially near this intersection. Driving is difficult enough (particularly for seniors) and this unnecessary distraction just invites a disaster. The first thing taught in defensive driving training is to be alert to distractions. We don't need to invent more distractions for Portola Drive.
Placement and colors bad
drivers are not understanding
restricting to one lane in this area makes NO sense
As a bicyclist trying to move into the left hand lane to make a left hand turn from Portola onto 36th, the curved "wing" barriers were UNNECESSARY obstacles that made moving from the temporary "bike" lane into the left lane VERY dangerous. Bicyclists do not want to stop at the 36th Ave stop sign, get off their bike and use the crosswalk to cross the street! Since East Cliff is one way between 32nd & 41st, the only practical way to travel west is to use neighborhood streets between Portola and East Cliff, beginning at 36th Ave. Whoever designed this mess seems to have forgotten that BIKES also need to make LEFT turns and occasionally use the traffic lanes to do so.
they were not confusing...they were not user friendly for driving, which also seemed to make them less safe for bikes/walkers. When making a right turn from Portola onto 36th, the orange bollards force one to swing so wide that our vehicle, a full size surf van, has to swing into the right hand lane on 36th. Not workable when a vehicle is in that lane. In addition, the changes seem to make Portola more complex to navigate, which seems less safe - distracting for drivers. But often there are none or very few bikes/walkers. Not quite sure why we need these changes.
all the signage, the temporary loops narrowing the lane.
No clear or defining ways to navigate. Also VERY distracting.
lanes unclear and backed up
You suck
It's like an obstacle course or a Disney car ride.
Had to find a way thru neighborhoods to navigate where I needed to go. Disrespectful of neighborhoods.
unclear signage, lanes make zero sense
Too busy,weird and confusing. Other drivers were confused. It took forever to get out of a parking lot because drivers were confused and driving strangely. I saw a driver almost turn into the driveway that I was trying to exit and stop abruptly because bikes were coming. There was just too much going on.
N/a
1. There were too many new features to distinguish any intent. It felt and looked like a street under construction 2. Usual bike lane upgrade symbols (green paint, arrows, and bicycles were not apparent in the bike lane.

I was too busy trying not to be hit by other cars who were confused by this "improvement". This whole setup is ridiculous! You turned a well flowing roadway into a incredibly confusing and traffic binding mess. Cars trying to pass, cars confused as to what lane to turn left/right in, ect. PLEASE remove this "improvement" and put the roadway back the way it was.
The metal barriers are distracting
Visibility was difficult
This is a nightmare to navigate, traffic backed up all over the place, give us back our Portola Drive, do not restrict the traffic pattern.
Too many distracting signage, having to navigate the changing lanes/turn lanes.
Everything, the colors, the structures, the lanes going from 2 to 1. Traffic backed up and the colors and structures were very distracting to pedestrians, bicyclists and automobile drivers to the point it became dangerous.
Traffic congestion at 41st/Portola and 38th/Portola. Your traffic/road needs to take his head out of his arse. This was horrible design.
It's ridiculous! Makes no sense! Who thought of this BS and who paid for this!! It makes no sense ! It makes a huge car back up and more dangerous for bikes ! This needs to go ASAP! Make a round about not this ridiculous artsy crap!
They are not improvements because they are restricting access for automobiles, causing frustratiion, and hazardous driving conditions!!!!!!
Colors. Weird shapes. Orange cones blocking road
They are distracting
Why they were there. This experiment was developed in a vacuum and not very well executed or communicated. Any thought, Manu?
not needed
Turn it back to 4 lanes in each direction.
People (bikes and car) seemed confused and it made it more dangerous.
They're distracting. Your Just trying to navigate the road.
Not used to the one lane only and it's just the pitts, hate this freedom
The obstacles in the road that guide cars are actually creating unsafe crowding of cars making collision likely. The bizarre colors painted on the corner crosswalks is inappropriate and distracting. There is now a STOP sign where very few people ever cross. This is confusing and totally unnecessary.
Counterintuitve
Turn and parking lanes near cat cloud are just stupid
NA
I felt they were distracting and it slowed traffic.
Broken portions. Unclear intent and function. Not a reliable barrier; not a safety feature as promoted.
I drove out to Portola specifically to see the project and I didn't even know I was there when we got there, I thought we were in a construction zone because of all the cones.
It's so unnecessary to make them a one lane road. Too much traffic goes through that area and everyone keeps confusing the turn lane for a regular lane causing more traffic at the stop sign when they try to merge back in at the stop sign. This was a horrible idea. And it makes getting an ambulance through there way more challenging. This was all together poorly planned
The vairous distactions block line of sight and cause extra lane changes.
Two lanes into one focused on road more then peds and cycle ist
Two lanes into one focused on road more then peds and cycle ist
Unusual purple and black colors painted on the pavement were confusing. White wavy plastic was also confusing. Would have been much clearer and easier to quickly understand if standard temporary bollards were installed. Very apparent on the weekend that constricting traffic at the corner of 41st and Portola created long lines of traffic congestion, confusion and backups for cars turning onto Portola-were they supposed to drive over the purple paint or not, confusion for pedestrians and cyclists to know when the cars would or could turn. Overall an exceptionally poor 'experiment'. Especially since this is a known congestion intersection. We could see drivers getting frustrated from our vantage point of the outdoor dining area for Cliff Cafe.
Horrible and unsafe design.
I've been riding, walking, driving portola my whole entire life and the changes from two to one lane does not make any sense for the traffic. The turning lane on 36th made it extremely confusing and caused even more traffic. As a driver, the stop sign of 36th is the only the that made some sense to me, but with no turning lane. As a bike rider, I've never felt unsafe using the bike lanes already there. I would walk my bike across the 36th crosswalk and cars would stop for me right away. Doesn't seem like a logical/safe change.
This is absolute garbage. It causes nothing but extra confusion and traffic. It makes the area more dangerous to walk / bike/ drive in. All this work should be ripped out immediately. We residents in the neighborhood are absolutely outraged.
Having to switch lanes back and forth requires more attention. This leads to less attention for possible bicyclists or pedestrians.
Too many changes in the same spaces. Barriers and on the street lines etc.
They are everywhere, very cluttered
The new installments make the street feel more congested, and confusing to navigate. I also don't feel like this is needed in this area of Santa Cruz/Capitola. However, I do think this is something that would be VERY helpful and IS needed on 17th avenue between Del Mar Elementary to Live Oak Elementary. This street is VERY busy at all times of the day, and there are several kids biking/walking to and from school and this is something that could provide increased safety for our children. Next year I'll have one child going to school at del Mar and another at Live Oak Elementary for their Duel Emersion program, and we could absolutely bike to school, but I choose to drive due to safety concerns. If there was increased visibility for pedestrians/bikers, I would 100% choose biking to schools instead of driving. please consider this as an option because I think it would greatly benefit the Live Oak community. Thank you!!

<p>This has created nothing but a mess. This seems like a very confusing way to cause more accidents. It's bulky, it causes a huge distraction more than it helps keep bikers visible and most pedestrians use the sidewalks anyhow. The new stop sign has people confused and I've already seen multiple accidents almost occurs because everyone is confused. It's an eye sore, it's unnecessary and I think installing this stuff will only cause a huge traffic jam on the busier Santa Cruz days. Please just leave it alone and keep all this to areas where it's useful and not chaotic.</p>
Unclear
The driving lane that is now a turning lane
to many obstacles were distracting
The entire project is confusing . Especially the lane changes
What the heck are these people thinking. There are plenty of other great places to ride a bike. This is an important road for traffic. What is the point of this which only runs a few blocks?
All the crazy paint was confusing and distracting. It was not clear what was going on and what it was supposed to be for. The waves made it extremely hard to navigate store fronts and more difficult to see clearly on coming traffic and ped/cycle traffic at the same time especially if there were short people or low bikes
Why would you make one lane go into a neighborhood? With the double lane at 41st, this is the stupidest design!
Too many cars not using the lanes correctly and creating unnecessary backups
Waves and big purple painting in corners were super distracting
confused locals and visitors alike . the installment is visually distracting and unnecessary . i believe that the frustration it causes could actually increase danger to pedestrians , cyclists , and motorists
Arbitrary changes to a well trafficked road
Way too much going on. Too many shifts in traffic patterns. It was very unclear where to be and how to navigate safely.
the size and shape are too confusing
Couldn't tell where it was trying to send me to go
Too much stuff to look at!
It was surprising to see and the temporary test was strange. Hated it.
The strange color markings (purple and black), had no idea what they were representing. Same with the orange barrels.
I saw cars driving in the new protected bike lane to turn into driveways. It is not clear or safe.
So many signs. Right turn only lanes confusing.
They are visually confusing, therefore distracting. Bicycle riders did not stop at stop signs.
Can't tell when lane ends, congested
Too many distraction from the road
Ingress & egress for businesses and homes. Also they are confusing and very distracting for drivers. What if someone falls into them? They present more risks to more people than the benefits they might give to the few. Not the best solution.
The installation is more like an obstacle course compared to the original street layout which was clear/clean and easy to navigate with clear visibility of pedestrians and cyclists.
Visually busy and confusing. Signs all over the place distract from seeing bikes and cars
It felt overwhelming with the pop up structures, new lanes, new arrows on the road and driving through there for the first time at night.
The divider to separate cars and the bike lane was to low to see when making right turns from 41st or 38th Ave onto Portola. Therefore I was super concerned that I would hit this divider. Others must have had the same concern and that's why the large Orange Barrels were placed at the end of each divider.
Looks like a construction zone designed by a committee. That is not a compliment!
The change of lanes with some being right turn only and some being left were confusing and not well marked. There are already sidewalks in that area so it doesn't make change walking and as far as biking most people take east cliff drive not portola. I rarely saw bikes using the lane. Driving lanes ended abruptly and i found myself in more dangerous situations because everyone was confused. I've lived on 26th for 10 years and I am very unhappy with the changes and do not support this installation
Jut-outs, arbitrary-seeming curves and lane changes.
The turn only lanes and the short merge after a turn
Not confusing, but hard to navigate.
Change was without warning. Merges are short, traffic through this area is often high and one lane is not sufficient to meet demand
It's already a busy corridor, by adding more obstacles and squeezing down traffic to one lane it's gonna create more of a hazard to all who use Porrola Dr. on a daily basis. There are already sidewalks and bike lanes there, don't add more congestion.
The lane coming from 41st has you pull into the far left lane, then into the right lane onto portola. The next stop is for the left turn lane, but people challenge eachother to merge after the next stop. The additional stop in front of Cat and Cloud isn't necessary. Pedestrians are already stopped for and noticeable. I waited in traffic for 3-4x the amount of time at those stops from normal amount with the two dedicated lanes.
There wasn't enough warning that EVERY SINGLE right lane would become a turn only lane. I had to merge back into the snarl of traffic at the least minute, it felt hazardous.
You can see the old lines. The left turn only are faded so people are ignoring them
Absolutely ridiculous. Sticking way too far in the street at 41st and Portola. Causing more congestion with the stupid lane Reductions and such. Get Rid Of This!!!
The added cones and bumpers or whatever they're called. I found them to be more disruptive and distracting than helpful
The size, the color and placement
The intent of the white wavy barriers and large orange cones is not entirely clear. Obviously, the wavy barriers are to protect cyclists in the bike lane, but it isn't clear if it is okay to park parallel to the sidewalk curb in those areas. The large orange cones are meant to represent bulb-outs, but that isn't obvious to most people.

They take up too much the lanes we need in order to drive. I have been a cyclist a walker and a driver on this street for years. And not a leisurely cyclist. I have found myself weaving into the road instead of actually using the barriers to protect me. It just makes everything worse. Bless your hearts, but it doesn't work.
The lane for parking was not easy to see as that. The purple paint to make the right turns for bikers more visible pushed drivers into the new center turn lane.
No room for car to navigate various barriers and cones. Lanes become too too too narrow to drive around.
People didn't realize the right lanes heading East were turn lanes until it was too late. I witnessed a driver swerve around a car stopping at the new stop sign at 36th ave. He apparently didn't see the new stop sign and blew right through the intersection. If a pedestrian had been crossing they could have been hit. I haven't taken a drivers test in a while but not sure what purple cloud shapes painted in the roadway means? Did you make that up or is it a standard roadway marking. The traffic backlog is much worse. If you're intent was to accelerate global warming I say good job. Adding to commute times doesn't help.
Too close to the corners. Hard to see where to turn. Hard to navigate on the road
The
Two lanes mowing to one. Dedicated turn lane that are poorly indicated.
Take them down
Purple stripes and white waves r really distracting. Payed less attention to driving. Looks like a Doctor Seuss project. What a joke!
Hard to figure out where you can turn into businesses; wavy looking barriers were very distracting.
Everything is So distracting, I can't focus on any one thing. It's a huge safety hazard
Too busy. Visual overwhelming
To all of a sudden come up on parking spots in the lane that you're driving in isn't every a good idea. This causes much more traffic and problems than it ever had before. Take it down.
The road is for DRIVING! Sidewalks for walking. Have merchants remove outside tables and return those places for parking. ESPECIALLY Capitola esplanade!
Design, color, proximity, space, traffic. It made the road smaller and more difficult to navigate. The street parking is an eyesore for motorist as well. What he hope to see is TRAFFIC LIGHTS and PEDESTRIAN FLASHERS to make everyone safe.
too much stuff going on to notice stops signs and lane merges
They are a distraction and confusing when approaching turn lanes at intersections. Very poor execution.
They are very obtrusive and confusing
Backed up traffic, weird
The boundaries are very haphazard and annoying. Right turn lanes were confusing and utterly useless. One lane for this stretch of heavily trafficked road is just stupid! Getting to 41st Ave shouldn't be this slow or difficult.
Their existence
Traveling from a two-lane road to a one-lane road in a short amount of distance is very difficult and unnecessary
This temporary installation has caused to much traffic and congestion on Portola that it has made the area even more hectic. It makes it hard to pay attention to any bikes and pedestrians when you are trying to pay attention to your right of way on a packed and backed up street.
When first driving with the new changes it was difficult to understand the changes especially the lane closed off for the pedestrians.
It's a cluster and confusing. Now we we have traffic backups!!!
Everything. Changing a roadway after decades of it being one way is confusing to long term residents and caused more hazard. Cars were all over the place trying to avoid turning right, obstructing both road and bike/pedestrian path. I can't imagine routing traffic down neighborhood narrow streets makes anything safer. This is ridiculous
The purple swirls are not intuitive at all! I was distracted, trying to figure out what they even meant and all of a sudden the lane merges. WHY?! I have lived in this neighborhood 25 years. This is an absolute eye sore. It creates traffic where we did not have a problem with traffic. The signage about the upcoming lane change is not adequate. I've seen two near-accidents. The new parking spaces look completely unsafe from traffic. The orange traffic bumpers and broken white border eyesore things prove this because motorists keep hitting them. Our postal carrier finds her stop at the blue USPS box more dangerous because she has to pull into what is now a gated in area and has to back up all the way to the driveway into the shopping center. As a neighbor that rides my bike with my family, this feels more unsafe than how it was before because motorists are now avoiding traffic caused on Portola and coming into our neighborhoods to get around it. We already don't have sidewalks, so it creates a sketchy situation at times when walking my son in his stroller. I really hope this whole plan is reconsidered and removed for the safety of all. It feels like a whole lot was changed for cyclists at the detriment of the rest of the neighborhood.
Super confusing and unnecessary. We were fine without. I walk, bike around and now is more dangerous as no one since to know what to do. Why try to fix something that is not broken. Misused of our tax money
The bottle necking of traffic, the strange orange tubs, the psychedelic purple painted on the street, the silver hoop barriers were all a total mess of distraction. I was so busy trying to figure things out, I was not able to look for pedestrians or bicycles. I live on 35th Ave, so the 4 way stop on 36th and portola was nice. The rest was a horrible mess. We do not need less car lanes on the road. Most people who ride bikes around the neighborhood these days have electric powered bikes that go really fast. They don't deserve a special boxed in lane. They belong with the cars. They probably travel at 25mph. They are a hazard.
The temporary striping was confusing and so were the decorative features
N/A
No!!! Complete chaos, and traffic is horrendous.
the temporary separators were unhelpful and seemed somewhat more dangerous than traditional bollards.
More slow traffic Hardly anyone turning while I was driving. Walking space already present. Flashing signals are more than sufficient
I didn't see any green bike lanes

Turns were confusing. At the end of 41st it splits into a left turn and straight lane but cars were confused both went straight. Removing one of the lanes caused unnecessary waits. Not many bicycles were on the road. Parking eliminated was confusing. Cars DO NOT STOP AT THE STOP SIGN IN 36TH!! SO many times cars blows through including me on the crosswalk! Cars barely do a rolling stop. They might tap their brakes. Even more dangerous for the pedestrian because you think there's a stop sign people should abide! Ticket them. Keep the new stop signs but remove the extra lane taken away for cars. I walk on Portola daily.
Visually confusing. A real mess.
The lanes for turning are abrupt and not marked clearly. People don't expect the change and traffic is slow
Lane changes, going from four lanes to three or two, weird color markings, the plastic wavy barriers that hinder view of bikes/ pedestrians (though I've seen few of either)
they make no sense. Why would we want traffic to go into the neighborhood. With the turn lanes now we have cars trying to cut other vehicles off to get in front someone else. these drivers now are focused on cutting another car off instead of any pedestrian or cycling traffic.
It went from 4 lanes to 2. And you get stuck in a turn lane and people unsafely go straight anyways.
The lane merging and single lane use
It's the worst thing ever
The changing of the lanes, the weird pink and black paint, the breakaway barriers, the orange barrels on the corners. I was annoyed by them while driving but what really got me was when I was riding my bike with my dog and how much more difficult everything made it.
Merge tapers too short, no notice for new stop sign intersection or stop bar, not enough warning for unnecessary turn only lanes, non reflective looping bike racks on lane line that impede anything less than extreme turning radius into business driveways, general lack of conformance/consistency with CA standards or SCCO road standards - The most confusing road layout, and I almost got in accidents twice due to people slamming on their brakes at new intersection and at someone trying to get out of all of a sudden turn only lane in addition to now vehicular traffic on Portola. I build roads for a living and this thing is a lawsuit waiting to happen. Please put the perfectly fine functioning road back how it was immediately. This is awful and I would rather you guys spend money on repaving and repairing the other totally thrashed roads in the county versus this insane acid trip of a road maze.
Everything. I was so busy trying to figure out the lanes and parking areas both on my recumbent and my car, I couldn't really watch anything wise. The right turn lane comes and goes, the parking is very intermittent. I have a 3 wheel recumbent and was unable to avoid tree roots due to the wave barrier. I think this new arrangement will cause many more accidents. I felt much safer biking on Portola in it's original condition.
weaving
Center turn lane for both directions, weird raised strips???
I almost hit a cone, what the fuck are you thinking?
na
It looks like a bad acid trip Purple here green there arrow s here and there. It is the worst mess I have ever encountered and I have lived in this neighborhood for forty years. The coffee shop does not need personal parking spaces. It is a nightmare for people who live here. The worst part is coming from Capitola onto Portola ave. where you are squeezed into lanes you didn't need before. It holds up traffic and causes accidents. I had to drive way pout of my way several times just to get home. Please put things back the way they were.
I could run the new stop sign and get a ticket. Someone could have their car get hit due to the second lane parking. And so much traffic.
One lane for Portola?? Do you realize that is a major thoroughfare? Doesn't seem very ecological to create a bunch of traffic where cars are stuck idling. Very annoying
Bike lane felt more constricted, less safe, more difficult to avoid obstacles
must turn right lanes confusing since some extended past intersection
With the over abundance of color approaches on ground paintings/ signage it makes navigating the are overly hectic and distracting. While riding this on bicycle every day as part of a commute it has made the bike lane feel tighter and less maneuverable than before
NA
The stop sign is great everything else is to jammed into the intersection making it unclear of the traffic people bicycles flow
It is not confusing, its difficult to navigate. It causes bottlenecks and backs up traffic.
super unsafe traffic congestion. Near collisions. WAY too many cars funneled into a tiny roadway space. PLEASE do not do this again.
The whole installment is confusing. What is the point of these things. Also, what happened with the turn lane? I don't understand why we "fixed" something that wasn't broken.
Running into them
The lanes were confusing and the metal arches to separate the bike lane made turning very difficult. Not only is it an eyesore but it felt dangerous too.
What is now a turn lane abruptly ends. Very dangerous when cars moving into the only thru lane. Too much traffic on Portola for one lane. Need two.
Bikes are not as visible with the loops installed. Awful design
Way too much going on. Zero improvement. Only created many hazards for autos, bicyclists and pedestrians.
Everything about this project was wrong. I believe the intention was good, but the reality was grim.
Congestion
The moving from two lanes to one lane and then back again plus turn only lanes for such a small distance can be confusing.
It's a maze of barriers and painted streets. Very distracting. Not worth causing car congestion. Did anyone notice that bicycles barely use Portola? The bike traffic is on east cliff in this part of town. Thank you for your consideration.
Those parking spaces for Cat and Cloud right in the middle of the highway - unnecessary, whose palms got greased for that? - those colors yuk. No other Business has any complaint about lack of parking for their Business do they? No..its only Cat and Cloud so it's solely their problem.. easy fix relocate. This concept is just wrong for the area. It's causing traffic mayhem for those of us who really live in our neighborhood.

I thought they were temporary for road work.
very poor design, very confusing.
I see cars striking the plastic swoops on right hand turns in the intersection of 41st. Sudden lane departures, left hand turn lanes where there's no need for them, and traffic build up. I'm confused as to why these changes were made.
The Barricades or whatever they are called are more distracting than anything. The road markings aren't very visible at all and create unnecessary traffic and confusion. The barricades also make it extremely hard to enter and exit driveways on the road. It also somehow makes pedestrians completely disregard the vehicles around them.
It's just largely doing things so different from what I am used to doing.
Confusing with green signage on street, plastic railings dustracting
Pointless. News two lanes on Portola!
No signs to show merging traffic. Not visible.
they worked great
As a biker The white barriers create more of an obstacle . As a driver the turning lanes causes sudden/ abrupt merging ,cutting and swerving . It also causes congestion.
right turn lane causes cars to merge unsafely
Half of them were torn down over the night before I drove down Portola. They were being re-installed and traffic was a nightmare. Terrible bottleneck between 41st and 38th.
poorly marked
They appear to be hazardous for cars as well as bikes!
This was a waste of time and money. We live right off Portola. The fact that you have literally made the lanes merge is Ridiculous!! There is no need for the stupid barrels and the white things that keep getting ran over. The added Stop ● in front of cat and cloud! Come on!! We could have used a flashing crossing way better! Traffic is backed up CANT MAKE A FREAKING LEFT TURN OUT OF SANTA. CRUZ HAIR SALON!! This was not thought out well. And should have asked us Residents who drive this daily! WHATS REALLY NEEDED IS FREAKING SPEED BUMPS ON 38th AVE ! Because people think it's a damn FREEWAY!! Flashing CORSSING SIGNS JUST PAINT THE BIKE LANE NO NEED TO BLOCK ALL THE AVAILABLE PARKING SPOTS!! ASK THE FAMILIES WHO WALK TO THE BEACH AND DRIVE THIS ROAD DAILY! THIS WILL NOT BE GOOD WHEN SCHOOL STARTS and all us moms are getting our kids to school! And after school the weekends have been horrible on our end! Just REMOVE IT. Every day we count all those white things knocked off and the barrels knocked over! Wow! Money WASTED
Just a major DISTRACTION. Harder to notice walkers or bicycles...
Too much to look at: purple circles painted, white metal guard rails, orange barrels. Is the metal supposed to stay? Why can't it be just like the other bike lanes : green and small turn area like on water (or is soquel) between ocean and branciforte
I ride a e-chair for years down this road and it is now a mess. I hate what you've done. Everyone I know hates it. Drivers are really ticked off down the now. The worst job I ever have seen in 55 years living on Portola Dr.
It seemed to make it confusing for bikes that would not yield for Pedestrians, or stop at signs and continued to ride on side walks. Many cars just continued to navigate the old way.
trying to navigate the lanes while still watching out for people on foot as well as on a bicycle is very difficult
Motorists, cyclists and pedestrians are not using the lanes properly. It's confusing and dangerous
The purple curbs seemed to intrude too much into the lanes.
Everything, The stop sign on 36th Ave, very close to 38th ave and the right lane is for turning right.
Two lanes suddenly merge to one lane plus turn lanes that are not needed or even used. Two lanes suddenly merge to one lane plus turn lanes that are not needed or even used Traffic backed up in long lines people were confused and people on foot were afraid to cross the street because of frustrated drivers. Two lanes are needed for drivers because of heavy traffic.!Bike lanes could be painted or made wider, but an entire lane for drivers should not be lost and turned into anturn only lane .
The lane-ends / forced right turns are quite confusing, whether in a car, on bike or foot. (They also force more traffic onto side streets which do not have dedicated bike/ped infrastructure, which is a very bad thing). The accomodation for parking is also tricky to understand, in the sense that at some points along the route there is a traffic lane, and then at other points there are parking spots. The psychedelic zebra paint is cool, but also a bit confusing to both bike/ped and autos.
The lines on the road were very difficult to see. The purple markings on the road make absolutely no sense.
Unable to tell what was a turn lane and what was not.
Impatient drivers using the turn lane as a through traffic lane. major slow down in traffic flow.
Too much color. People trying to move ahead and use the two lanes that were there before.
The turn lanes tell you too late. The only thing that is needed is the extra stop signs. The turning lanes are stupid.
Too much happening. Not clear, couldn't see bikers as well as I used to. Keep it green markings as it is on water st. Don't reinvent the wheel. Traffic backup was horrible and merging to one lane was really unnecessary. It's a height traffic area and slowing down and causing backups will cause more frustrations and speeding through the neighborhood just to get around it.
Hard to turn off
Dude, dedicating a whole lane for left turns is nonsensical. There is no need to create a choke spot for traffic to accumulate. I liked the bike lane though. All the people desperately merging at the last minute because they didn't know WTF was going on put everyone in danger.
Caught in a turning lane/parking space and unable to merge into the single thru traffic lane due to traffic jam created by the lane changes.
Too busy and confusing
It gets to busy at the intersections. For a driver It is more distraction.

This is terrible for residents that actually live here. The traffic makes it more dangerous for bikers, pedestrians and bikers. Adding traffic where it was not needed. I am a long term resident of the neighborhood and strongly decline this change. Terrible waste of resources during a time when this community needs so much more. Shane on you.
All the barriers , painting on road, signs, figuring out where you could park, just total confusion
The wavy bike things actually hide the bicyclists from drivers. When turning left, bikes coming the opposite direction are very hard to see. Espacially kids who are about the size of the waves/
We do not need the middle turn lane. It causes more traffic.
The placement is haphazard, the striping is confusing, the metal bike lan separators look awful. Some are already flattened...probably by cars that did not notice them. Forcing 2 lanes of traffic into 1 at 41st Ave just creates huge backups. I am an active cyclist and this area was just fine before....nice wide bike lane...now the single lane confuses cars and actually makes it more dangerous for cyclists. Put it back to the way it was...it was fine.
Poorly marked with little signage. Bicycle barriers were flimsy and by the second day a few had already been run over.
I am a huge fan of bike lanes and bike commuting oh, but this project actually makes it more dangerous because it creates so much chaos with cars that drivers are focusing on the traffic more than cyclists. This project was horribly conceived and I hope it is removed. I think it does more damage than good because it makes driving so horrible that they resent bike lanes. I very much want to support and encourage bike commuting and bike Lanes, but this is not the way. I don't feel safer on my bike and it is a nightmare in my car and it promotes anger and animosity between drivers and cyclists. Please undo the current merging car Lanes and just make the bike lane green and more visible.
They are an ugly distraction! Turning onto Portola is like entering a different country, not cool!!
N/A
Turning from 41st Ave onto Portola's now one lane slows cars down to a crawl. Plus it's necessary to maneuver around the now-prominent bicycle lane right up to and just as wide as the corner. AND the several times I traveled this route I never saw even one bicyclist using the bicycle lanes. In my opinion the design is unworkable, unsightly, and a brand-new obstacle. For me a bigger problem is bicyclists everywhere, and perhaps in Live Oak especially, never stopping at stop signs or even red lights. They just sail on through while we obedient drivers sit there watching. I think a better project would be to construct mandatory stops for bicyclists ... how about their tire getting punctured if they don't stop?
The installation resulted in significantly more traffic. Lanes would end abruptly and cars would slam on their brakes. There was no organization to the lanes, everything seemed random. Also they are super ugly.
There was so much going on with barriers, cones, orange barrels, arrows- it looked like a construction zone. The most frustrating thing was so much congestion and NOT ONE bike or pedestrian to be seen. Portola is one of the only two lane streets connecting Capitola and Live Oak where cars can actually drive without a lot a traffic. To take that away is excruciating in Santa Cruz's current traffic environment.
The street looks messy, cluttered, ugly, and is a horrible design that doesn't at all feel easy to navigate.
Where to park, had to swing way out to turn. Side street traffic increased to avoid Portola. Near miss collisions due to turn lanes that take away driving lanes. People are all trying in enter one lane of traffic which make you look beyond the sidewalk and bike lane. People in bike lane no longer look for traffic or obey traffic rules due to being enclosed deadly combination.
Lane markings are totally unclear and people were swerving all over, making the road dangerous.
N/A
unusual colors, combination of permanent and temporary markings, variable width bike lanes, pinch points between lane separators and concrete tree wells
Some of the painted arrows were confusing; some transitions were too short.
The signage isn't clear, and it is hard to understand how the lanes are designated because they aren't clearly marked or intuitive
Everything about this is a mess! You created traffic where there was none and we don't need additional parking on the actual street! Totally pointless
These are crazy dangerous treatments of our streets. Also extremely ugly and horrifying to use!! Please please please remove for the safety of our citizens and the beauty of our home. Pula they are making traffic backup from 38th street to 41st and making the intersection of 41st and Portola clogged with traffic!!! Why didn't you use computer models to see how bad it would screw things up. PLEASE REMOVE
They present very hazardous conditions to drverz, bicyclist, and pedestrians.
Getting to shopping areas
It looks like a total mess. The purple lines are confusing. Cars are ignoring the markings and driving wherever going straight when there are left turn lanes. People are mad about having to wait in long lines to get to 41st on Portola. Bikes are using the center lanes where cars are supposed to be and crossing in the middle of the road not on cross walks. It is a mess. Please put it back to how it was. People will avoid the area and businesses will do worse on Portola lower 41st if it is not changed back.
Converting left lane to left turn only creates a traffic back up in the right lane.
I work in transportation for another entity. This does not follow the MUTCD standards therefore its really confusing and dangerous
Having a 2 way street then turn into a 1 way provided much confusion for residents and tourists who came for the 4th of July weekend. Also having parking now in places where it use to be a driving lane made people very frustrated and I saw a lot of road rage happening! I love the idea of a more secure biking path but I think it should be used for the trail that is being developed on the train tracks!!!
The road has been the same for years and this shit confusing and causes more traffic for driving or walking. Not to mention has almost caused so many accidents!
The bike lane is not safe. There are very many obstacles in the way and the right turn lanes will T-bone bicyclists. I will not take my family on Portola ever
Continuous, poorly marked left turn only lanes.

<p>This is a complete disaster and a very annoying headache to me, I hate it. (Sorry to be blunt!) Avid cyclist, walker, and driver, live off Portola and 26th: I don't feel as safe riding my bike on this road now because of the new congestion and confusion. Vehicle flow and removing congestion should be the goal to allow for bicycle AND car safety. Blocking lanes by creating turn lanes that shouldn't be there (when there are stop signs already for protected turns), and still having a pedestrian crossing at every block... it is just slowing down flow. If you want to have a designated bike lane, it should be moved off of Portola, and made either on the rail connection or another side street. Portola is a main commuter strip for errands, and my main access street for home— it has easily doubled my drive time, and I've already seen more accidents and near collisions this last week than I have in the past two years. Having a bike lane separated from the street is fine, but the traffic flow adjustment is very confusing and creating back ups, as well as requiring multiple lane changes on a single 2 mile strip. Having some nice wood or painted concrete planters and creating more of a "low for visibility —green space buffer" would at least be aesthetically pleasing, but please revert traffic back to what it was!</p>
<p>It's the most confusing and frustrating and ugly road layout I've ever seen. Lanes turn from two to one back to two lanes. Who ever designed this has no idea what they are doing and did so in isolation. Very poor, unsightly and dangerous for all. Impedes rather than aids traffic flow</p>
<p>Going southbound 2 lanes of traffic were squeezed down to 1. Some blocks had 2 traffic lanes, others had 1, Very confusing. I</p>
<p>Forced right turn not clear, backed up traffic due to left turns along single lane area, then had to switch lanes to go straight and people in left turn lane East bound portola at 41st want to go straight and then try to switch lanes. It is a huge mess!!</p>
<p>Having to look out not only for the changes but the possibility of bikes or pedestrians coming from different angles as a result of all the lane changes.</p>
<p>It's too complicated</p>
<p>Lanes merged at odd places. Paint has worn off, so instead of turning left in what should be the left turn lane, cars move forward through the stop sign trying to merge with traffic going straight. Constantly looking out for impatient motorists made it more difficult to see pedestrians and cyclists. When it was four lanes, I could see everyone clearly. I like the addition of flashing lights at cross walks.</p>
<p>Forced lane changes in short distances are confusing.</p>
<p>The whole thing</p>
<p>Very distracting</p>
<p>Paint has faded</p>
<p>White squiggly dividers confusing. Light weight items were easily vandalized. I was able to navigate with the temporary signage but saw many of drivers confused.</p>
<p>Generally too much going on visually. I think the "loops" would be enough to section off the bikes. I am an avid cyclist but I don't feel like all of this is necessary. Drivers are extra edgy because of traffic backup and other routes are more busy due to motorist finding alternative routes. I use this route multiple times a day. This trial has made car traffic worse which is not what Santa Cruz needs.</p>
<p>Too Many Obstacles</p>
<p>No signage cars merging at the last second. Traffic is worse. Less visibility for bikes and pedestrians. An all around waste of resources for something that was not a problem before.</p>
<p>The colors at the corners are distracting as are the fancy dividers that are by the bike lanes.</p>
<p>Some drivers used the middle lane to cut ahead of the long line of regular drivers waiting in the single lane. Having cars parked that were not against the curb had drivers waiting behind the parked cars for them to move without realizing that the car was parked. It looked like they were in a regular lane of traffic. This backed up traffic badly. I watch multiple, multiple near accidents as drivers did not understand the temporary layout and they were very confused as to where they should be. The white barriers had people looking at the barriers instead of focusing on the roads.</p>
<p>The temporary installations are not features seen in traffic ordinarily. Permanent installation would be easier to understand and navigate.</p>
<p>Too much going on very distracting, causes traffic to back up, vehicles confused where to go, cutting people off because 2 lanes went down to one. What a mess!</p>
<p>Too many distractions and the orange drums make turning more difficult</p>
<p>It's kind of a shitshow and distracting which keeps drivers eyes away from looking for pedestrians or cyclists.</p>
<p>Too much to figure out while driving, paint was faint could not see well to know where to go and not go. Purple paint confusing are you supposed to go around it or over it ? Temp parking spots not well defined as such.</p>
<p>Lanes just disappeared. Caused huge back ups for neighborhood traffic, just trying to go about our business.</p>
<p>I find these thoroughly confusing. Them not being continuous is odd and it seems like one more thing to pay attention to in addition for checking for cyclists when turning such as turning into businesses. I find them distracting and feel they would actually make me less likely to see a cyclist or pedestrian, including riding straight next to me. There is already a lot to pay attention to on Portola between 4 way stops, pedestrians, and cyclists. For me the barriers are one more thing to split my focus and attention with. I have also almost had accidents now turning onto Portola from 41st as another vehicle is turning onto Portola from 41st coming from the opposite direction—that also makes me likelier to pay attention to vehicles than cyclists and if I had to suddenly avoid another vehicle I could end up hitting a cyclist.</p>
<p>The change to single lane suddenly</p>
<p>There was too much going on, it seemed very cluttered and hard to navigate where my car should be. I could not see bicyclist or pedestrians clearly.</p>

<p>too many colors and distractions, mostly confused drivers running the new stop sign, using the turn lane as a high speed passing lane, nobody using the middle turn lane heading south due to unclear/faded turn arrows (looks like head-on into oncoming traffic using same lane as a high speed northbound passing lane) until it is painted clearly causing worse back ups for southbound traffic, purple painted "curbs" stick out too far so its impossible to turn right onto/off portola without driving over it or into oncoming lane (or bikes moving into traffic); vandals knocking over signs and moving partitions.... all leads to need more law enforcement! I'm avoiding portola on bike BECAUSE of the confusion and distractions that make it more dangerous although I like the idea of slowing car traffic, 3 lanes instead of 4, and please keep the stop sign at 36th with radar/camera and/or chp giving tickets 24/7 and NO ROUNDABOUT at 41st</p>
<p>It was way to confusing... Distracting!!</p>
<p>Too many lane merges, rt/lft turn only, in too short of distance. Very distracting. Increases traffic nearby streets as drivers use different routes to avoid backups on Portola.</p>
<p>Absolute total disaster! I witnessed two close accidents. This is a huge safety issue and needs to be stopped ASAP before somebody kills somebody.</p>
<p>During peak travel hours, you cut the lanes from 2 to one in each direction. This bottle necks the traffic at 38th Ave and causes long lines of cars waiting to cross. Many drivers frustrated by the long lines simply get in the new turn only lane, zip ahead to the stop sign then drive straight through to avoid the long wait at the stop sign. This makes it dangerous for drivers following the lane change as now you have to watch to make sure the guy next to you is going to turn and not zip ahead and try and cut you off. This makes me less aware of walkers or bikers as I have to watch for cars not following the new traffic lanes use. If you are trying to frustrate drivers and cause traffic jams during peak traffic flows and create more hazardous driving conditions, you have done it. Sure, bike riders and walkers use the lanes and side walks, as I do as a resident of 38th Ave, but things were ok as they were. I do like the new stop sign, but then you turned off the pedestrian push button light signal at that cross walk. Why don't you get rid of the bike lane barriers, return traffic to 2 lanes in each direction, do away with the dedicated turn only lanes (cars can still turn left and right as they need to. Don't need dedicated turn lanes to be able to turn - duh) Get traffic flowing again and put a pedestrian signal light on Portola and 38th. If you don't believe me, just go stand on the side walk at Portola and 38th and watch the confusion for yourself. I realize that the County wants to get every one out of their cars and walk, ride bikes and use public transportation, but this is the real world and not utopia. People need and use cars. Lots of older folks need and use cars and can not walk or ride bikes. Instead of trying to create some utopian dream for the few, try to make changes that work for all of us living here.</p>
<p>Mix or merges and left turn lanes and murals very confusing, and is greatly increasing car traffic in the areas, especially on a busy tourist corridor like Portola Dr. Also, many cyclists I see do not seem to obey traffic laws, i.e. stopping at stop signs, using hand signals, etc. These "ideas" will not change this behavior. It will just divert traffic away from this road, potentially hurting business owners also.</p>
<p>It didn't make sense. The change up of road patterns caused issues. I feel like traffic (cyclists, walkers, and drivers) flowed in this area. These temporary "improvements" disrupts things. I really can't understand who this is helping.</p>
<p>Not knowing what lanes to use</p>
<p>Taking away a lane. Forcing traffic and confusion. Witnessed many people run the stop sign.</p>
<p>Temp markings lack bright color and reflective strips of buffered bike lines in San Jose and San Francisco.</p>
<p>Right turn only and left turn only in select lanes</p>
<p>traffic congestion</p>
<p>People changing lanes due to congestion only to find that they have to change back again because what looks like a lane and used to be a lane is marked as parking, turn lanes, or booking areas. If anything, I believe safety is reduced by the new design as motorists are confused and traffic is backed up causing people to try and go around or find a way through</p>
<p>In my car driving I was wondering what the white wave looking objects were but I was not bothered by them</p>
<p>1. No warning of changes to lane count. 2. Too many colors visual barriers distracting what the path should be for car or bike. All should have clear wayfinding indicators. 3. The barriers for the bikes left no room for a bike to navigate if either a cyclist or pedestrian was either stopped or slowing in the bike lane. 4. Was not user friendly. Confusing.</p>
<p>Not clear on what to do</p>
<p>Strange parts jutting into the street</p>
<p>They were knocked down plastic and confusing. Drivers were upset making it more dangerous. Please fix the potholes!!!</p>
<p>NA</p>
<p>Unclear which lane turns, which lane goes straight. Lots of traffic so have to really pay attention to that, less focused on pedestrians, bikes.</p>
<p>cars changing lanes; Pedestrians less obvious, turn lanes confusing, stop signs for no obvious reasons, and I am only getting started in blaming your organization from a very useable street carrying lots of traffic from downtown Santa Cruz to Capitola to a nightmare situation</p>
<p>the metal structures and directional paint on road bed are chaotic looking.</p>
<p>Too much to look at to figure out where to go, painting too faint for turn & straight lanes, cars going straight in a turn only lane. More attention in figuring out the road and not paying attention to bikes or pedestrians.</p>
<p>Right Turn from 41st south to Portola east was a bit challenging but ok</p>
<p>Terrible design, you paid people to come up with this? More dangerous for cars! I support biking but this was ridiculous! New stop sign to encourage people to park in the private lot across the street from Cat in Cloud Coffee where it is not allowed?</p>
<p>left turn only lanes at 38th not clearly marked. as a result many cars ignored them (i.e. went straight) creating a hazard.</p>
<p>bicycle markings were not lined up in a straight line; a permanent project wouldn't have a bike lane next to unused parking bays</p>
<p>the turn lanes are now gone causing traffic</p>
<p>Too many confusing visuals. Especially the purple bulb outs. A simpler pop up would not have caused so much anger.</p>
<p>Haphazard, ugly, poor design, a menace.</p>
<p>The purple "curbs" were very confusing. The road striping began to wear off as time went on, making the new driving set-up confusing.</p>
<p>The purpose of the purple paint wasn't clear.</p>

The temporary nature of the structures themselves were confusing, and additional signage was necessary. The stop sign at 36th was a MASSIVE improvement, helped to slow traffic to a safe speed, and made using the busy intersection much safer. Accidents are narrowly avoided there daily now that the stop sign is removed. The 1-lane restriction was confusing on how it was setup: poor signage and difficult to understand temporary structures did not help. However, the concept is great, and permanent structures dividing the road from the bike lane would be very welcome. Personally, I'd rather see street parking removed rather than the second lane, and narrowing the lanes to reduce overall speed tendencies.

destructive not constructive

Going from 2 lanes to 1 lane of traffic, removing the ability to turn right onto Portola easily had to go way into intersection. Bike lane already in place as are sidewalks. Too much going on was distracting and HATED the delays from one everyone moving into 1 lane. There is more traffic nowadays so why remove one lane. I live in the pleasure point neighborhood and the changes made are not for the better. Not to mention the funding isn't there. Please do not make this trial a permanent one.

Wide turns, especially the turn from 41st on to Portola. The Left turn Lane at 37th creates more confusion and traffic heading west on Portola. The traffic backs all the way up to 41st. The 4 point stop at 36th is nice but creates a lot of traffic as well. The driving experience is not worth the comfort for foot traffic.

Bike lane that is actually protected/demarcated by a barrier - YES! Yay! Reducing the traffic pattern to one lane for short periods at intersections is very confusing. Some of paint on the street looks good but I have little idea what it is communicating. The bike lane border/railings looks good and help. More of them. Less street parking. More bike lane. Allow freedom for cars to use the vast amount of parking spaces available in some of the big parking lots that are often much empty and some always empty after 5pm. A total waste of pavement not to mention heating up everything around them

poor signage and illogical

Every half block is different. Driving felt like an obstacle course. The right turn only lanes are a waste of space - nobody turns right. But you need left turn only at the intersections. Driving straight through to Capitola is a nightmare.

n/a

Short merges (turning from 41st onto Portola), uncertain parking availability, and those purple arcs on the corner were odd. They would make sense to keep cars out of the bike lane, but instead seemed to direct you onto the center lane which then became a turn lane.

The purple stripes mean nothing (why not stick with the color green that is known for being the bike lane color??), they are not pleasant to look at, and I found them very distracting. In addition, now the traffic pattern for cars is VERY confusing when traveling down both directions of Portola. Some lanes are turn-only lanes, some lanes go back and forth between turn only and straight—it's a mess! And completely disrupts the flow of traffic.

At first it was confusing because I didn't know what it was, but then I got used to it. I like it!

I drove twice at about 6:45pm, heading west, into the sun. It was difficult to see if the left-hand lane was for west-bound traffic or a center turn lane for both directions of traffic. This felt unsafe for driving. The physical barriers for cyclists made it more comfortable to drive in the area.

Too many different colors painted on the asphalt

Merging onto portola distracted from bicycle traffic

Total messy set up, who came up with this mess?? Waste of money.

The paint was faint and I wasn't clear what the black/purple striped design indicated.

vandalism to the structures

The turn lane extended way too long with no merge away, which made people just use it as a normal straight lane at the four way stops

They interrupted natural traffic flow, causing frustration which caused erratic car driving behavior - as I attempted to turn left onto 37th Ave from Portola, I found it hard to see oncoming cars buzzing around the right from right turn only lanes to go straight.

1) Purple/Black paint on street distracting and not intuitive on purpose. 2) Yellow Barricades distracting, obstruct view, choked use of space, forced vehicles turning on to avenues to drive in oncoming lane, dangerous, oppressive, depressing. 3) If road works need to be explained with 8"x10" plastic paper, posted on lamp post = pathetic planning. 4) "Portola Ave.", is a main driving artery between Capitola and down town Santa Cruz. To reduce a section anywhere, especially in the pleasure point section, to single lane is causes major back-up. During the frequent back-ups, cars are idling and putting pollution in the air, causing much tension for drivers, causing delays in any directions. 5) I witnessed bicyclist choosing not to use the lane as it caused slow downs for them, as no bike passing in bike lane and danger trying to navigate all of the parking, turning, plastic guard rails.... What a mess. 6) I would like to know if the folks who are pushing this experiment on my neighbor hood are in paid positions. 7) I would like to know how the experiment was able to proceed without approval by the county departments that regulate traffic. Give us names of people in government positions and politicians to this issue/experiment can be highlighted come time to vote! 8) I spoke to business owners on Portola that were not informed of experiment. They did not appreciate the lack of communication. 9) I live on the Pleasure Point avenue effected by the experiment. If I painted your street purple and black, I would be accused of vandalizing the street and be fined at the very least. The paint is STILL there, so rude to push your colors and paint on us and then not properly clean up!!! 10) Where was the road research? Is the area know for bike issues? Do you know how many cars vs bike pass in all directions each day? We don't need dedicated turn lanes! 11) People were so upset, I constantly heard honking (noise pollution, I witness drivers distracted and confused running stop signs, debris on the road from the plastic barricades. 12) I do not think you folks even understand bicyclist, as the want to share the road move quickly, ability to pass... 13) I think someone is making money off driving the experiment and it stinks.

First of all, there was no warning; as in, a light or something to say, hey, this is now a 4-way stop sign. The purple lines were the first thing I saw and I thought children has painted it, thought is was amateurish and ugly, and I had no idea what the lines signified. When I finally realized why everyone was stopped on Portola, I ventured out and took a right where a strange looking hot wheels track had been set up as a....barrier? I felt anxious driving through because the road had narrowed and the painted arrows were vague, didn't look new and were confusing for such a short space. Go here, now go here, now go here, now go here, and meanwhile look at the white hot wheels track bands randomly placed on the sides of lanes, not the road. What are they there precisely, and why not on the side of the road instead of in the middle? A few days later I noticed a car parked behind the white hot wheels loop de loop thingy. Oh, I thought, for parking? There was no warning about how many lane changes you'd have to make in 3 blocks in order to not get stuck in the wrong lane. The cluttered road was distracting and ugly and dangerous to all who ventured onto it. It made no sense and every time I left home or arrived home I had to navigate the now hated section of road. If those bizarre colors and shapes and misdirections come back it will not do anything to protect anyone. If you want to narrow the road, do it, and put in real bike lanes, good signage and clean the place up of all that clutter. Honestly, a few weeks of CHP presence in all of Pleasure Point, on the Avenues as well as Portola, with stiff speeding fines, would probably do a lot more to protect people than that childlike play structure erected by the children of the night.

N/A
A bunch of loopy things sticking up out of the asphalt - what is the point?
It did not address the crosswalk safety issue at 32nd and Portola Where we have a real problem. Also the wavy white dividers we're just confusing, as I've never seen anything like them and I didn't know what was going on
Wave barriers were distracting and annoying making driving more dangerous. Narrowing the lanes on a busy thoroughfare is ludicrous. We have enough traffic problems in Santa Cruz. Don't ruin the Eastside!
Nothing it was worse for driving
Hard to pull into business
very awkward.
Purple "curb" -> 41st to Portola telling you to go out in the middle of the street.
Signage not clear. Removing a lane and causing traffic buildup. Makes it more dangerous for cyclists and pedestrians
Not confusing, but makes moving through the neighborhood less efficient
Merges everywhere, difficult to see pedestrian crosswalks
too much going on. More car traffic. Harder to cross.
Return to 4 lanes PLEASE
The change so drastic, can't cross road to shop, backed up traffic on what was a smoothly operating road for decades, purple??
don't like concrete in turning into 36th ave
The new turning lanes come up quick, by that time a long line of cars are in the other lane, causing stress to move over
Lane markings at transition points (41st ave and 26th ave)
Changing from straight ahead or r/l turn on 28th to straight ahead turn on 41st.
1st time - surprised by stop sign @ 36th ave
needs clearer signage before protected bike lane starts. (entrances)
The barriers are too temporary and their should be green paint, but I like the reflectors.
No explanation when first put up, needed much better publicity and explanations.
Its a lot to look at, between the white wavy dividers, purple ground painting, and orange barrells/barriers. Looks busy
Mostly I think it was confusing because of the newness and traffic increase.
Driving lane eliminated
People in turn lanes that want to go straight
the only thing not obvious is what the purple designs on the ground are
the middle lane threw me off at first, but then the flow made sense, I like it!

What is your favorite part about the demonstration event? / Cuál es su parte favorita de este evento demostrativo?
Safer riding and walking. Much needed.
none
My favorite part is that facilitating foot & bike traffic is being considered in the first place! There are a great many improvements that need to be made, and one must start somewhere.
it shows that pedestrian space can coexist with cars.
Physical separation from traffic
I like the extra crosswalks and green paint marking the bike lanes and ped crossing areas. Not a fan of the physical barriers.
Nothing
Nothing
It's hard to say anything positive and I am usually a very positive person. I'm watching bikers still biking on the sidewalk right now because they don't understand what the Hells going on it's a fiasco in my opinion.
None
The removal of street parking along Portola drive made businesses inaccessible and the traffic caused by the removal of one southbound lane is terrible.
There is nothing I like about it. I think it's ugly and very poorly designed
Nothing!
None.
Seeing everyone enjoy our public space
I'm likely to use it because I'm stuck with the god damned thing as I live here. Why don't you all encourage bikes to use east cliff drive instead of a major car route. Now you will have cars backed up idling and bikers get to breath lots of extra exhaust.
The safety rails for the bike lane although they should be a more visible color.
It'll encourage us to use our bikes more, but we'll be using an alternative route to drive.
Nothing
Better cycling infrastructure on a key cycling road
Nothing. Awful.
Absolutely nothing - you've made the road section and 41st junction a nightmare disaster
Nothing. Absolutely nothing. It looked like a school field trip.
I think 10% of what's there would be good but was there right now is overkill and an eyesore/distracting
Your event disrupted our lives today. This is a bad idea!
Would not want it installed permanently
Opens up the opportunity for more walking and biking helping to leave the cars at home.
None. It's crap. Remove it now please.
Get to see ahead what it's going to look like
Nothing - it's a disaster
I VERY much support increasing bike & pedestrian use & safety. Perhaps just keep the white physical dividers & the green paint.
I felt safer on my bike and while motorists don't like being forced to use one lane, I think it will help to SLOW drivers down. That stretch of Portola, between 41st Ave and 30th is like a fricking freeway. It's nerve wracking to drive or bike along there, especially on the weekends.
🚫. NOTHING is my favorite. The purple faux curbs are horrible. The white wave "cones" are horrible.
As a cyclist I see this as creating more of a divided with drivers and cyclist and is looks horrible.
NONE OF IT
Nothing
I appreciate the attempt to make alternate transportation safer, to make people feel more confident to ride their bike to work/school in an attempt to offset the amount of drivers on the road.
None
Nothing. I live a block away and was never informed about it. As a resident heavily impacted, this was poorly communicated - in fact there was ZERO communication about it all. What a miserable failure and pathetic implementation.
The adoption of bicycling and the volunteer art.
What demonstration event? NOBODY told anybody about this. Not one of the neighbors I have talked to were made aware of what any of this was - we all live 1-2 blocks from Portola. It is appalling, unsafe and causing more problems than it is supposed to be solving. Get rid of it.
There is no favorite part. This is an ill conceived disaster. This project should be completely abandoned and the hardware removed from the street and their lines repainted. Portola is a major commute corridor during the afternoon commute. Since E. Cliff Dr. is one way traveling east, anybody coming from Opal Cliffs, Court Drive. Or about to Capatola on Portola as well as coming down 41st Ave. towards the beach must traverse this section of Portola in order to move west or into the 26th through 30th Ave. neighborhoods. It's important for everybody safety that cars be able to quickly and efficiently move through this zone. Adequate bike pads already exist as well as clearly marked crosswalks. These destructive changes simply trap more vehicles in this transitional zone for much longer period of time which makes traversing this area by foot or bicycle much more dangerous. It is only a matter of time before somebody is injured or killed unnecessarily. Return the striping to the original two-lane Configuration before you kill someone.
Nothing. It is a traffic hazard and nightmare

The reminder of pedestrians have the right of way. People speed down my road on 37th to get to portola and then they really speed up. My dog was hit and killed in front of house because of a speeder. I am just grateful it was not my three year old son. I would also like to ask if you can continue the sidewalks down 37th ave to the beach and make 37th a pedestrian rd. I would be fine with a bike lane, curbs, and one way traffic with speed tables. You could even go as far to turn the two blocks of 37th into colder sacks and make the roads dead end at floral. Please help us with 37th ave as well. Thank you for the amazing job on Portola
Nothing
Nothing I was late for work because of this. I had no idea it was happening.
Zilch. Nada
Nothing
Mot much really. It provides another reason to look to move out of the area which I have lived, traveled and surfed in for 30 years.
Nothing
Nothing
Nothing!
More visibility of pedestrians and cyclists
Watching people complain about traffic
It's not permanent!! This is not a good idea. 2 lanes each way is needed for the traffic flow in over crowded Santa Cruz.
I like the bike lanes being more protected and visible. I do not like the driving lanes being changed. It is not needed and causes congestion, confusion and slow downs.
I like that the county is investing in bike infrastructure with an emphasis on safety.
Promotion of walking and cycling. This is a relatively low traffic volume road and having 2 Lanes in each direction dedicated to automobiles is excessive
Nothing - REMOVE IT.
N/A
Nothing
Nothing.
There is no favorite part because the "demonstration event" appears to be nothing more than an effort on the part of a small, elite minority of bike aficionados to be make the car driving public as miserable as possible!
none
Didn't go
Nothing
It is safe and it is beautiful!
It SLOWS traffic down, which has become hazardous. People think they're on the freeway, everywhere!
This survey
I like the green paint
Didn't like it. Too much. Creating a traffic mess and no parking for some businesses. Not the place for it. East Cliff would be a better fit . Make that more bike and pedestrian friendly from 17th Ave. Make it a one way with wide walking and biking paths. Leave Portola as it was before. Too much of a main road..
Nothing. Hated it. Makes traffic worse, more dangerous. During the summer this will be an accident waiting to happen.
I'm sorry to say, but none of it. It has turned portola drive into a circus.
NA
Nothing. Bad idea, bad implementation, aesthetically displeasing, and impractical.
Nothing
Protected bike lanes, should be something that should be in high traffic areas, there are a handful of areas that I worry about getting hit by a car, Seabright & Murray is one of the worst, going towards the harbor, cars drift into that bike lane a lot, where the road bends, would say every other car drifts into that bike lane
Love the designated striping and temporary structures. I get to ride this stretch of Portola 6 mornings a week and I feel safer after all the work that has been done. Thanks
it was hard to navigate and distracting. I like the idea of keeping bikers safe, but this area is not one of the most dangerous biking areas in town. I live off soquel ave in soquel and people drive that road like 45-55 miles an hour. There are many schools in that area but not many people ride or bike because soquel ave is so dangerous.
Nothing
I don't have one
Just the cat in the cloud being across from another coffee place and really messing up the parking on 36th Avenue, I thought that was the topper. This is ridiculous, traffic flows fine w the exception of trying to get out of 30th or 36th onto Portola. Put up the flashing cross walks and leave it at that. This program is only causing lots of confusion and traffic problems if anything people are going to get hit because they're wandering around in the street.
Didn't go!
Nothing! It was the worst part of my drive home
I hate it
This is going to make Portola a driving disaster.
Na
N/A
Nothing, traffic was horrible
Nothing
Did not like at all. There is terrible traffic in our neighborhood. Please do not change.

Just the painted bike lanes. The rest is unnecessary
The removal
Wanting to make biking safer but that's not the location. Use the unused train tracks
Additional on-street parking.
I hate it
Nothing
Nothing. It creates more traffic without doing what it is intended for.
Nothing.
NOTHING
NONE OF IT! ALL NEEDS TO GO!
Nothing
Nothing
Good try to help but area scheduled few yrs ago from 3th ave along road to 7th bikelane area is dangerous and needs more help instead! Very heavily used and so much to navigate esp when beach section is blocked to bypass road and at night...
none
Hated it
N/a
That intersection needs to be made better, not worse.
The attempt at making it safer for bicycles
Don't like it.
Nothing, this is a confusing eyesore to my daily travels around town. I can only imagine how long my 5 minute drive to the grocery store will be in the future. If this is made permanent I predict business on this strip will see negative impact due to permanent residents avoiding the area.
So far, nothing.
No favorite part
I have no favorite part. The barriers are ugly. The businesses are negatively impacted as is traffic and emergency vehicles. A totally bad plan.
None
Nothing at all. This is a huge traffic congestion that may cause more accidents.
None of it, but nice try.
There is no favorite part. It's a gross interference in the daily lives of people. Any possible positive outcome would only benefit a very small number of people while inconveniencing thousands.
there was no publicity about this happening! it was a shock. a two way turn lane is completely unnecessary & waste of space. why is this being tested in live oak? outrageous.
my favorite part is trying to solve a problem. but i don't think this is the solution. it looks messy and unattractive. and it's causing more traffic buildup.
Nothing
I like that their are guard rails for bicyclists
Finally a community event again!
Road diet on portals leads to speed reduction, which is safer for everyone
Nothing
Green paint in bike lane
None
It proves that you shouldn't fix something that isn't broken
Nothing. It is an eye sore. It doesn't change anything. It causes more traffic.
Nothing! Return it to the previous condition. You have made it more difficult and dangerous for people, bicycles, and cars. You have created a terrible traffic situation in an area that otherwise was acceptable and accessible. I am a home owner for 40 years now and have never seen the traffic, that this project has created, so extreme! Remove this demonstration event!
Not a fan
I hate the entire thing.
It's awful all around. Take it all down.
The paint job looks like county workers got stoned together before work and in that way it made me happy.
None
That it may be over
There is no favorite part other than it's supposed to be temporary. Fat chance of that.
I like the barrier
None of it but the stop sign on 36th Ave I think would help.
Only the green biking path
Nothing Not supporting this. I think it's a waist of time and money!
My favorite part will be when it goes away. A separated bike path is something like the one on east cliff or the proposed path down the railroad tracks!!! It is not this monstrosity.
Nothing. It's overkill and I don't really want to bike by a bunch of backed up stopped angry traffic. I'll probably make my bike ride swing along the cliff now instead.
Nothing
Nothing

Not a fan.
None of it
Looking forward to it coming down
Nothing. It's dangerous and ugly
None of it
It is just horrible. Go down there and watch the chaos.
The stop sign at 35th & Portola.
my favorite part would be if we reverted the changes
Nothing
I got to take a survey how I don't appreciate it
none. this is horrible. please do NOT make this permanent. who the hell made this good lord
It going away
None of it
Seems like an expensive way to make the bike lane small unfortunately
Nothing. It's a terrible idea. You're creating a complete bottleneck traffic jam! Creating turn lanes and forcing through traffic into one lane is bad enough, but forcing cyclists into a narrow bike lane ridden with huge bumps from tree roots is dangerous and idiotic. Whose dumbass idea was this? I'm all for walking and biking trails, but do it next to the railroad tracks- like out on the Westside. Don't push into the already over-trafficked streets.
No favorite part. Felt very unsafe.
None
None
Nothing
NOTHING
The new stop signs at 36th and Portola.
Nothing
Making biking safer for everyone.
Nothing
on question 15, i don't know what facility you mean. If you mean, how often would I be driving on portola in this Test, every day since I live on 36th. I hate that you did not get feedback from Pleasure Point residents before pushing this agenda for the benefit of Bicyclists.
The added stop sign and additional crosswalk
None of it. It is a mess! Why not install lights
None of it. So congested now
Nothing
No favorite part, this is an abomination.
absolutely nothing! worst thing to happen to our town
Nothing it sucks
All of it is ridiculous!!!!
No favorite part
Pretty purple paint
As someone who lives off Portola, I find this to be absolutely awful! My favorite part is that it is temporary but the stop sign on 36 can stay
it's bad
No favorite
Safer biking
Nothing. Do not do this!! Did not feel safe on my bike or driving
Nothing it is absolutely terrible. All it does is confuse people and make more traffic/ problems
Nothing. It is dumb as fuck
I don't like it. Its a waste of time and money. I've never felt unsafe riding my bicycle down Portola dr I've also never felt unsafe walking down that street since there are already sidewalks and plenty of signage.
None of it! Quit messing with my neighborhood
Protected bike lanes make it much more safe. I drive Portola almost daily and this is a much better use of space with no impact to traffic.
The stop sign at 36th and the wide bike line
Nothing other than it raises awareness that other areas are much more in need for safety issues and you are creating traffic issues unnecessarily
The County is trying to make streets safer for pedestrians and bicyclists! This current and temporary change made it feel unsafe.
I like seeing progress. This corridor needs attention and fixing up. Making it pedestrian and bike friendly is a great first step, although I think the execution needs work as it currently feels disjointed.
I do like the green bike lanes and the idea of it becoming more enjoyable for walkers/bicyclists but it causes a lot of traffic in a very busy/populated area
None
I don't like anything about it. And I don't understand why the County isn't putting some energy into separating the bicycle and pedestrian traffic from the auto traffic on the part of East Cliff from 7th Avenue around Twin Lakes up to 12th Avenue? That is a dangerous shared roadway and it needs some separation!
None
It hasn't happened yet

It is visually interesting, maybe suitable for a promenade at Santana Row.
This sucks, has made it more dangerous for everyone
Nothing
22 people out there wasting tax dollars to me is a joke
Pretty colors.
The only part I like is the new stop sign. Everything else is terrible. (This is from an automobile driver's perspective).
No thank you
NOTHING
Nothing
na
it's bad
The hope that it is a Joke and will be Removed immediately! For safety reasons, Portola Drive needs to go back to the way it was configured before this "Pet" project was tried.
Nothing
Highlighting bike lanes.
Improved safety for pedestrians and bicyclists.
Nothing
The ONLY thing I liked about this was the fact that I saw community members outside doing something together. BUT don't just create a project for community engagement's sake - actually come up with a fully flushed out idea AND THEN involve the community. Don't just paint the ground because you can.
The clear separation between the bike path and the road. This makes me as a biker feel safer knowing the cars most likely won't drift into my lane.
None. It is backing up traffic for everyone and causing people to focus more on how to navigate the road than their surroundings
Ridiculous
The only valuable change I see so far is the stop sign at 36th Avenue.
nothing
Nothing. Please go back to two lanes. There is plenty space for pedestrians as is.
looks great!
It coming down.
That it is not permanent.
Nothing. Very disappointed
I do not like it
it demonstrates how much it will mess up vehicle traffic.
none
Nothing. Poor planning.
None, it was all absolutely awful. There were no improvements, Portola is worse off now than it was prior, there was no reason to destroy to driving lanes.
N/A
No favorite part. This was poorly planned and unnecessary. I bike and drive, there was plenty of space for both prior to these barriers being installed and a lane being taken away. All this does is force people to drive through the pleasure point neighborhood to avoid the 3-4 blocks of traffic the bike lane has created
None of it it's the worst thought out improvement I've ever seen. East cliff is only two blocks away. Get rid of this.
Nothing!
Absolutely nothing . It makes my beloved town of 30+ yrs look foolish and stupid
Nothing. Causing road hazards, distractions, and road rage. Please remove ASAP
I have nothing positive to say about this installment. It's a nuisance for traffic and dangerous.
I like the idea of protecting a bike/walking corridor, but this should be done as the Rail Trail, which would be like one block away.
The wavy things
Not sure yet
The fact that this dangerous traffic snarling eyesore will be GONE in 30 days.
I didn't like it. The money should be utilized to create a bike walk path on the train tracks.
None
Not The Purple Paint
There isn't one! Quit trying to force people to ride bicycles and walk.
It's a horrible design!!! Very tacky looking and confusing. People were turning in to the parking by Coffeetopia to bypass this mess! Please don't spend money on this! All it did was back up traffic
Its ugly and unstable!
I liked the street art to make the crosswalks more visible.
It is horrible and I would like it removed as soon as possible
Nothing. It's awful.
Nothing! This is a nightmare and needs to be dismantled immediately. The traffic is terrible. Making a lean cooridor even leaner is a horrible idea in a town already overtaken by traffic. Remove ASAP!!
functional AND beautiful
There is no favorite part. It's terrible.
all of it

3way stop signs at 36th & Portola
Bike lanes
Didn't go
Nothing
None. I think it doesn't work as intended because it only makes the commute more difficult for drivers. Traffic jams means grumpy drivers, and grumpy drivers means careless road-rage drivers. This project is dangerous and unhelpful. Find a better way to make bike lanes more accessible than taking a vehicle lane away!
The stop sign at 36th Ave
Nothing
This survey
When it's removed
The safety it provides to bikers is my favorite part, as biking can be so dangerous due to cars, with even my mom getting hit, installations like this are so important to save lives and make sure people stay safe while choosing a fun and environmentally friendly mode of transportation.
Safety increases for children and all others who are commuting, whether walking, biking, or driving. The additional stop sign helps drivers make a previously dangerous unprotected left turn onto busy Portola. The additional car parking spaces is a plus!
No comment
NOTHING POSITIVE WHATSOEVER!
The majority of constituents hate this change and understand what a detriment it is to our comfort and safety.
I hate it. Thank you to the genius who decided to take Portola down to one lane. Truly brilliant with all the tourists driving around the beach thanks so much.
That it's only temporary
I don't like it. Change is good. But not this. People are hitting those metal barriers
Absolutely nothing
the stop sign at 36th
None of it.
N.O.T.H.I.N.G.
Protected bike lanes with parking; one of the few thoroughfares in sc county that actually feels safe as a cyclist
The day it ends!! So horrible
It's sucks it makes no sense
Nothing
It looks like a kid drew on the road with chalk
Design of plastic railings
Nothing it sucks
Glad that pedestrians/bikes are the focus, not sure this was well executed in location and design.
there is not one.
traffic was slower and the noise level was much lower.
None
I hate it
Free pizza where is it?
It seems so much safer! I live on Alice and 17th and drive on portola all the time to get groceries on 41st. This new set up made me think I could bike for groceries because of how much safer it looked. I would love this infrastructure all over the city!
???????
Consideration and elevation of bicycle rider safety is refreshing. We've over emphasized auto mobility at the expense of every other mode of transportation...let alone the environment.
The stop sign
Free pizza
Nothing
No favorite
I like the physical barrier between me and the cars. I like the fact that the cars have had to slow right down. Once the widened side walls are in place I hope it'll be a great place for all non-car people.
An attempt at an esthetic on a budget.
Hopefully that it will end quickly. This is NOT how you solve traffic congestion
Nothing! Makes me angry every a day! It's obvious that the designers do not live in the area. EVERYONE takes east clod from duh!. Remove and focus on real problems like cars parked on bike lanes.
i will not be at the event but I live in the neighborhood and have ran & drove the course and think it makes Pleasure point more of a pedestrian-friendly place, As for the added traffic issues - it wont change much, traffic is bad on the weekends anyways, we are a destination; if people don't like they should move to the mountains where they wont be bothered by the traffic.
I bike ride all the time on Portola....anything to make it safer -- GOFORIT.
I have no favorite part - think the whole project is misguided
The focus on improved bike safety and bike accessiblity
I visited the area between 2 and 3 and again from 5 to 6. The first visit had no more bicycles than usual and people walking where not impacted. The second visit, 5 to 6 showed traffic backing and congestion.
Nothing
I think it causes unnecessary traffic jams in a busy road. Making it more dangerous to navigate on foot or bike

I live off PORTOLA. I feel this "installation" has made the area much more dangerous for ALL parties.
?
It's temporary
Least favorite: purple and pink paint The existing green reflective beads applied to the green thermoplastic paint for bike lane designations are environmentally specious, sloughing out and blowing into the nearby curb and embankments.
Bicycle awareness
You added a stop sign on a street that I cross every day. Soooooo much safer. I'm not used to cars stopping for me, even with flashing yellow lights.
Meeting Ecology Action staff
The barriers create safety and are artistic.
To know that I for sure do not want this to happen.
that it will go away
What's different? All that was done is the bike lane has a blastocyst divider and the road was turned into one lane each way.... It's flat out just more distracting and dangerous for everyone. Along with making more traffic
Nothing a favorite
That you're allowing responses from people who actually drive this street multiple times every day.
Newly painted green bike lanes. The purple corners look like a second grader's art project and the plastic waves look like they glued macaroni to the paper.
It was not in favor of the event or what's been done to cause traffic jams.
Nothing
Makes a safer ride. But then again it felt safe before.
It's all pretty awful.
Nothing, it is a nusiance that is causing traffic at a major road through town
Not aware it was going to happen as a resident of Live Oak
Nothing
Protected lane for cyclists. As an avid cyclist, we need more of them!
Bike lane barrier
Nothing
Tacos
NOTHING! how could I not use Portola Dr? Its a major artery and for us to get anywhere we have to use it. I d hate to see what the hell would happen during an emergency. Cutting down on 1 lane would make leaving impossible. What about Firetrucks and ambulances? There is no place to pull over to get out of thier way.
None
None
Seem to be created with no thought of increased vehicle traffic
The whole thing has made portola drive a nightmare - nothing positive or good to say about increased traffic, confused drivers and near accidents
Previously, this section of Portola Dr has been an expressway. This is a very good way to slow traffic, increase safety for Pedestrians, dogs and bicyclists, etc. The center turn lane will also allow easier access to many businesses. Hopefully, those drivers who typically use Portola Dr for a fast throughway will go back to using Brommer, Capitola Rd and the freeway. These drivers don't use local business, nor care about speed, noise, etc. They are just a nuisance to our local population.
Giving public access to information about the proposal.
I think regular bike lanes is good enough. Sidewalks work for walking. The yellow flashing lights crossing at 36th works well too. I don't think we need the extra stuff like the wavy bike rod guards and the purple and pink at curbs. Waste of time and money and ugly.
The fact that it is not permanent.
I dislike the demonstration. I believe input from the community should have occurred before construction started.
Nothing!
Absolutely Nothing.
Nothing
There isn't one it is a traffic hazard
My favorite part is how well it demonstrates what a privileged community we are so fortunate to live in, that we can spend this much time and money on a project so obviously superfluous when we have so many pressing problems which need addressing: homelessness, highway 1 congestion and the impact on south county residents, the lack of treatment for mentally ill.... Long list folks
Seeing them taken down.
None of it
Make better sidewalks not create less space in major thoroughfares for vehicles. It is an accident waiting to happen. Too much distraction especially chaotic purple corners.
The fact that all regulations were bypassed by government. Classic SC style
Nothing
The wave lane separators are not too bad.
I don't mind having improvements for bikers and walking, but this is NOT the answer. People do not drive fast on this road, we need more visibility (flashing lights, as an example) for the crosswalks. Color in the bike lanes is fine, but the dividers are distracting and do not help - they are only in certain areas where there are many stop signs already so cars are not speeding through that area. Makes no sense.
Nothing

Nothing
Nothing. This is the most horrible idea and a total waste of money. I have donated to ecology action for several years and if this is how they spend my hard earned money, then I will not be donating in the future.
I like the green painting to mark the bike lane. I think that is a great improvement.
Nothing, it was a waste of county funds. Very sad.
Nothing
None of it
Safer for kids. People Drive like assholes.
That it might possibly leave and ease the traffic congestion.
NOTHING!! it is the worst!!! I'm a business owner on Portola and this has SERIOUSLY affected my business in the most negative way.
Nothing, ruining the town
Safer bike lanes for my family
Separation of bike lane from car lanes
Nothing
That it's temporary
Didn't attend
Nono
Safer for bikes and pedestrians! Reclaim our public space from cars!
None
Nothing! It was better before & did not need to be changed! Traffic is now HORRIBLE where before it was fine.
Nothing
Absolutely no part of it. All for bike and walking safety but you have missed the mark here.
None
The three way stop sign at 36th Ave.
Nothing
I didn't like it.
Really nothing-mostly felt annoyed
None
Nothing
None. A 1/2 mile bike lane is pointless. This is obviously the first stage of a unwanted revitalization to appease tourists.
Hoping it goes away ASAP, I've witnessed multiple dangerous encounters and accidents
Nothing I live on 36th I hate it the stop sign at my street might be the best pet
Nothing. As a driver it made for a very unpleasant experience.
Nothing it was really distracting and felt like everyone was confused
Nothing
None
n/a
The green paint identifying the bike lane
That the county is testing ideas.
Nothing!! It is causing unnecessary traffic in an already over congested town!! Get rid of it ASAP!
Nothing. It creates more traffic that is unnecessary. We already have over congestion from out of town, we don't need more local traffic. Just get rid of it please. What is wrong with the regular biking lanes we have throughout town. Walkers should be using the sidewalk anyways.
Taking it down
Very sorry, not a single thing.
I didn't like any part of this experience.
The stop sign at 36th ave
I didn't know there was any such event, only that my road got way more confusing the week before.
Shocked by the stupid ideas people have !
I like the stop sign at Portola and 36th avenue and not much else.
Leaving it
Seeing people get out and experience community together!
nothing
Stop sign and 36th and Portola
that it is almost over. Please remove the really ugly purple designs from our neighborhood. This caused unnecessary gridlock and -by the way- more noise and air pollution. This really makes zero sense and is not needed.
None
NONE
Getting to provide feedback asking for input. I feel this should have been done before messing with people's traffic. Especially when there's road work all over the county and driving to necessary places is already taking longer.
Nothing - waste of \$ for unwanted lane closures
Community working together
Safety. I'm a bicycle commuter, and at least 3-5x per week I either yell at, or physically kick, vehicles that illegally and dangerously cross into the bike lane, either turning right or just not paying attention.
Nothing

I like the white flexible dividers along the bike lane...reminds me to look for bicyclists.
None
It's removal
Having the bike lanes repainted is great but we need to have Portola be four lanes not two lanes
Nothing
That it is temporary and hopefully will be removed soon.
THAT IT WILL BE REMOVED.
No good parts, traffic is a nightmare. Portola is a major road since E cliff is one way. It has added time to my commute just sitting in traffic, where as there was no complete stopped traffic before on portola. We have had more traffic through Pleasure Point neighborhoods of people avoiding portola.
Nothing is. I hardly ever see bikes or peds on Portola. Don't make this change permanent because people want to cross the street to get to ONE business
Stop sign at 36th Ave and Portola Dr.
slower cars!
Three way stop sign at 36th Ave
A much more user friendly streetscape with everything moving at a human oriented pace. Hinted at Barcelona Spain, the improvements made in Kings Beach Tahoe, and other thoughtfully created civic infrastructure both new and old.
None. This experiment was a complete failure!
No comment. Do your job, Manu.
There is no favorite part. It's ugly, it's creating more traffic, it's negatively affecting businesses.
Nothing. It all sucks. Terrible waste of space and terrible traffic. I've loved on 38th Ave for the last 13 years and this has created a nightmare.
Nope
future when it disappears
None
There is not one. The congestion makes this event horrible and unsafe for everyone involved
NOTHING
It will end
Trying new things is good, but this clearly did not work. Put a stoplight at the intersection of 41st and portola if you want pedestrians to feel safer
Nothing
Nothing
Love any improvements that keep our bikes and pedestrians safer. The traffic back up is a problem, but their are ways around it.
Do not like
None of it.
None
Nothing. I thought it was ridiculous and a waste of tax payer money
None of it
Confusing
It's good to see the volume of cycles at the event
Waste of tax payers money But hey at least it funds stupid ideas
Didn't go to an event
Great to test but this currently has no favorites at the moment
Nothing
Loved the painted streets and the curved barriers- aesthetically pleasing!
Not
None
"Favorite Part?" I have heard differing opinions about it, from, 'It's for bike and pedestrian safety,' to 'It's to make people get out of their cars,' to 'It's to inconvenience car traffic,' Blah Blah Blah. So my favorite part is that it is TEMPORARY because Portola did not NEED any of these modifications.
It doesn't work go out their and check out all the traffic it's created. Now I take different streets to get to the point. Awful design
It exhibits perfectly how our County Supervisors can't formulate rational decisions about our neighborhood. First, the Live Oak parking permit program is dismantled, and now vehicular traffic is made more congested and dangerous right at the start of summer? Don't forget who pays your taxes. WE DIDN'T ASK FOR THIS AND WE DON'T WANT IT!
I like that the bike lanes are somewhat protected.
n/a
It creates a safe place to walk around I personally have almost been hit on that road many times because there is no stop sign
Nothing. It will cause too much traffic for the already congested area.
It's all shit. Everything about it sucks from the stupid purple paint in the road to the unnecessary stop sign u put up, and especially the way you completely fucked up the driving lanes creating tons of traffic and dangerous merging. CHANGE IT BACK AND FIRE WHOEVERS IDEA THIS WAS
Brought the community together to voice their opinions
Nothing
There is no favorite part its a stupid wast and aeyesore
It's not permanent

The stop sign at 36th and Portola is the only good part - a definite safety improvement for all.
nothing what a waste of money
It is ALL NEGATIVE!
Nothing
Get rid of it.. and put stop signs at 37th and 3way stops Signs at 26th. We live at 26th and Portola, there are numerous accidents. Please
It was an important first step.
Nothing.
None!!!
none
Favorite part? Really? I've lived on the point for 30 years. This is not a good move for the local residents. Business and bikers gain the most. Local residents are going to have to deal with an enormous amount of traffic being dumped into their neighborhoods. The traffic throttling is going to be horrific on weekends. Most of the traffic is from outside our area - they are not bikers and not walkers. They are here to surf. Take this crap out.
I do like the coloration of bike zones and intersection markings.
NOTHING
None
None
That I didn't see it.
There is one. I strongly dislike it!
Class A bicycle infrastructure - green way and physical barrier at bike lane
I will really enjoy when you take it down
I really like it all! I love that there are fewer lanes of traffic, which slows people down, and I really like the stop sign at Cat and Cloud
I have no favorite part. It should be removed. It is an obstacle course for drivers and bicyclists alike
The stop sign at 36th.
?
Watching people paint the turns with the purple. (Before it was fully installed)
That is is (hopefully) only temporary.
The stop sign at 36th means people can park in the lot across from cat and cloud - great for them since they don't have to pay for it
nothing, this project is a waste of tax payer money
Talking with neighbors about how frustrating it is to drive down Portola Dr.
No thank a good experience for me
Nothing good will come from this project. More vehicle congestion and more animosity towards others on the road and bicycles. This might be nice for walking pedestrians, but horrible for commuters (by car or bike).
Nothing
NOTHING TAKE IT AWAY
Stop signs on 30th
Nothing
I like the stop sign at 36th and Portola. That's it.
No favorites ... poorly informed, poorly executed & Without appropriate root analysis, without that there is no problem solving!!
None. would only use if the changes were mandatory and permanent. that would leave us no choice.
The new barriers are attractive and very visible for further reinforcement of the bicycle lanes. But the subtraction of the extra motor traffic lanes make zero sense! I live in the neighborhood and ride my bike / drive my car about 50/50. I never had a problem on my bicycle before "the improvements", but "the improvements" definitely make driving a car much more frustrating. As a bicyclist, one of the most dangerous situations is a frustrated motorist.
Less cars more people outside enjoying their day.
Reasons to go out of the home.
Nothing. This is a terrible idea.
This area was not a problem before. There was plenty of room for bikes, walking and cars. The focus for a safe bike and walking path should be on E. Cliff between 12th Avenue and & 7th Avenue. That is where the dangerous area is.
It's lame
Nothing! Please bring back Portola Dr.! Much better for summer traffic. I've never had an issue walking or biking on Portola Dr.
Not in favor of any of it.
No comment.
Absolutely nothing
N/A
I like the idea behind it. Pedestrian and bike safety - but this was really messy. Needs to be rethought
NA
People gathering
nothing
nothing
N/A
not much, I just live here
None of it.
It will be seeing if removed
Nothing it's caused major problems!!!!!! People hate it!!

Absolutely nothing. It's terrible. Causing traffic and blocking lanes for cars while bikes already had plenty of space before made no sense to me why this change was made
I don't have a favorite part
Nothing
Nothing
Safer cycling
I don't have a favorite part
Slowing traffic and providing clear roads for bikes
The green markers on the ground for bike lane
.
Definitely great that this is being tested out.
Nothing it's terrible confusing and takes way more time
It is a perfect example of a stupid waste of money and hopefully will get more people excited about something that could really make a difference (rail trail)
nothing
None of it is ok.
Not applicable.
Nothing. Please put our cities money to better use by addressing serious issues like the homeless epidemic and our incredibly high crime rate
NA
I think the idea is fun. I like the creativity in the intersection street mural
there is no favorite, your dieting of the traffic in mid summer was not a good move. Traffic is backed up in both directions on 38th and Portola. There driving thru neighborhoods now!!
I appreciate that there is movement toward implementing improvements to make the roads safer and more efficient for cars and cyclists.
Favorite thing about the event is how the community has come together in being very angry about this installation.
I support interaction to reduce speeding in the area is needed however this is certain not a solution to that issue
Safety, less chaotic environment for everyone, comfort, people seem happier, less stress, less likely to be injured, better for the environment, beauty of the thoughtful design. It is brilliant!
Provides safe passage for cyclists. Should have this everywhere!
None
Nothing
It is not needed. There is no reason to change it from two to one lanes and will just cause traffic through the east side that is no needed
None of it. But Living right on the street mean I will have to use it either way.
It's a cute idea but those wave barriers are horrible - nearly half of those barriers have fallen over into the bike lane making the bike lane more hazardous than driving in the car lane.
Nothing
This is a terrible demonstration event
Stop sign at 36th is the only benefit for safety
The exclusive space for people to walk and bike
nothing.
Nothing
Nothing. It's all beyond stupid.
Nothing
NOTHING!
Nothing
The stop sign at 36th
Stop sign at 36th Ave & Portola. Much safer for everyone.
Narrow car lanes and tighter radius on the corners; and protected bike lane
This is a first grade - feel good question. It doesn't apply. Good form follows good function.
Nothing. Creates too much traffic and I already felt safe biking on Portola
No favorite , just popped up, and it was confusing , why not try the green lanes first
None
This needs to be removed
It will be watching it get taken out.
Nothing, it useless and unnecessary. The artwork is unattractive and waste of tax dollars.
Nothing
Nothing
There is not part that is my favorite. This is a waste of my tax dollars. Living in Pleasure Point for over 50 years, there are 2 ways to travel out... via East Cliff or Portola. This has made Portola very unnavigatable. not impressed at all... never really saw that many bikers along Portola between 36th & 41st. This has only heightened traffic and will be a horrible situation if permanent. the only good thing is the stop sign at 36th to slow down traffic.
Nothing. Waste of time and \$\$\$
There is no good things coming out of this demonstration. The only thing it is causing is frustration among all parties
I don't have one

Nothing.
None
None!!!!
That you wasted our money
Nothing....horrible idea
After going through once I determined I would avoid the route as long as it's in it's current state. If I'm walking or riding a bike it's on E Cliff, not Portola.
Don't like it
I am an avid cyclist and bike portola several times per week. I would much rather our local government focuses on getting the rail/trail completed. This experiment is a waste of tax payer dollars, focus on the rail trail....learn from city Santa Cruz there bike trail is awesome and exactly what we need
The wavy bike barriers.
Paint art on ground
That it's hopefully temporary. Please listen to the locals they are not fans of the installment at all
I'm quite disappointed in this from a Bikers point of view. The white waves give the bike lane less room between them and curb. Have to navigate around giant sand cone which was partially blocking bike lane entrance at 38th and Portola and some of waves were broken and sticking up. Dangerous. Also seems like there were more cars as there was only 1 lane. why not green bike strip and bring back 2 lanes.
Question 15 is very poorly written . We will all need to use it from time to time but I would avoid using it as much as possible which means I will be cutting through the Nieghbor hoods. Which is terrible. If there is money to use towards roads then we should be repaving them instead of causing more traffic
None.. would have been cooler if planned better, one side for bikes to keep room for cars and teach the installers how to paint! Although this seems to be a good idea, traffic is even more congested. Delineators prevent a safe left turn from our apartment (between frenchy's and pleasure point market). The single lanes increased traffic flow and cause confusion, We have almost been hit or had bicyclists hit us since this installation occurred. The main issue we see when walking to coffee in the morning are: 1. the bike logo's painted on the asphalt are spotty and runny (either didn't stir the paint or watered it down). Some lane dividing lines are orange (old) and the new ones are yellow. Truly the poor paint job is an eyesore. The plastic waves are a nice touch but as a temporary fixture some have already become trash for being so close to turns and leaving them as trash in the street, Be Safe, Dr. Bret Barker, DNP, FNP, RN 831-737-8275 41ST and Portola Dr. Santa Cruz, CA 95062
i think the stop sign added by the chinese restaurant and cat n cloud coffee " intersection " was good for pedestrians and bikes.
Having it end
none at all
The only good thing about this is the stop sign at 36th Avenue. The parking of cars right next to the one lane of traffic looks dangerous as people open their doors, plus parking cars will further slow traffic.
None. I bicycle frequently and don't feel this limited portion of Portola is necessary.
The only positive is that there is a large safe bike lane. But, I don't bike down Portola. I bike through the neighborhoods like everyone else should.
No favorite part. I don't like it
I don't mind the purple paint
The hope that it is temporary and shows that Ecology Action has no place in traffic engineering.
Knowing it is temporary. It is a horrible design. Bottlenecking and increasing traffic tremendously by having one lane as through traffic and the other for lefts.
Nothing
This survey
That it's temporary.
The added stop sign
NOTHING
Nothing
None of it.
Nothing
nothing
None
Nothing
The fact that it's temporary is my favorite part. The stop sign should stay even though it's so dumb for anyone trying to leave the parking lot
You fucked traffic up
Hate it. Its a mess
While driving, once I got over the initial confusion from the change, the setup of the driving lanes was easier to understand and navigate at busy times than the usual layout.
it's so hideous and makes the traffic so bad which makes biking WAY scarier, the backed up cars on the roads makes biking worse. and there's already sidewalks for walking. so dumb
Nothing.

I live a block away. I walk everyday or ride a bike or motorcycle. While it gives more room and visual appearance, it is causing traffic at 41st and Portola that is already a problem for pedestrians and drivers. It also is causing a jam with the new stop sign. People merge quickly when they realize they are in the wrong lane. I walk DAILY. The sidewalks are fine except at 38th and Portola where there is no side walk. I use the button with the newer pedestrian signs and drivers are good about stopping. If you are trying to slow people down, you've increased traffic at 38th and Capitola which have issues as well. This is not the right approach.
nothing it's all bullshit
The sign that says honk if you hate the Portola road change
Honestly, nothing about it is helpful.
The fact that every time I drive by another one of those curvy things is on the ground.
Interesting
I do like the paint on the ground and some of the barriers that keep the cars separate but this is so over the time it is ridiculous & makes the drive ugly. Uglier then it already was actually.
I don't like it at all. I would love to have it taken down.
No part of it
The only thing I could see being maybe helpful is the crosswalk at Portola and 36th but leave it at two full lanes. Also if you're going to add green striping to the bike lanes, make it consistent with the rest of the city/county.
None of it
That we can voice our opinions about how bad these so called "improvements" suck big donkey balls
I'm okay with colorful paint indicating bike lanes, and the wave dividers are fine
I only like the stop sign
Did not attend
The stop sign on 36th is a positive change
Nothing
Nothing
The project is simply too much.
Community comment
The barriers between bikes and cars
How much it made me shake my head at how silly the City was.
I didn't attend.
nothing
Nothing
Nothing
NA
I bike to work using Portola Drive and I'm very happy to see the county improving the roads for bicycle use.
None
I don't have a favorite part. It's terrible.
That it is temporary. Why try to measure the benefits to cyclists and pedestrians on Portola? One of the few cross county roads that actually has wide sidewalks and bike lanes on both sides of the street as well as multiple crosswalks.
Nothing. Waste of time and money, causing increased vehicle traffic and exhaust. It's already a safe place to be on a bike or a pedestrian, I bike and walk on Portola all the time and with my young children. There is a bike lane and sidewalks already!
How the barriers block the fire lanes. (What kind of question is?)
Nothing, previously, Portola had side walks, bike lanes and two lanes each way. Street lines & bike lanes just need fresh PAINT to be visible. No huge costs are warranted
Nothing I hate it! It increases traffic and will cause an accident from distracted driver trying to figure out what the hell is going on at the same time as they are merging for no reason. There was plenty of safe biking area before this.
NONE IT IS HORRIBLE
I like the color idea but its become a huge distraction..
Nothing. It backs up traffic even more than usual
People trying to creatively problem solve.
Nothing needs to go back to what it was like before
Absolutely nothing. It's horrible. Take it down early.
The stop sign at 36th
I love how all of the plastic pieces from the bike lane barriers are broken and spreading all around the street. I also loved the heavy increase in traffic due to the reduction to the single lane road. Makes summer traffic even worse
The stop sign at 36. It was way overdue
When it is taken down. Let's stop fooling ourselves to think that painted lines and flimsy barricades protect bike riders. They don't. We need the unused rail corridor converted into a bike highway.
None of it
Nothing
the ONLY thing I like is the stop sign at 36th and Portola
It ended
I am hugely in favor of more bike/pedestrian infrastructure. I like the green paint and the ample bike lanes.
Seeing what it is like to travel by bicycle through an area and feel safer now, in an area where the car drivers are extremely stressed, aggressive, and dangerous.
N O T H I N G ! ! ! I T ' S A W F U L ! ! !

Nothing. Very poorly planned. A child could see this wouldn't work.
Stop sign at 35th.
Nothing
Nothing. This is a poor idea in an are where there is already a lot of safe space for cyclists and pedestrians. It has created traffic back ups every time I use it, which is often. It has also caused numerous speeding incidents through adjacent neighborhoods with people trying to avoid the installment. This adjustment created a problem where there was not one before.
The only improvement was the stop sign at the cross walk by cat and cloud.
Nothing
Nothing think it's stupid doesn't help anybody just causes more traffic
Zero
The added stop sign!
Hate them. Ugly & inconvenient Tske them down
Nothing
nothing,
I do not like it
Nothing at all , especially the turning lanes
None
I appreciate the effort in encouraging non-vehicle travel. But the bike lanes could just use the green painted lanes and be done with it.
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The colors at the corners. That is it.
Food
Absolutely nothing.
This thing is STUPID. I'm all for increasing walking and biking access but not in main thoroughfares where traffic needs to pass. Every time I've gone through this location with the barriers, and they are barriers, the traffic time and delay is exponentially increased for not much good reason because there aren't a lot of bikes or walkers. It's a poorly planned monstrosity to add to the heavily-trafficked route and does not belong in this location. Please remove it permanently.
NONE
Absolutely nothing!
I like the stop sign at 36th Ave from Portola. That is long overdue. It actually alleviates traffic from people turning onto and out of 36th Ave.
Nothing
Nothing, NOTHING AT ALL.
N/A
It has always felt extremely unsafe crossing Portola at 36th. I have seen both a pedestrian and a cyclist struck by a car not paying attention. Safety has to be a priority- people simply drive too fast and careless on Portola.
The motivation for a safer bike and pedestrian lanes is appreciated and completely needed on Portola Drive. This design is a waste of money, especially if it's tax payer money. I would like to see a better solution by a more qualified urban design team.
Single lane each direction with the center turn lane which allows for extra protection of the folks walking and biking
Cars are not primary but actually SHARE the road with bikes and people and dogs.
Nothing
Nothing. When it goes back to normal will be my favorite. Did anyone actually put time into thinking this shit through??
Nothing
Makes us appreciate having a voice
Did not attend a demonstration
Leaving
Nothing
I like the second stop sign
None of it traffic is and has been horrible, the congestion and lanes changing from single to double is extremely unsafe
Not sure
Blah
Nothing.... Stop trying to fix, what was NOT broken... You back up traffic and made it un safe for all
Insane action by the county
hinders traffic
Nothing it has been a horrible addition in the neighborhood. It has caused traffic significantly more traffic and congestion. Both cars and bikes.
Nothing about it will benefit cars, bikes or pedestrians.
None
It will be over soon.
none. it causes more traffic, which puts pedestrians and bicyclists in more danger.
No favorite, I see no improvement, traffic is worse on portola now.
Nothing. It's awful! Local traffic went from bad to worse. Away with the project.
None, makes traffic navigate through othee neighborhoods that are not designed to take the traffic
Nothing
Absolutely nothing. Makes navigating our town even harder than it needs to be.
Stop sign at 36th ave. Middle turn lane.

Seeing it being torn down by the community.
Nothing. I live in pleasure point and it's completely safe to walk bike or drive the way it was
Nothing. Increase in traffic and more traffic delays
None. Tear this ridiculously dangerous design out.
As I bike to work, I'm not afraid that cars might not see me. I hope this will influence more people to bike.
The signs warning motorists about cyclist in bike lane at right turns into driveways and side streets
none
nothing. the whole project is a bad idea for a major thoroughfare like Portola Drive
Absolutely nothing
That it might dissapt
None, it sucked
You are making the streets assesible for all people. Absolutely love it. Great job.
The stop sign on 36th
It made me late to work
There is no favorite part. I witnessed someone on foot almost getting hit and two cars almost crashing into each other.
Nothing
Nothing
That it's temporary
That it is only temporary! It's horrible.
The whole thing is awful and not useful for cars bikes or people. This is a waste of dollars spent.
Nothing
None, it's awful!
No favorite part. It is all a waste of time and money.
That it will end in a few weeks.
I don't like it.
Nothing!!
Nothing
That it's not permanent
Na
prioritizing pedestrian/cyclist usage
How much hate it is getting
Feeling safer while biking.
Nothing. It's terrible.
Concept was good, poor execution
I do like the idea of possibly re-paving and smoothing out Portola, as it is not a good place to bike currently and I have popped a few tubes because of the roughness of the streets
The green striped bike path
N/a
Not sure
Nothing
Didn't like anything about it.
Nothing
Absolutely nothing
Nothing at all
Dont like it
Nothing
To say the least it awful. It reduces the road and causes more traffic and reduces parking. As well as the bicyclist usually lake the beach route (E. Cliff) not portola. The bike lane do not need that much space.
Nothing. I hate it.
Nothing
N/A
The prospect of a safer and higher valued neighborhood in the future.
Perhaps the bike lane structure provides more protection to bicyclists, but I've never felt at risk when biking on Portola (I bike there regularly).
I like the effort to help improve bicycle and foot traffic but I do not think this should take up the main strip from north to south for vehicles. This time and effort should be reinvested in the Santa Cruz Greenway that does not interfere as consequently with traffic as this concept.
Absolutely nothing. Made everything worse. It's very distracting and confusing and there's more traffic than ever
It's vandalism
I like the idea of making bike lanes safer. I don't think this did that but it is necessary.
I will be honest. I don't like it. But if I had to chose it would be the bike lane painting. Just the painting. Everything else feels too busy and overwhelming. I'm not sure what I'm supposed to be doing with everything else but the paint feels straightforward and harmless.
None, no bikers want to breath exhaust fumes from idling cars.

The purple striped bicycle lane is OK. They have glow in the dark bike paths in Europe. This seems like a good marketer sold the city on a costly product that only makes the situation worse and increase the need for regular maintenance. Such a waste of resources. The area needs housing and better traffic flow for commuters that travel it daily.
Nothing... there are sidewalks already. Take away street parking for the bikes and put in stoplights. Enforce j-walking.
People honking against it.
The newly painted green way, which seems all that is necessary
None it seems the only people allowed to talk were the people for it
n/a
That it's temporary. Put it back the way it was please. So ugly. So weird looking and did not help me watch for bikes or people walking
Nothing, i have no clue as to what you think you are doing
None of it!!! Make it easier for commuters!! What % of the population is going to commute on their bike as a result of this ridiculous costly experiment? How many Wasted hours and gallons of gas sitting and burning to get TO the stop sign? You really think this is an IMPROVEMENT?! GO BACK TO THE DRAFTING TABLE.
nothing! it's going to cause way more traffic, more collisions, and bikers still won't stop at stop signs and be considerate of the DRIVERS on the road who still get consequences even if the biker getting hit was the bikers fault!
It's a bad idea especially the parking spaces on the south side of the street
The stop sign!! More stop signs would slow people down! Put another stop sign at 26th Ave and one at Corcoran Ave so kids/pedestrians can easily get to the library!!!!
That it's temporary, but love the new stop sign added to the street that was smart
That it is temporary
The day it is taken out. I understand that bike lanes should be installed but don't understand how this project is meant to help. It clearly is failing
Nothing
I'm really glad you decided to test something like this before making it permanent. I would recommend that you try even lower fidelity prototypes though in the future. Why not put up renderings of this idea and run a survey? Or have qualitative interviews with community members walking them through this? I didn't see anything like that. It seems pretty obvious to me that this is a bad idea (of course maybe I'm in the minority) and I feel like you could have figured that out before putting the full demo together.
That is temporary
The community involvement
It's horrible
Awful initiative
Nothing
Absolutely nothing
Nothing absolutely trash it also blocking traffic to businesses in the area including my own take this shot down ???
None
Nothing. There was already enough space for cyclists on Portola. This was NOT the street this was needed on.
New stop sign
Nothing. I hope this just temporary. 1. Most bikers will take E Cliff not Portola. 2. When biking the railing makes it difficult to pass slower bikers. calming affect on the traffic
Nothing! The idea is nice but being in it is AWFUL! and this was is the middle of the morning on a week day. Think of when the tourists are here! NIGHTMARE
Seeing that it is bad idea before it could be implemented. The traffic from capitola was backed up whenever I passed due to the confusion
Nothing. Worst idea ever. People should be fired
Nothing. It's horrible
When people tore them out
I appreciate that the city is taking an interest in making what some would call improvements however, I find nothing good beyond that in this new configuration.
Changing Portola down to three lanes. I'm hoping it will slow traffic and allow us to make left hand turns out of our streets.
It gives a protected and real space on the road for bicycles which does not really happen in Santa Cruz. It makes me feel safer and enjoy the ride.
Stop sign at 36th Ave.
New Cross walk installed, but that is all.
Nothing
The added stop signs at 36th are long overdue. That's a dangerous intersection for people on foot and on bikes. (I've almost been hit there on my bike while trying to turn left from Portola to 36th - just by crossing at the crosswalk.)
nothing
it shows people how we don't take responsibility for our own actions we blame others, we need to do something to help , but remember it needs to start with bikers, when do you see bikers stop at stop signs or intersection ? or when do you see them trying to slip in between cars to get around them. they don't want to slow down they are just like cars trying to get some ware quick.
The painted bike path.
The paint is cute.
It's eventual removal.
The color coordinated streets

Nothing positive
None. It's just looks like no one knows what they are doing. Makes SC County public works look bad....and I am a fan of that department and all they do for the residents.
It's good to know that we know now what will not work on Portola.
nothing
Nothing. I like nothing about this project/installation. It's infuriating. Please remove the whole thing ASAP.
Nothing
NOTHING. ITS ALL TERRIBLE. HORRIBLE. BAD IDEA
I only like the stop sign at 36th and would prefer if instead it were a couple of speed bumps between 38th and 30th to prevent speeding. I use this stretch every day by walking, car, AND biking and that's my input. I only feel unsafe with the speeding.
See a change in general, make pedestrian crossings and bicycling safer. I'd prefer if the planning includes ways to keep traffic flowing better while avoiding people use side streets and make those less safe instead
Nothing its horrible
The idea is nice , however, needs to be more thought out with community involvement.
NONE
Pizza
The more painted bike lanes as well as additional parking.
I liked the airy design of the metal waves separating the bikes from the cars.
Wider bike lanes that feel safe enough for kids to ride in.
I hate it
The initiative to try different options to improve safety for cyclists and walkers. (Though every option is not equally good at doing that.)
Visibility & safety
Stop sign at 36th ave
Nothing. It is just wrong and is causing way more danger and congestion.
Nothing this sucks so bad and we need to fix it immediately
It will be when it is removed.
I don't like it!
No part
the community that I live in (Pleasure Point) has completely come together as a result of this project. Unfortunately, for the project, it is two thumbs down. We all want better options for biking but this is not it
It makes bikers safer
Absolutely NOTHING
No
literally nothing
It clearly shows it is a failure.
Again, not to be rude, but honestly the resounding, unified opposition to this project has been my favorite part. It's not too often we see so many people on the same side of an issue as of late.
That it's temporary.
Nothing, having driven through there for 45 yrs it seems a light at 41st & Portola would be the best solution. So many pedestrians now and drivers who don't seem to know when it's their turn make for a cluster suck! I don't expect drivers will get better as they have only gotten worse the last 15 yrs w cell phones and more pedestrians every year soooo... People just need to stop and wait for their light. I get it cuts exhaust and global warming effects from cars but after seeing the round about by pier with lots of pedestrians I don't see it working! All the hoohs is just confusing to someone who doesn't drive it all the time. Plus will probably drive locals through neighborhoods, me for one!!!
Nothing
Awareness of need for safe biking areas
it's not a good plan
Nothing
Separated turning lanes
That it's temporary.
This is a leading, biased question. Clearly this is not accurate research. This question is assuming I liked any if it. I live here, I need to get from my home, to the grocery store etc and you created a giant, colorful traffic jam.
Hate it
That it is not permanent
I actually don't like it..I live in the neighborhood. Portola is a Main surface Street for all of us in the neighborhood to get to capitola. Portola Drive Already has sidewalks and bike lanes why is this necessary? So cat and cloud can have parking? The concept is creating traffic problems please take it down soon
I'm glad community feedback was requested before permanent installation,
I am not in favor of this project at all
the colorful ness
None of it
It's fairly tacky. Why don't you start with fixing all the potholes instead?
Nothing! It's ridiculous and no one will follow it.
Bike lane
Nothing

nothing
That it is temporary! The 4 -Way stop at 36th Ave and Portola is a benefit to all residents who live on 34th, 35th and 36th avenues. However, benefit that will be lost if the traffic levels of service deteriorate as a result of unnecessary traffic backups and excess vehicular stacking at intersections
None
Nothing. Looks like a clown obstacle course.
Nothing it is A nuisance and a waste of everyone's time and taxpayers money
Nothing.
That it's temporary
Do not like
The wavy separators!
Not a positive experience at all
The purple paint on the road
Nothing. You people are donkeys.
Nothing- it's a very bad idea at this location.
Please remove this ASAP
Nothing
Nothing
Nothing.
Nothing, give us back our vehicle lane! There will be insane traffic during summer months because of this stupid project.
I don't like any part of this. I am locked into the bike lane and have been cut of by city buses, had to stop because of pedestrians and cyclists going the wrong way in the bike lane, had to stop to avoid glass that was all over the bike land. This is a horrible idea.
That it's temporary, I don't like one thing about it. I haven't seen anyone walking or biking, just driving (or rather stuck in traffic).
That it really got people pissed off! "Demonstration Event"?!?! More like a screw everything up and piss everybody off event! Look at all the comments on Nextdoor you hacks!
none of it, you have made travel by car on portola a complete nightmare. I live about a mile from this location, I will not travel that part of Portola and I will no longer shop at the businesses I have supported for years because of the traffic nightmare you have created!
that it is only temporary (hopefully)
The green lanes
nothing it suck it now take me an extra 15- 20 min to get to work now.....boo
I like the intention behind it, not the execution.
NA
There is nothing I like about it!
Please don't do this again
I don't like at all. The bike lane and pedestrian walkway is fine but the turn lanes are absolutely ridiculous.
I do like some of the elements used but don't necessarily think that it's the right place for them
I'm glad to see that attention is being paid to the death trap of 41st & Portola. I have no idea what you're trying to do, but what we need is a traffic light. the big problem now remains at 41st & Portola, where there are many popular restaurants and bars. The drivers at the 4-way stop tend to fail to identify who should have the right-of-way, leading to frustration and road rage, with a frustrated driver often lurching out into the intersection. That's the danger: the drivers are focused on each other, while the pedestrians are drunk and/or partying and/or children. That's why the danger of a driver hitting a pedestrian is so alarming and so frequently leads to close calls. Beyond that, the sheer volume of pedestrian traffic is so extreme on weekends and hot weekdays that drivers become frustrated and angry even before they get to the first stop in each lane and have to start trying to assess who (among drivers) has the right-of-way. A light would stop drivers from killing or injuring pedestrians as well as stopping never-ending pedestrian traffic from making life miserable for drivers.
Traffic on Portola has slowed down significantly which is safer for everyone, even drivers.
That most people seem to be on the same page of seeing it taken down. It's a wonderful idea to make areas more bike and pedestrian friendly, but this demonstration is problematic.
I like the protected bike lanes which provide more to find space for cyclists.
No part was positive
That it is temporary.
I truly do appreciate the thought that went into this and I agree that we can adapt over time, but I don't see the value added impact to the area.
Nothing
That it was torn down. Listen to the message residents sent . Who ever thought of this wasted time and money.
Stop sign at 36th and Portola
None
I like the new three way stop sign at the intersection with 36th Ave but it needs better signage or blinking stop signs to alert people of the change.
I like nothing about it.
I am all for protected bike lanes. That part is important.
The wave design for bike lane looks nice
None
No
Nothing

Traffic is now a total nightmare. I actively avoid Portola at all costs...including finding new businesses away from there to do my shopping
Please stop
safety
Nothing it is a horrible idea and increased our traffic issues. It does not benefit anyone. Total waist of money.
None
The buffer between cars and bikes
Nothing
Nothing. It is not safe for anyone
Protected bike lanes
Actually all the controversy. The yelling on next-door oh my! It exposes how fragile the power structure here is (car drivers) and how threatened they are by change.
None. Totally unnecessary and burdensome for all
Nothing
Fuck off you fucking idiots
I like how the community came together to fight this gentrification.
My favorite part is that it is only temporary. I would hate for this to be the permanent configuration
None of it! It's awful and a mess and literally this is bipartisan....NOBODY WANTS THIS MESS!!!! It's an emphatic NO!
Nothing
None
The added stop sign at 36th to make crossings safer. It was a terrible crosswalk prior to
That it is temporary
Protected lanes definitely help safety wise
Did not attend the event.
Colorful skdewalk
None
Nothing
The fact that it is temporary
That it's temporary and will be gone soon! Hat a waste of time, energy and resources.
My favorite part will becwhen it reverts back to the way it was
I like the colorful markings, but they distracted me.
The improvements to public safety for pedestrians and cyclist
No favorite part. Absolutely ridiculous that this was put into place without any public input.
As a bicycle rider, I feel safer. The only difficulty is crossing to go South on the Avenues. Bikes have to go back out into traffic lanes to make a left turn when going from 41st to 38th etc.
Nothing
improved bike lanes
Nothing. I've avoided the area since the changes.
None
Slowing the speeders and hot rodders down when leaving the stop sign at 38th Ave. heading in the downtown direction... Now that there is a stop sign in front of Cat and cloud coffee shop they are now speeding off of that stop sign.
Nothing
That you asked for feedback from the community in an open and transparent way.
protected bike lanes
nothing
Nothing
The last question seems especially leading, like who wouldn't use portola? If they were made permanent they would be used.
I live off of Portola and i love the concept but it is a terrible spot for it and has caused extreme traffic and with the summer months and more tourists in town its made it almost unbearable and hard to leave my home and getting onto Portola. There are more people and walking in the road where the cars are - it gave them more space to walk and now its like they feel more Entitled to walk in the lanes where its not safe to be.
Taco
Nothing it sucks
Stop sign at 36th ave
My small child could ride on portola
None.
Colors :) I am sure you know that the majority of voices will be those who have a bone to pick. They just have more passion and this reason to give feedback. Highly recommend in-person 1-1 surveying if your staff is able. Also: asking if a "version" of this is desirable v "exactly this"
Nothing
When it gets taken down!!
that it slows down the speed of cars driving, and is safer for people in the neighborhood driving in and out of the avenues onto and off Portola Dr.
the safety factor
Slowing vehicles. Traffic calming in this section for pedestrians also reduced speed.

Not a fan
Environmental issues
Nothing
The solidarity if the community in saying NO.
Creating a safer designated space in the street for waking and biking make this feel like a more useful option
To many people
More signs to make drivers remember to watch for cyclists
The green and white bike lane ONLY!
Na
nothing
Nothing is is not progress, it made the road worse. Just the bad asphalt by 35 and Portola and save my tax dollars for other road repairs and skip this nonsense.
Bike infrastructure
nothing
Nothing unfortunately.
The only thing I like is the added stop sign at 36th and Portola. Much safer to cross the street and safer to make a left from 36th on to Portola.
Reducing to a single lane each way and more separation between cars and pedestrians/cyclist. Also slowing down traffic.
Nothing, it needs to go
More room for bikes, protected bike lanes, keeping bikes off the sidewalks for pedestrians. I love it.
Nothing
No favorite part. I have lived very close by for 33 years. I walk Portola and Pleasure Pt but mostly drive. I use Portola a lot.
The stop sign at 36/Portola
Nonev
N/A
na
Nothing!!
The colors
I feel safer on my bke.
nothing
That it is temporary, and that the public have the opportunity to "test" it and respond.
Don't like it
The fact that the county is promoting bicycling over driving and keep pedestrians safe
The only good part is the stop sign at 36th Ave. everything is horrible
When it gets taken down.
It slows cars down and makes in safer for everyone involved
Nothing
I like that there is an effort to create safe separate bicycle and pedestrian lanes!
it was a horrible failure
the stop sign at 35th is good, with the turn lane.
Nothing
There
Nothing
None
Get people out of cars
Making changes instead of being indecisive.
Nothing.
Nothing
How mad everyone is about it 😡 and all of the comments from the community
Nothing
I hate everything about it, I say this as a Pleasure Point local for 30+ years
None. I don't like it.
nothing, the sooner its removed the better
That it's temporary.
Community participation.
No
A colored bike lane.
None of it, terrible foresight.
I do NOT like it. I am a Pleasure Point home owner and I've lived here over 20 years. This new arrangement is NOT what we want here at all.
did not attend, because I have a job that I commute to.
Nothing about it is good at all
Nothing
I don't like any of it. I am definitely going to use it because I live here and it can't be avoided.
Awareness and alternative transportation focus

Nothing. It's truly awful/poorly planned.
Waste of \$\$\$\$\$\$
It is temporary.
I'm heartbroken to hear about the increased vandalism, and aggressive negative response to this temporary installation. I love the idea of making the streetscape more people, kids, bikes etc. friendly--and less car dominate. Please don't stop trying to make our community better. Thanks!
I appreciate the idea of a "test run". I hope this project is evaluated by a wider range of residents, most of whom use this by car.
Nothing
Nothing
The pizza. No one was allowed to voice a negative opinion. We are doing that now. What happened to the Save Pleasure Point street plan for Portola that we worked on for two years. This plan is being foisted on us by bike org. that is not part of Pleasure Point. Most of us use cars to get on to Portola, not bikes.
Not a darn thing. Get rid of it. Do bicyclists pay license fees? Road fees? Why are you catering to them? Tax them just like you do motorists,
Nothing
There is nothing great about it. There were no issues before. I have walked, biked and driven Portola for the past 12 years without any incident. I remember one bad car crash and that was further up on 30th... There is no need for this.
Terrible idea. Stop trying to force us out of cars. We voted with our pocketbooks - they are more expensive and we still choose cars. Get a clue and instead of making it HARDER, make it easier for cars or you will be voted out.
it's temporary
It slows down traffic and gives turn lanes.
Love the free flowing artistic expression, it's almost like being inside of an art installation piece, and it causes traffic to proceed at a lower speed-closer to the speed limit. It's about time we made a very serious commitment to shifting the emphasis from vehicle transportation to biking and walking. This goes a long way toward that, and in a fun way.
Nothing it is a very sneaky way to do something. Not having community approval before doing this is COMPLETELY WRONG.
None
Nothing
It being over!
nothing
Slowed the cars down. Made it more pedestrian and bicycle friendly.
n/a
Seeing people outside and not hiding at home!
n/a I wasn't at any 'event' but I have used the street in this current state.
I like the wider bike lanes, but they need to be more clearly marked. The other stuff is distracting. Just stick to bike lane.
Not good
Did not like any of it
It sucks. So much traffic. Do not make it permanent!! I am all for bikes but we need to keep portola 2 lanes, people can bike on east cliff and will always bike on east cliff, no need for portola.
The increased safety for bikers and pedestrians crossing Portola at 36th Ave. with a 3-way STOP SIGN.
Nothing. It should have been voted upon by the local residents not installed out of nowhere as a supposed fun trial
That it's temporary
?
I hated all of it
I don't have a favorite part. Whoever designed it has no sense of taste. It's so ugly it takes away from the small local businesses that have been on that street for years.
stop sign at 36th ave.
that it's not permanent
It is a waste of time and money that should be put toward getting rail trail done
I like meaningful steps toward making my neighborhood more bike-friendly.
Bicycle safety is my constant concern when riding on Portola and I definitely felt safer in the demonstration project. Until we have GreenWay, this is very helpful when riding across county.
The fact that it not permanent.
Knowing I will avoid the area until the experiment is completed.
Its removal in the very near future
None
There is nothing "favorite" about this - it actually appears to be more dangerous by confusion from drivers
None
The fact that it is temporary.
Feels much safer biking
There is no favorite part.
Ingenuity and artistic paint and barriers...not the flow of traffic.
Hate it
Seeing that someone ripped it out and threw it up on the sidewalk to be honest with you. Bring the 4 lanes back.
Horrible experience !
None

Brought the community together
It shows that bike/ped improvements can be done cheaply
There was no favorite part. I tried to get out of the Pleasure Point Pizza parking lot and I hit one of the plastic pipes that someone had already run over. This whole idea is not well thought out. We cannot take up 2 lanes for 1 small bike - really - come on Manu!
Absolutely nothing. Get rid of it please.
temporary
That it is temporary and a trial.
Nothing
Nothing good about it very unsafe for all involved
I hate it, it sucks
Stop sign at Portola and 36th
Absolutely nothing, looks like a child came up with this garbage. Who is in charge of making these decisions at the county? Whoever it is should resign
Nothing
Terrible idea, traffic more dangerous for bikers.
The new stop sign on 36th
Nothing
No favorite. Traffic will be negatively impacted. Portola/Soquel/ hiway 1 are the only routes south as it is. Now that back up will be worse!
N/A
This is a horrible, embarrassing waste of resources. The traffic in Santa Cruz is such a problem already, and this is making it so much worse. I've seen people almost get hit, because it is so unclear what is happening with this 'project'. Please just stop and put resources to better use.
nothing, if it dangerous for bike riding, it would help if they'd all obey the rules of the road.
Separation of bike lane from vehicular traffic
Nothing
The new paint for bike lane and pedestrian crossings as well as the new stop sign where it was only a pedestrian crossing.
Raised white panels to protect bicycle riders and paint on street
how presumptuous of you
None
My favorite part is that this is temporary.
None
Please undo what has been done and get actual community input.
That it is temporary
i believe we should discourage auto use. period. we should promote more bike us. i find this encouraging but i despair koenig and politicians like him don't understand the dynamics of fossil fuel transpo v biking and walking. we need streets dedicated to bicycle/walking
Good to try something out abs recognize it's faults
None of it
I appreciate that we are trying it out prior to larger outlays and that you are soliciting feedback and will hopefully incorporate it to make a better sense be product. It also limits speed of cars
Watching the kids smashing into around and through the obstacles
I dislike all of it.
I think it's neat testing is happening to see what works. I think the biggest failure was not understanding the current traffic flow and designing with that in mind. It seems like a plan was copy pasted onto a random street.
That there is a test for a solution
Nothing at all.
It compares to Pacific Ave Downtown. It seems bare at this time. With some fill in with Potted plants, trees and benches it would be nicer. Also events, music and vendors.
None
It has nicely slowed the pace of traffic down in this area, making it seem less hectic and safer for all.
I hate everything about this. Bikes have always been able to ride on eastcliff nearby. I know that samta cruz caters more and more to wealthy tech elites with free time but this project is such a slap in the face to the few remaining working class people in santa cruz who actually have to go to work in the morning.
Wasn't there.
nothing it is terrible
None...
That it proves traffic worked better before this event and I have seen maybe 2 bicycles in the 10 trips I've made, so I say this experiment should be terminated.
hated it all
Absolutely nothing!
No favorite part, very frustrating
Nothing. Bottle necking traffic coupled with confusion of lane use. More then locals use the route adding to confusion. Grid locks traffic compounding congestion. Cyclist still use roadway to transit the area. No demonstration of improved safety. No proof of pre existing harm to the public. Last fatality was in the mid 70's

Na
Nothing. Our area keeps making major traffic corridors shrink. I am considered elderly, over 65, and I will not get on my bicycle and risk my life either by falling or getting hit.
Terrible.
nothing was favorable biking, walking and driving were better before it got messed up with the changes
I d like the bike areas but the turn lanes are over the top IMO.
There are NO redeeming factors about this change. It is not beneficial for anyone or for the community.
Nothing
I am very glad there is a stop sign on 36th and separate turning lanes on portola
Love that this makes biking safer for my family. I think it will make the area more accessible to pedestrians which will increase foot traffic to local businesses. Having more bike friendly access in Santa Cruz is so awesome!!!
I think the fact that an effort is being made to make bicycling safer in Santa Cruz and Capitola.
It's ugly
Nothing
I love the improved safety of the separated bike lane. I don't care about the additional parking, but I understand it's a nice for local businesses. I also think the driving experience is improved. I've seen fewer people speeding since the changes were implemented.
None
Nothing
Easier to See walkers bikers. Good way to slow traffic down
Nothing
It is temporary
I don't like traffic delays but like the added bike safety. As long as we do not get the "critical mass bike extremists like San Francisco "
Nothing
The whole idea is nonsense
I finally feel safe while riding my bicycle. I wish we had separated bike lanes everywhere!!
Nothing. It's a horrible idea.
Nothing it's horrible
I don't like anything about it.
When it's taken away!
I am sorry, but I don't have one.
Nothing
the pink/purple paint design looks cool
The purple paint is pretty but also confusing.
Nothing
The frozen pizza .
That it isn't permanent
Stop sign at 36th is perhaps worth retaining.
This is the worst design I can possibly imagine. I'm totally in favor of providing safe routes for pedestrians and bicyclists but this isn't safe at all. Let's just focus on getting the rail trail route completed and that will make me satisfied.
Thats it temporary
Nothung
The idea is there, the execution was so poor it's embarrassing. Looks like a construction zone without the workers to guide you through it.
Nothing. It's a waste of time and money.
The stop sign at 36th.
I think one lane each way plus center turn land is a much more efficient use of space than two lanes each way.
Nothing, it's horrible in every way
Nothing I can think of
None
The fact that the host wouldn't allow people at the meeting to speak out against this atrocity. Extremely biased event
That it's temporary
Nothing. Very non professional design.
the addition of a stop sign at portola and 36th
Nothing
Nothing.
nothing
Better flow for people and bikes
Makes me feel safer riding my bike! This is the main reason I don't ride my bike in SC....! I don't feel safe. I worry someone will hit me and my baby. So I hope more things like this will take place.
That it's only temporary and will be gone soon.
Being able to experience the plan as put down on paper - safer bike streets!

This survey was a little biased, not allowing for true comment. I was disappointed to ride my bike through a lane with scattered rail pieces b/c someone did not have the foresight that Velcro would be an insufficient barrier. I don't know that cyclists need a 3 foot rail next to them while they ride, and if that is part of the permanent plan, but the reduced lanes and more rooms for bikes was welcome. There are quite a few driveways and I would encourage thought on cars having to stop before turning into one of the dedicated bike lanes.
Can't say I really liked anything about it
I like the fact that it slows down traffic and makes more room for bicyclists. This road narrowing is long overdue!
Keep the bike lane but DO NOT reduce road to 1 lane
None
That is will soon be taken down.
I didn't enjoy it at all. And for from what I'm hearing from other residents they are very frustrated with more change to this neighborhood
I like the physical barriers for the bike lane, but why make Portola one lane?
I just like that it slows cars down, people drive too fast on portola
nothing - step backwards
Nothing, ITS SILLY AND ODD
The demonstration event is 100% terrible.
The compressing Portola to a 2 lane road all the way. Eliminated the ability of drivers to speed down the 4 lane section.
None
I hate it, leave local parts of Santa cruz alone. Preserve Santa Cruz, don't metropolise it
Nothing, this is a horrible idea.
I nothing, it's a negative change.
Love the painting on the ground to extend the curbs! I do think this concept might work better in a different area where needed but it is not needed on Portola where it is!
Protected bike lane makes the street feel more like a community. I would be more likely to stop and shop whether in my car or my bike.
laughing at it
Nothing.
There's nothing acceptable about! Except the stop sign and cross walk next to Cat and Cloud!
Are you Kidding ! Get rid of the bottleneck before you hurt someone & or kill the local merchants !
Improved safety for cyclists and motorists as well
great improvement, made riding a bike much safer.
Nothing
The only thing I like about it is the stop sign at 36th. I don't like anything else about it.
Single lane for cars
none I don't like it at all!
n/a
nothing
Absolutely nothing good about this mess, and the 200 people that encouraged this either were bikers, or (like you Manu, don't live on the East side of town.....get interview 200 people who live in Pleasure Point (that have been there more than ten years) and see what they say! Yep....It was a crazy thing to even spend the money with this horrible experiment!
I use Portola every day by car and bike, and some days on foot. Biking with my 5 and 1 year-olds on back of the bike feels far safer with the bike lanes.
Ha, knowing it will end soon. It's only a couple of blocks long what did you expect to happen in such a short version? This made it more congested, cars are closer to the bikes the entire way and some motorists are driving more aggressively I believe due to the changes.
None, get rid of it.
I don't see any benefit to it. Even the art work is out of place. Pink and purple Pepto-Bismal looking painting on the asphalt seems completely out of place and confusing. Note, too, that it makes the mail box in front of Coffeetopia much more difficult to use. One must enter the parking lot and park in order to mail a letter.
Did not attend demonstration.
More protection for cyclists
Its attempt to make it safer for bicyclists.
It demonstrates how out of touch our elected officials are. 🙄🗑️
I have no favorite part. This entire idea is not needed. Portola is a heavy automobile street- keep it 2 lanes!
I love that the city is considering how to make walking and biking safer, as someone who rides their bike often I appreciate it, but this isn't it. Can't we just install railing where the bike lanes already exist and not remove entire lanes of the road? Traffic in this town is already becoming unbearable.
Supes trying to look good.
None
The best that can be said is it will be taken down in a month!
My favorite part will be when this stupid demonstration is over and the street is put back to normal. Bike riders need to stop being coddled in this community.
Nothing. I will avoid coming down Portola Drive if the installation is made permanent, and I feel like others will avoid it as well, which will make other streets like Brommer Street much more congested.
To see how bad it is so that it hopefully is not made permanent.
the bike lane modifications are fine. the lane modifications are horrible, dangerous, and inefficient.

Nothing I want it gone before July 21st
I don't like it at all. I felt unsafe and more dangerous
None of it. Too much, it's too confusing and makes the road harder to navigate.
Temporary nature
I support trying to provide attractive and safe spaces for bikes and pedestrians 100%. This project did not accomplish that.
Not at all. Is this even legal?
Stop sign at 36th Ave...that's all, everything else is horrible
Was appalled that there were no senior or physically challenged groups participating.
The bike lane visual barriers are very effective for bike safety. The aesthetics are questionable but ok.
That it ends later this month.
The artwork is nice as it makes it feel more attractive. Although we can add art to the area without blocking the street.
The stop sign at 36th is a good idea. Move the stupid Taco truck by Over the Hill gang bar, so cars can see around it as they merge onto Portola.
It is temporary, hopefully
Temporary/changeable nature. Good to see what it will look like
it showed how car-centric and aggressive the area is
None
Someone took it down
Nothing about this is good
gives more space for walker and bikers and controls traffic
Nothing
I didn't have a favorite part. I just found it distracting, and taking up unnecessary space. It just backs up traffic even more, which is very difficult to get around in Santa Cruz anymore. I've lived in Santa Cruz for 50 years. The traffic is one of the biggest problems we have now, besides homelessness.
Purple markings and wavy and slower traffic
There is a lot to like here. I think the most effective change was the painted bulb-outs to shorten pedestrian crossing distance. This would dramatically improve pedestrian safety if permanently implemented with new curbline. They slow turns, and convey the message to drivers that pedestrians are to be prioritized. The added stop sign at 36th Ave was overdue and helps people cross the street and walk between all the businesses. The improved safety for bicyclists in the eastbound direction was also notable, and appreciated. Bicycling in the westbound direction was improved by the lane delineators, and that should definitely be carried forward.
That the "event" is subject to termination
Looking forward to when it's gone
That it is being tested rather than permanently installed.
None of it. It is swful.
That it supports safer biking!
only positive is bike barrier
Protection for bicyclists.
That it is not permanent
Nothing do not like it at all
n/a
It is great that you are trail running this
it's colourful that's about all. a laudable attempt but why so many colors.
That this mess is temporary
I see no benefit, given the disproportionate downside.
That the public removed the elements of the installation very soon after installation
nothing
Nothing, I do not like it at all. It's confusing, ugly and terrible for the local businesses
i hate everything about it. you're wasting taxpayer money on things that INCONVENIENCE taxpayers. there's already a bike lane. there's already a sidewalk. there's plenty of space for everything so quit fucking with it.
Nothing. It sucks
There was nothing positive
Nothing
Nothing
I love creating space for people over cars
mock up
Nothing it's a huge waste of tax money go feed some hungry children instead
nothing..!
N/a
You seem to have brought the community together. Record 500+ signatures on the petition against it in just a few days. More unpopular than the LO Parking Permit program, which also got highest proportion of PP against it.
I would be forced to use as I live here
everyone protesting it
The 4 way stop and bike lanes are fine. The R and L turn only lanes don't make sense and create traffic
Once I understood that this was a concept trial for changing the walking/biking/driving infrastructure, I decided thumbs down on all of it.

Blowing through your new stop sign and trashing those dumbass cones you assholes put out
Nothing.
I like the stop signs at 36th and Portola.
I have no favorite part because this is a terrible idea. You are making a beautiful, pleasant neighborhood less beautiful and less pleasant. I experienced this both on foot and by car. You are causing long lines of traffic where there didn't used to be traffic. People sitting outside at restaurants are stuck breathing in the air pollution of traffic and listening to the noises of traffic. When walking, it's harder to watch for cars that are turning into driveways. Visibility is diminished when trying to pull out of driveways in the car, which could lead to accidents that would affect pedestrians, bicyclists, and drivers alike.
None
Absolutely nothing
There is none. My entire experience was negative and I view this as the agency being over funded. The road is adequate for current users and this is a useless imposition on those who use this public space.
The safety factor
nothing
It suggests that there are organizations at least considering improving the pleasure point/live oak community
nothing
Nothing bad design
I don't like it at all.
Stop sign at 36th and clearly outlined bike lanes.
The part when it gets taken down.
as mentioned elsewhere I like barriers between vehicles and bicycles, the rest of it (lane reductions, pylons, graphics, construction barrels) just distract and confuse.
Hopefully that encourages everyone in the community to raise their voice and let the County know that the installation was poorly planned.
Enhancing walking access makes our community spaces more human-sized.
NONE
None
That it is temporary and will just amount to wasted \$\$ after its all back to normal.
Stop Sign good. Everything else awful.
None put it back the way it was 2 lanes. Green bike paint
Would there be room for lots of trees?
That it's only temporary
Nothing. I HATE IT
Absolutely nothing, and I'm an artist.
I'm torn between laughing at the folly, and the relief knowing that it is but dust in the wind. Also, it hasn't even been that long and many of the structures are already damaged. That is also amusing. Nice idea, poor execution. Better luck next time.
That isn't permanent
I liked the spirit of experimentation, and testing before something was rolled out
Nothing
The cars being parked on the outside of bike lane instead of between bike lane and sidewalk makes it feel safer - cars aren't zooming by right next to bike lane
increased safety for cyclists
Wasn't able to talk about the negative affects of the new ride & walking closing one lane down only had people that were for it speak, so much for community's input
Nothing
Nothing! This is a hindrance. There are sidewalks and bike lanes. It's hard to shop at those stores, I'll go past as to not get caught in the impossible traffic. Business will suffer
The stop sign on 36th Avenue is the only part of this that makes everyone safer.
NOTHING
Stop sign at 36th.
When hearing this was a temporary experiment. Very sad lower income areas were picked to be the guinea pig. Makes the talks of equity seem insincere.
Nothing
I didn't have a favorite part. Please remove this "demonstration"
You removing it
I like the stop sign at 36th.
Uniting the neighborhood in opposition of it.
Confirmation and reinforcement of the fact that county supervisors and administrators will do anything and spend any amount of money in support of their misguided belief that cars are evil and any action or obstacle they can take that makes it more difficult to use them is justified.
Love to see the foot and bike traffic
Seeing it vandalized periodically
Seeing people kick over the orange blockades and take out the white metal.
There is no part I like. It has made the traffic horrendous, people are irritated and less patient, and the new lanes are rarely used. Please take them down.

none
Absolutely nothing. It's a total shambles
I don't see any positive aspect to call 'favorite'.
I like that you are trying to do something for bicyclists. It just doesn't seem to be the best spot for this.
NOTHING!! Change it back to the way it was!
Traffic seems calmer. I have not heard or visibly witnessed nearly as many cars/motorcycles burning rubber since the demonstration event began. I'm hopeful drivers will return to using Route 1 to travel to north or south county.
None of it. It looks like it was designed and installed by children.
We walk and drive in that area daily. This seems to be slowing down the drivers quite a bit. Crossing the street in the crosswalks is much safer and we are no longer being tailgated driving down the road at or a little above the speed limit like we're poking along on a freeway.
Nothing
Nothing
Being able to safely cross at the new stop sign
Absolutely nothing. They are horribly intrusive and offensive to look at... they are hideous in appearance and create massive confusion as neither drivers or pedestrians seem to understand their purpose. Please remove them! They just create a big traffic jam, which further leads to air and noise pollution. They also now create further traffic problems on side streets that were not designed for through traffic.
I ride this road on my bike often, to commute and support the local businesses along Portola. I feel much safer taking this road now that the lane is partitioned. Thank you! And please keep it up!
None, it's hideous
That it's temporary
No
Nothing
nothing
Didn't enjoy it so nothing was a favorite
Nothing
That it is TEMPORARY
Nothing
That it is temporary and hopefully will be removed soon
The protected bike lanes.
nothing
None
It is the worst idea and waste of money imaginable. You should have polled the locals first. Everybody in the neighborhood hates it. I can't even pull out of my street into Portola...cars won't let me in because it is a mess of confusion and congestion. It makes cars speed up even more so out of frustration. Proof that the County is wasting our tax dollars stupidly instead of fixing the roads.
I think it's a terrible idea, and a waste of money. Now people are cutting thru my street on 26th Ave!
nothing
When it gets removed.
Nothing
I don't like these changes they are distracting to drivers and confusing. They don't make any sense. And make the road more dangerous
I agree w bike lane barriers but they do not need to change the lanes for driving
Well, not a fan of downsizing the road.....I get the idea, but less, is not more in this case....You cannot expect to free traffic by cutting down lanes....Portola dr. is, and always has been a destination shopping area...Appears that this is all about pedestrian safety and not about travel in the area....Pedestrians are probably the biggest problem, too bad ya cannot educate people in the efficient, proper ways to safely cross roads quickly...Most people think it is the law of the land, that when in a crosswalk or even contemplating using one, that it is their "God given" right and that they are safe and really do not care about traffic flow....A major portion of the anxiety at stops, is created by pedestrians lack of common sense and deliberation when crossing roads....Been in the area since 1959....Witnessed many and or all of the repairs and renovations in this area....I suggest repavement and lane adjustments....With slightly bigger sidewalks and bike lanes....I have measured the road from 41st ave. to 26th ave....With some slight leeway problem at 26th ave/portola it could be done.....(I was a member of the PPBA) in the 90's when the RDA was under grounding and beautifying....I still got my plans/map of the street...
That it is considered temporary.
The stop sign at 36th Ave. is not a bad idea and that should be considered to be permanent
nothing
loved the bike safety provided by the barriers and they were attractive and unique to the area.
Nothing
Nothing
Don't have one. I'm glad it's temporary.
More visible corner markings
My wife and I take walks daily which pass through the Portola area. We really have no choice but to use it! My main take-away? This project really slows traffic down, which makes it safer for pedestrians and cyclists. However, the space is being poorly used! Better to gain revenue by installing speed cameras and fining the shit out of motorists who speed!
My favorite part will be when it's not there anymore there are no favorite parts now it's a nightmare

Nothing
Not much. Too many obstacles. Can't see very far ahead to tell where to go/turn/cross. Very confusing. Traffic too slow while driving.
the color coded street and corners
NOT ONE THING
nothing; this is awful.
Nothing
I do appreciate traffic calming devices in the project area. These are clumsy, ugly and impractical.
NOTHING! IT IS HORRIBLE! A WASTE OF OUR COUNTIES MONEY!
Nothing. This is absolutely one of the worst changes made to Santa Cruz recently.
Nothing
That it clearly demonstrated that this is not a good idea. The only positive change would be the addition of the stop sign at 36th and Portola. This clearly forces the vehicles to stop and look for pedestrians or bicycles. The flashing pedestrian sign was an improvement but not good enough to remove doubt.
None, useless project
Waiting for it to end. I don't like the change and vote NO
Nothing
More walkability in my neighborhood
Nothing
Nothing
The stop sign at 36th is a great addition but it's stupid to block access to the flashing pedestrian lights. Both would've perfect
I do not like it. Money should be spent repairing the roads. Patching pot holes etc...
I like the stop sign addition at 36th avenue.
Taking it down on July 21st.
Nothing
NA
Nothing! It is a horrible mistake! Traffic is already bad enough, why make it worse.
Nothing, creates traffic jams
There is no favorite part. The project is dumb and whoever had this idea and actually saw it through should be fired.
New stop sign every thing else can go. This is a waste of our city's money
Nothing. The colored area looks like children used chalk to decorate the street. The curved plastic things are dangerous.
None
a chance to see what might not work!
I like having a turn lane
I am an avid biker, regular marathon trainer runner and driver through this area. Your installation and your demonstration created a divisive culture between the different transportation demographics. Well I completely appreciate the upgraded bike lanes throughout the county that are green and white the Portola installation is a nightmare. You have lost my trust as a community member. The way this Portola pop-up was handled lost my trust in your leadership & representation. The money spent on this could've been better used to create safer roads by repaving them and upgrading the bike lanes with the same green and white paint that happened throughout the county
None
N/A
NOTHING
Not one single thing!
Bicycling is safer. And everyone (motorists, cyclists, and pedestrians) are more predictable.
Was happy to know it is temporary and that we have this great option to provide input
Nothing. Last question isn't fair. Of course I'd use Portola if the changes were made permanent. What else would I do? Want to really improve traffic Flow? Make the changes and connect Brommer and Broadway!!!!
Nothing
hate it all
Absolutely nothing
Honestly nothing and I wish it was not so long.
Nothing, just how screwed up you can make something and hurt neighborhood streets and local businesses.
none
It is unnecessary and causes more traffic on portola and the neighborhood surrounding it.
You deserve credit for trying, but the premise about removing 2 lanes from 26th to 41st. Is flawed. That stretch of Portola needs 4 lanes, not 11 parking places. The existing bike lane is wide enough in both directions. It would be improved by painted green stripes, arrows and bicycles... the same symbol system used in Santacruz on Water street. Please note: I am a frequent bike rider on this neighborhood.
The huge traffic jam it has created
Not attending
Nothing
Nothing, it is terrible planning.
none.
None of it. Take it away.
Nothing

The fact that the design has parallel parking spaces on Portola requires traffic in that direction until a car is parked in the space. Horrible traffic design.
Nothing!
The demonstration event is nothing but lies, starting with the statement that these are "improvements", and then making the presumption that people prefer to ride bicycles. I don't ride a bike!!!!!!!!!!!!
Bad news. HEAVY TRAFFIC CONGESTION. I hated it
Nothing
None!
nothing
Nothing, biggest waste of tax payer money ever. How about adding sidewalk on the side streets like 38th so I don't have to walk in the road.
The end of it
A
Watching Chris's tattoo
The streets look different, but I think the changes will encourage more people to bike around the area.
The hope that it is not permanent.
None
Concept of protecting bikers is great Retrofitting is sometimes not an option- that is the case here The road was not constructed to accommodate a bike lane like this- squeezing one in is like squeezing a balloon- the pressure just shifts to the other side of the balloon That's what's happening here Not practical!
Big green cycling lanes
Slower car traffic.
I think it's very poorly done so I don't have a favorite part. The small amount of painted road is done really poorly and the art is not attractive.
None of it. This was stupid. I drive this multiple times a day and it's so frustrating. Remove it.
THE END and REMOVAL
When it ends before a bad accident happens
When it ends before a bad accident happens
Not applicable. There was nothing about this demonstration that I felt was well thought out or planned.
Nothing, it's unsafe and poorly designed.
Stop sign on 36th
This is an absolute nightmare , there was nothing wrong before. I will endlessly boycott this change until it is gone. Great waste of taxpayer money too, fix the streets and potholes before you do more of these demonstrations please
That the public took it down ASAP as it was an awful change.
no favorite part
N/a
I do like the white barriers that were put in between the road and bike path, but feel it would be more useful on 17th avenue.
Nothing.
That it will end soon
Nothing
I do like the dividers between the bike lane but do not like that we have lost a driving lane, it has created more traffic which doesn't help walkers and bikers. I felt more unsafe walking due to this fact
I like that the bicycles are separated from the cars. I feel cars just a few inches from me on a bicycle are very dangerous, especially given the hostility drivers have toward bicyclists.
None
wave art
When it gets taken down
N/a
Nothing! It doesn't have to be this dramatic.
None
Stop sign at 36th ave
There is nothing about it i like . Especially the new stop sign at 36th . and the turn only lanes . Terrible idea .
Stop trying to force this change with questions that are inherently biased towards the approval of this project.
The Physical barriers that separate pedestrians from cars
The stop sign at 36th
nothing
That something is being tried
Did not like it, never had a problem the way it was!
Nothing. It was intrusive and blocks lanes and traffic. It will be a cluster fuck if implemented.
I am in favor of the bike lane dividers(white waves), not a fan of the single lane each way with the center turn lane, nor the stop sign at 38th
The stop sign on 36th is helpful.
nothing is a favorite this is so bad it is pushing traffic to other streets and this is a nightmare for all including business folks that have lost their parking
The stop signs on 36th!!! Makes it easier to walk or bike across. Although, some cars hardly stop.

Nothing
Nothing
Safer for cyclists and pedestrians
That it proves that is is not worth the money to permanently install
That it is temporary and can be removed ASAP.
Biking in Santa Cruz County is a challenge on the best days. Down right dangerous usually. Anything our county can do to improve safety is a good thing.
The best part of the installation is the flashing lights to alert others of pedestrians in the crosswalk.
Nothing positive to say
Honestly, I don't have anything favorable about it.
I have been given a chance to see a demonstration example before it becomes permanent .
That it will hopefully disappear soon. Next time you might want to involve more motorists and local businesses .
A demarcated bike lane could exist but it doesn't seem necessary to take lanes away to do so. I do like the stop sign at 36th added
Nothing
The dividers between cars and bike riders and pedestrians. Another encouragement to ride or walk more!
None. It's a terrible idea.
None
None, its not a good idea.
The chaos created from confusing lanes. As a local for over 20 years the lanes were fine. There is a dedicated bike lane and sidewalk for pedestrians.
Crosswalks are visible enough.
My favorite part was how needlessly over-complicated and unnecessary this whole project was. Portola has (had) really good traffic flow- why not focus on 41st ave near the freeway? Or the entire length of Soquel?
Nothing
Makes biking safer
LAME!
The stop sign at 36TH Ave WITH the addition of the flashing red stop signs. Can we get those at 26th too? To cut down the speeding from 30th - 17th? That would be really helpful. And maybe some law enforcement patrols too.
None
Slowing the traffic on Portola, which makes crossing Portola much safer and easier for cars, bicycles, and pedestrians.
I wish I could say there was something. But it was frustrating. Thank you for thinking of our cyclists and pedestrians. But I honestly think it makes it less safe.
The new stop sign at 36th and Portola. I think this will help with speed and visibility of walkers and bikers trying to get across the street.
Nothing favorite. Too confusing, too many barriers, too much traffic congestion and people disregarding the turn lanes to pass others. Very unsafe to drive on Portola.
Four way stop at 36th. I live off 36th so a westbound turn is now much safer. The taco trailer permanently parked on the shoulder of portals blocks the view of traffic.
I don't like it at all
No favorites... it's awful!
Placing walker and biker safety higher.
The wave dividers for the bike one were nice to look at. However they didn't help, when needing or wanting to switch lanes around another biker.
The additional stop sign and painted corners
The full stop at 36th.
Nothing it's a mess
None. Traffic is also backed up severely at certain hours
I don't like it
Nothing, it's awful.
Torn down barriers.
How fast the safety improvements it went in
Nothing
Don't screw up traffic!
Nothing is good about it. We use that intersection everyday. We saw the negative changes it had brought to the community. It's like having an obstacle course in a tiny road with many players—bikers, walkers, cars in both directions and cars that's parking on the street.
stop sign at cat n cloud, nothing else
Nothing.
Don't like ir
The new stop sign on 36th and the space for bicycles heading toward Portola on 38th. Before the project, there was absolutely no space, making it nearly impossible to cross there on bike
N-a
The utter stupidity of it. Why would anyone think this is a good idea?
No part except the fact it is temporary
No favorites..This installation should be removed
Nothing.
nothing

I don't like anything! It's all very distracting!
Nothing
That it's not permanent. It is absolutely awful in every way. It's like you know nothing about the culture of our neighborhood.
Nothing!!! The most wasteful event ever.
I only liked the 4 way stop at 36th and portola.
Good ideal conceptually, but ... (see comments below)
Stop sign at 36th Ave. is long overdue. Please make the stop sign permanent.
Absolutely nothing. Everything about this change is horrible. Everyone who is local in santa cruz will be outraged if this becomes permanent.
None
I am excited that it will be taken down soon
Added stop signs help me cross Portola but need to enforce motorists to actually STOP and not run me over.
Transparency
The bike lane is great. Reducing the diving lanes is slowing traffic significantly and people run the stop signs
did not see the demonstration - did not hear any notice about it beforehand.
nothing
Having the middle turn lane. I live down by the Point and can rarely turn onto Portola from 30th. People coming from two lanes into 4 really speed up as they head towards 41st.
Nothing
Nothing. The bike lanes will just make everyone less vigilant.
None of it. It creates more traffic and congestion
Nothing! It's the worst
That it's temporary
Nothing. I have never hated a road this much in my entire life, and I do road work. I didn't know I could hate a road this much until now, not did I ever hope to.
That it is temporary because the design is so confusing.
n/a
Nothing
There is nothing to be favorited, I've lived here my whole life, I walk more than drive, and this "layout" is confusing, ugly, chokes up the roadway, causes more traffic and creates more possible scenarios for accidents.
Fewer auto lanes on portola
nothing
nothing it is disgusting
None
N/A
Stop sign at 36th Ave
as a cyclist, you feel more protected from cars. we live in a perfect area to commute / recreate by bikes - thank you for trying to make it safer. people in cars are resistant to change - 4th of July traffic probably made this more of a challenge as a time to test. please do not give up on making the streets safe for cyclists !! I commute on portola in my car as well, and do not see what the fuss is about.
Nothing! As an active cyclist, it felt like a solution in search of a problem
That is was a demonstration and not just forced upon us without input or recourse
The fact that it is temporary
The feeling of security it gives me while cycling
Stop signs were needed
It is terrible. I do not like it.
Can't wait until it is taken down!!!
The weird broken bike lane things.
The ability to experience the proposed improvements before the County fully invests in implementing the project.
Not happy at all with either the look or feel of the barricades or whatever they are.
Nothing
Nothing
It has slowed traffic down and made crossing Portola safer
I cannot think of one facet of this installation that is an improvement. It's really terrible.
Nothing, it is impacting out neighborhood negativity.
It's mere existence! I typically avoid Portola Dr when cycling. With these improvements, I would use that route frequently, allowing me to access the local businesses.
Easier to cross
Nothing
Pizza that's the only reason people showed. If it's free its good for me type of thing. It was a joke. People just talked about Pizza.
NA
nothing
Nothing
Absolutely nothing
I really don't like it, so I don't have anything "favorite"
The stop sign at 36th, long over do. My husband was in a car accident in that intersection

Na
Nothing
Made the area safer and more accessible for non-car users
The stop sign at 36 th and portola . I also appreciate the green bike lane marker and reflectors.
That someone took the initiative to tear them out.
none
That ie is temporary!
None...
Nothing. Causes more traffic. What we need is a stop light at portola and 41st. That would help I already felt safe biking on portola. I prefer it to biking East Cliff especially going west as there is only one way bike lane on East Cliff I don't see any improvement with trial installation. Made it worse
Nothing. Every time I ride down it on my e-chair people have run over the reflector and barrels. Cars are parked in the middle of the road. There was nothing wrong with the way it was. Maybe remove a few feet off the tree islands, but that is it. It was working fine like it was except the tree roots were growing under the asfalt which made it rough to get by the tree island and big holes in the asfalt. You're trying to fix something that didn't need fixing. Put it back the way it was.
It sucks!
to really see how confusing you have made this road that didn't need any improvements
Barriers that separate cyclist and stop sign on 36th.
N/a
Stop sign at Portola and 36th. This is badly needed for the safety of anyone trying to cross Portola. This is also necessary to slow down speeding traffic on Portola.
Nothing, the street looks like a kinder Garden playground to help the litter kids keep their turns.
That it allowed me to evaluate changes before they were made permanent.
That we got to try it and offer feedback before it became permanent. However , maybe information could have been presented ahead of time to locals so that so much confusion and frustration could have been avoided.
Stop sign at 36th, and protected bike lanes.
One lane on Portola
That it is temporary and will be taken down soon
Nothing
There is no favorite part. This was a waste of the taxpayers money.
Nothing. Go back to the way it was!
Nothing
Keeping bikes separate from moving cars
At least it's no permanent
I like the bike lane. I do. Or like dedicating a whole lane just for left turns. It doesn't make sense and it adds more confusion and delays.
That it's temporary.
Cars need to drive slower. People and bicycles have more space.
How something on paper looks good but in real use, a very bad idea.
Improved walkability. Slower vehicle traffic. A feeling that the public ROW is not just for vehicle traffic.
None of it
Color designs on streets..
Nothing it's awful
The stop sign at 36th, that alone slows down traffic
Stop sign at 36th
stop sign at 36th Ave at three way intersection. barrier between automobiles and bicyclists Signs that tell car drivers to give right of way to bikes when turning right.
I don't like it
Having to navigate around all the crushed separators and the large red delineator that are now knocked over or blocking the bike path.
I want safe bike lanes and walkways. This was just poorly executed.
The idea of promoting bike commuting. I support that very much. But this is not the way.
Nothing!! Take it down!!
Reduction from 4 lanes to 2 lanes with a center turn lane
It shows how wonderful it will be for calming car traffic and for encouraging bicycling and walking. I hope it becomes permanent
That it promotes more walking and biking.
None, I thought it was an obstacle through and through.
I hated all of.
I bike and walk and am all for more access for these types of things, but not on Portola.
Absolutely nothing! It makes speed bumps look good.
Nothing
Nothing
N/A
That there are attempts to improve cycling safety
I felt much safer
As a bicyclist I like having a physical barrier between myself and cars.

I LOVE the idea of safer more protected bike lanes and sidewalks (I bike and walk often) and think it is great to dedicate more space to people and less space to cars
There is no "Favorite part" these are seriously dangerous and need to be removed for the safety of bicyclists and pedestrians
Very poorly planned.
Nothing. It is poorly executed, looks ugly, does not do what it is supposed to do, aggravates people in traffic, is more dangerous for bike riders because you are causing road rage due to people being so upset about making that road a single lane road. It doesn't help things. It makes them much worse. You probably don't even live in this area or you would understand and see more clearly what I am saying. This is not an improvement. It is a disaster.
The new 4 way stop on 36th is great, was badly needed.
nothing a waste of my tax \$\$\$ This is a major through fare. it must stay 2 lanes in each direction. If speed is a problem add a stop sign geez this isnt rocket science
I would use because I live on 26th and drive the part of Portola a lot. I liked that it was a way to separate biking from the cars but I do not think that making it a one way in the area is a good use of space. There needs to be a round about or something to help with the flow of traffic
Makes a visible barrier to cars.
Nothing. It's horrible. Needs to be removed as soon as possible.
The stop sign at 36 is it OK if there were two lanes each way
The wave structures spreading the bike lane from the vehicle traffic lane along the fog line
The artful paint and wavy barriers.
I can appreciate what you're trying to do for bike safety. I think it's been done very efficiently and unsightly, but thanks for trying!
None
Nothing. It was poorly planned unfortunately
The addition of a new stop sign at 36th.
This isn't the bike lane solution you're looking for
I love seeing bike and pedestrian safety being improved. I hope these improvements will be permanent.
Wider bike path and more room for walking and parking. But most of all drivers slowed down so it felt safer
Flashing lights at cross walks
None. It makes the businesses less accessible with traffic bottlenecks and difficulty exiting parking areas.
Nothing
None of it
I did not like this approach
Not sure
Nothing
It's temporary
I really have no favorite part as I feel that the installation is dangerous. When driving during non-commute hours, many drivers go to the left (supposedly turn lanes) and speed through the stop sign at 36th. Drivers many times pay no attention to the new installation.
Having so many people in the community connecting and talking about the event. Some like it, others do not like it, but everybody is talking about it. This never happened when the original three community meetings were performed. Those meetings were a limited representation of the community. having the even out there now involves the entire community. This is my favorite part.
Cars slowing down. Ironically, I was almost run over in the cross-walk a few blocks west of the installation (by 7-11) while walking to see the pop-up when it was first installed. Cars take the corners exiting Portola very fast and I felt that the pop-up made crossing the cross streets safer. It would be great to see the extended curb cuts/shorter crosswalks made permanent, even if Portola remains a two lane road, in order to reduce the speed of traffic turning off of Portola.
It's all horrible. People drive into the barricades and leave them all over the road
There is nothing I like about this project. Another taxpayer waste of money
It's intriguing but poorly executed.
Stop sign at 36th , KEEP IT THERE
In general, I would like safe options for riding bikes, I do not like sharing the road with traffic on a bike, but must say it seems like many cyclists choose to share the road when they do have a dedicated bike lane or bike/pedestrian path next to it. From a really adding safety standpoint, I don't know how well those barriers would stop a vehicle from hitting a cyclist.
Not too much.
Nothing
That you tried
new stop sign at 36th
Nothing
Nothing
I felt a lot safer riding my bike to do errands in the neighborhood. I liked not being encroached on by cars.
Not much
Did not know there was an "Event" planned around this or when it was or what it was.
I did not attend the biking event; however, from the reasons I mentioned, I do not favor the project.
None of it. I don't hate the stop sign close to 36th. I don't love it, but I can see the benefits for pedestrians in that area. I think a flashing crosswalk is a better idea
Nothing
This survey and asking the community's response.
Additional separation from cars.

It being destroyed
nothing
That experiments in improving access are being done.
Being more aware of different modes of travel. The most exciting part for me , I'm 66 years old, I may start to ride my bike on the streets
the added stop sign at 36th
When it was removed
That it made me feel happy that these positive changes to medium speed roadways are happening — I will enjoy bringing my bike soon to try it out. There's just nothing about it that I don't like. I'm looking forward to more beautification going on in our Santa Cruz County - and like the respect it shows to all types of transportation and walkers. Those who are disabled and the more elderly will feel and be more secure going from one place to another. Thank you! 😊
Additional stop sign
It is horrible, take it down
I like when it's easier for people to bike and walk
Shows how a few special interest groups do not represent the majority.
The increased safety for walking and biking. One lane of traffic each direction made crossing the street feel much more safe. Also really liked the stop sign at 36th Avenue
Nothing goes about it
Nothing
Unfavorable in all aspects. You give ART a bad name with this kind of demonstration event
I hate it. I am taking a different to my office (which is at 3431 portola dr) to avoid the demonstration area. Takes about 20 minutes longer and I don't like that either.
Stop sign at 36th , this alone will slow down traffic
Clear separation for pedestrians and cyclists. Adding 4 way stop at 38/portola providing additional safety at busy crosswalk
The stop sign at 36th
The 4 way stop at Portola & 36th was a huge improvement! I also prefer to bike to coffee at Cat & Cloud and the improved temporary lane structure made me incredibly happy and I felt very safe
That it was temporary.
nothing. all aspects created more problems than solutions (e.g. more auto traffic congestion on portola, increased traffic on floral, bicyclists going wrong direction in portola bike lane, etc).
nothing
The improvements slowed everything down nicely, and made walking, biking, and driving all safer activities for me.
did not attend
Encourage drivers heading eastbound to more readily turn left and not continue into neighborhoods along Portola Dr
2 lanes of traffic with a center turn lane
None
Stop sign at 36th -- MUCH BETTER for crossing the street both on foot and on a bike!!!
pedestrian and bicycle friendly. makes it much safer to ride bike and walk on Portola. I hope it becomes permanent. STOP sign on 36th Ave is a MUST, very helpful to slow traffic.
Cynical note: the angry NIMBYism. Sincere note: it improved the safety of that corridor immensely.
0
Nothing
It's a good try, but it doesn't work
It increases safety for pedestrians and bicyclists by slowing down traffic and providing clear separation and visual protection for pedestrians and bicyclists.
Trying something new and moving forward!!! I have a lot of critical feedback. What was tried does not work in itself but definitely can be iterated and improved upon. Bike Lanes YES!!! Thank you!!
n/a
If you make it permanent traffic will divert onto 30th and Brommer. The most dangerous intersection on Portola is 26th - especially since the removal of the turn-in center lane going towards Santa Cruz. If you're going to do any additional stop sign it should be there rather than at 36th.
The stop sign near cat and cloud
Stop sign at 36th, reduction from 4 to 2 lanes
Reduction of the number of lanes.
the spirit for more dedicated non-car travel
That it is temporary. If anything, I can somewhat appreciate the barrier between the bike lane and the car lane, but I don't believe that should be done with parking spaces. Parking spaces in front of empty buildings (minus Cat & Cloud)!
It makes the street feel less like a highway, which is great for peds and bikes. Unfortunately, because traffic is so bad in Santa Cruz, I think this will frustrate a lot of car drivers. We need a quiet, efficient, fun and comfortable electric train! That will get people out of their cars! Nobody (hardly anybody) is going to commute between Watsonville and Santa Cruz on their bike. But many will ride a quiet, comfortable, fun (with cafe - beer, wine, coffee and snacks like the SMART train in Sonoma County) electric train. Check out http://www.coastalrail.org/ to see what it could be like. I hope you put your weight behind this great project! Thanks!
The community
Making the street safer for cyclists.

I liked the waves and the purple print on corners. I liked the stop sign in the middle of Portola and the lane reduction. It stopped the high speed dangerous drivers. That road is like a drag racing competition sometimes. It's hard to pull out of side streets and to cross in foot or by bicycles. PLEASE INSTALL A PERMANENT STOP SIGN AT LEAST!! I like the whole installation. I think the waves should be metal and teach the drivers that run over them on purpose a lesson!!!!
I like that bicycles and pedestrians have the same amount of importance. I like that cars have to slow down.
No favorite parts
Absolutely nothing
Nothing
The stop sign at 36th was great! The visual and physical barriers seemed effective.
that we are considering all types of transportation needs with equity.
the focus on safety
Nothing. It was a waste of money implementing a ridiculous test plan where it was absolutely unnecessary.
Nothing
So this was an event? What event? What were we supposed to get from it besides anxious? A demonstration of utopian psychosis with purple lines painted like an elementary school mural? This town could use even one small iota of local cultural contribution instead of this crap.
Under the right circumstances, it would be a great improvement to bicycle safety.
At least they tried
That it is over.
I am glad you tried it. And I am glad it was temporary. It was not successful in my opinion
Nothing.
Nothing it was a horrible disistion
N/A
Getting people together and vociening their opinions.
Pizza
It goes away in 30 days. Sorry!
That it's temporary
Will be bike and ped friendly, however there was a big impact to vehicles, parking.
I do like the stop sign @36th ave
Pizza get rid of this install
Free food
The painted bike lanes.
When it comes down
I'm so sorry but I dislike all of it! Maybe the new "STOP" at Cat & Cloud is good!
Informed people to talk to presenting multiple perspectives and unbiased information.
Awareness
Bike Lane
Pizza
I feel safe riding my bike.
the protected bike lane (& that it looks like a wave!)
the white wave things
Talking with reps/painters about changes
The artwork on the street!
Promotes increased safety for, and visibility of, cyclists & walkers
None, it was useless. Many other safety improvements are begging for improvements: A 3-Way Stop Sign at San Andreas Road at Bonita Drive, or a Traffic Circle at intersection of Freedom Boulevard at Buena Vista Drive
More people use
It is terrible
Free lights and free pizza. That youre trying to make things safer.
Brought together bikers, saw many more than usual.
hearing the angry drivers complaining about slower traffic.
Feeling safer with kids/dogs. Separation of bike lane and vehicle lane.
Liked the artistic large "radi" at intersection
Pizza! Biking! Thank you!
Slowing traffic down, prioritizing people over cars
The wave barriers and the stop sign at 36th
stop sign on 36th
The stop sign on 36th, please leave it
I like the purple paintng on the ground, the sidewalk extenders. They look cool!
Although there seems to be a lot of engative pushback, it gave people the chance to share what they want changed. Experiencing a separate bihewa.
Progress to improve Portola
The painting of the proposed curbs
Traffic goes slower
All the colors!

Protected bike way.
The stop sign at 36th and potola is amazing! We feel that our kids biking are so much safer!
1. Stop sign and left turn lane at 36th 2. Wave separators 3. I like the 2 lanes + turn lane (in this order)
Community, safety, encouragement to ride bike / walk / be outside
the bike lane!
The public engagement
encouraged our whole family to come use the bike lane.
Pizza, Nice people, Positive energy
the community coming together to support a better world.
Inclusive and friendly.
I like the dividers ebtween the bike lane and the cars.
Pizza! Also anything with bike transportation folks.
Pizza + cool people
Seems like not a big deal but makes a big difference in how the street feels.
Love being able to trial these facilities out. Lets make it permanent. I'll bring the glue you bring the barriers!
Protected barriers for bikes. Reduced speed for cars. More visibility.
Its colorful and easy to see.
I liked the well parked paint and signage.
better, Safer bike/ped infrastructure even if temp!

What would you change about the demonstration event? / Que sería una cosa que le gustaría cambiar de este evento demostrativo?

I don't know
i would not waste any more tax payer dollars on this....fix the potholes on portola between 14th and 17th first...fix the existing roads
More publicity. Longer, more wide-spread demonstrations.
making the dividers more sturdy.
extend to other areas
Removal of the physical barriers.
Remove the bike lane things, I went out the day after installation and already four of them have fallen over or been hit by a car into the bike lane that's dangerous as well
Get rid of it
You took away Lane going southbound that should be enough room to have parking spaces remain and the bike lane. We have a perfectly good side walk for walking. We are a service business where parking has been an issue for 10 years that we have been here. To lose any spaces along Portola near 41st will ultimately hurt business.
No bike lane
The sidewalks and bike lanes were fine as they were. I would revert the entire space back to how it used to be.
I would take it out... To create one lane of traffic here will create big back ups and I think it is dangerous because your cars are too close to it
Go back to the way it was
Take the strips out.
Make more spaces
Remove it
It back the way it was but keep the buffers on the bike lane and install a signal light on 41st and Portola. I'd remove the second cross walk on Portola at 36th as there is a nice one with flashing lights.
Not sure.
There should not be one. It is making that area more of an inconvenience than it already was.
Make it permanent
Nothing
Get rid of it ASAP
Never do it again.
Scale it way back. Overkill.
I would make it disappear
Take it away
Go further faster.
I wouldn't have started it.
Remove
Get rid of it ASAP
Get rid of the large orange cones & purple paint. We still need 4 lanes on Portola.
Too new to comment
The only change I would make is to get rid of it all
Keep it like other green lanes and use proper paint and signage.
I'd make the inventors/developers of this stand there from noon till 8pm to hear "real time" comments from drivers.
Add a light at Portola/41st. Direct bikes to use the currently decrepit and unused rail corridor. Or better yet make 41st closed to cars from the tracks to the beach.
Everything
Maybe ACTUALLY TELL RESIDENTS ABOUT IT??! None of my neighbors were aware of this, we all live a block off of Portola in Pleasure Point.
Night work or total detour instead of demo, construction, normal traffic.
Oh, maybe TELL PEOPLE ABOUT IT?!
Cancel this event and restore the original striping and forget this ridiculous project.
Scrap the whole project. It does not work there
I would like to see added parallel parking along the changes area. The lots are small this could lessen the congestion at the parking lot entrances and exits.
Install public restroom and water fountain
Remove it
Doesn't happen again? Leave it the way it is
Completely dismantle it and leave the streets as they were before
Don't do this during the summer
eliminate it completely
Are you kidding me? What non-local thought it was smart to make Portola one lane? The traffic is horrendous. Idiots!!!
Go back we have a business and it's a mess down here
Don't take away the 2 lanes of traffic & public parking spaces for small businesses.
Go back to having our business more open!
Make sure it is in the best interest of the community before this kind of stupidity
Keep the traffic two lanes

Make it 4 lanes again. Portola is a major road
2 lanes each way. Bike lanes on the side how they where- its safer! The street is a mess now. Dangerous for bikes, cars, trucks. Traffic is now a BIG issue. Stop this project!
Keep Portola as a two lane road. We do not need a turn lane to turn onto 38th avenue. We do not need a middle turn lane. Please don't make traffic worse in this county. We can support safe biking and walking on this street without causing unnecessary traffic disruptions. We don't need the stop sign at Cat and Cloud intersection. I walk this road multiple times a week. The blinking road crossing there was very effective and useful. We don't need to further slow and disrupt traffic by putting in a stop sign there. We are again putting things in place where there was no problem to solve.
The corridor from 26th Ave and 41st is a tourist heavy region. These tourists do not come on bicycles. The event has created more vehicle congestion on Portola and 41st. As a cyclist myself, and a resident of the pleasure point neighborhood, I always bike the ocean way along east Cliff. I thinking making designated bike route is very important, but Portola is not the spot. The event would be better suited from Moran to 41 along east cliff
I liked it as is
Remove it. You are negatively impacted the business and homeowners that live here. Get rid of it immediately.
Keep stops signs on Portola to two lanes of vehicle traffic
Put it back to normal.
Never do it again
I would not have been so foolish as to expend county funds on this "project". Rather use the money repair our increasingly horrendous roads!!!
n/a
remove it.. just put in better painted bike lanes.
Nothing
I do not wish for this to be permanent and the barriers are an eyesore as well as causing traffic on an already heavily trafficked street.
Make it permanent!
Make it permanent and get more officers to cite speeders!
Go back to the way it was
I commute by bicycle down Portola Avenue almost every day and I will NOT use the bike lane with the ribbons. The ribbons do not allow me to exit the bike lane if I need to do so for safety reasons (uneven pavement, broken glass). Worse, it forces me to ride closer to the sidewalk than I would prefer near parking lot exits. When cars exit parking lots or otherwise turn on streets, their field of view is usually the car lanes and they do not see bike lanes. I like to move to the outside edge, or even outside the bike lanes and into traffic when I ride near exits so that exiting vehicles see me and do not turn into me.
Move it to East Cliff along the ocean from 17th Ave. Don't do Portola. Affects businesses with traffic and limited parking.
Take it down immediately.
Please leave portola as is. Most bicyclists do not respect the law regardless.
It has created a great deal of traffic where there was no traffic at all.
Remove it altogether. Return the two lanes for traffic, make the bike lane simple with a bright white line and green paint bike riding path. There is no need to waste any money on another "River Street Sign" disaster project
Nothing
Take the turn lanes out, the parking out, so the motorists can have 2 lanes,
Nothing. I appreciate the efforts.
One lane road does not work.. I'd change it to two lanes and a safety lane for bikes.. with rails of some sort. But not sure how to navigate that, considering there's not enough room.
Get rid of it
Remove the metal barriers
Just cancel it!! I am watching the news now, and even the news person who lives in this neighborhood said it was confusing & mimicked looking around being distracted. Everyone in my neighborhood is completely annoyed! I think that this was designed to further the Tourist Cluster in our neighborhood. Nothing is sacred anymore.
Not have one
All of it! Remove everything
If it's not broke, don't fix it!!
Go back to the old design.
Remove it
N/A
Go back to the way it was
Revert to the layout prior to this installation.
Remove stop and smaller traffic flow
Go back to how it was. Portola was traffic free for a reason.
Not doing it.
Remove it
Color of the corners. Style of the markers. The lanes need to be either adjusted or returned to 4 lanes. The traffic is even more horrific than it was before.
Replace it with more common sense lines for bikes lanes and crosswalks that people recognize and don't make it a single lane for car traffic
More signage so residents understand what changes were made and why.
Close East Cliff to car traffic and make it a walkway

Remove it.
Take it all down
Leave it as it was!
Turn it back the way it used to be
Just add a painted bike lane, get rid of the rest of the barriers
Unsure
I would like it to be stopped immediatly
Remove it
N/a
Made my day a lot worse.
When reading the description, I thought there would be two lanes (one for each direction) with a turn lane in the middle, not the right lane turning into a turn lane.
Give back the lanes to cars, there is already a sidewalk and bike lane. There is no need for an entire lane to be taken away on each side of the road for walking and biking when the infrastructure is already in place to allow for safe travel by foot or bicycle. Again, this will be a huge impact to permanent residents traveling the road on the weekends during tourist season.
All of it. It's not necessary and causing more traffic and frustrated drivers, which are both dangerous.
Delete it
Eliminate it and return Portola to two lanes in each direction. It's a major arterial street. Reducing the travel lanes simply sends cars and trucks to alternative routes that aren't designed for increased traffic.
Back as was
Take it down.
Remove it.
Revert it back to the way it was.
get rid of the two way turn lane. get rid of the ugly wavy barriers. widen the sidewalks.
portola is way too busy to only have a single lane in parts. the only positive is the stop sign at 36th. even though it's annoying, it will help pedestrian crossing.
The bike dividers are to big and awful looking
keep two lanes of traffic
More advertising ahead of time. I stumbled across it by accident
I would increase the amount of road it covers
Do not keep
Transparency. I'm a fan, but frustrated by lack of explanation in the area where feedback is requested
Keep lanes the way they were
Remove
Why was the signal at the crosswalk disarmed. Crosswalks too repetitive. Traffic delays at all stop signs. No foliage between cars and pedestrians. This would have been better used on Opal Cliffs Drive, and a two way bike path at the Point.
Go back to the standard 2 lanes. Improve the back path in which the Nike path currently exists
Leave portola how it is. Stop trying to cause more traffic. This helps nothing
REMOVE IT FROM PORTOLA DRIVE IMMEDIATELY! This creates a traffic nightmare.
I would not do it, traffic is messed up
Put it back to how it was. If you are worried about bikers or walkers not feeling safe, have more cops in the area giving tickets to drivers who are going too fast. Turning this street into two lanes creates more traffic and hurts the businesses on Portola.
Make portola 2 lanes again with no turn lane.
most things
I would take it out. It's making creating more traffic which makes for dangerous drivers.
It's so ugly! Wavy lane dividers and purple crosswalks? Come on you can do better than trite bs like that
Get rid of it and restore Portola dr, a MAJOR ARTERIAL, back to 4 lanes.
Everyone being so negative about a great change
Back the way it was
Not sure
Everything! Put in the lighted cross walks
Everything it's all distracting and disruptive. I would install 1 more stop sign at an intersection with crosswalks. And would paint the bike lane green like they do in big cities. That is all.
Leave the road at two lanes of traffic in each direction. It would be better to Remove parking from Portola, paint the bike lane green and use the barriers between the road & the bike lane. But don't restrict the traffic flow there, it just makes people angry and I'll feel less safe & it's less enjoyable with angry motorists. besides that, with some people peeling off Portola and speeding through small neighborhood avenues, you've just created a more dangerous Situation throughout the neighborhoods. I'm concerned about riding my bike down the Avenues now and I'm worried there's gonna be more accidents with cars trying to quickly cut through previously slow and sleepy residential streets. I'm concerned for the kids too. I live among those avenues where kids and tourists are walking down to the beach with their beach gear are biking down to the beach with their surfboards. They're much more likely to get run over by an angry motorist now. Before as a pedestrian or bike or you just had to be careful in Portola. Now you have to be more careful everywhere. I don't feel safe going to the beach
Everything
We need two lanes back, especially during the summer months. We already have bike lanes.
Please remove it.

Take it all away
Do not do it ever again. Take it down immediately.
Remove it
Get rid of it
Remove it. Just leave the green painted part marking out bike lane. The purple is confusing and looks like kids chalk drawing.
Get rid of nearly all of it. It's restrictive & confusing in a car and almost worse on a bike.
the whole thing, please revert it. this is a waste of money.
Don't do it
Why not put speed bumps like you have on 30th avenue, that will slow people down. Keep two lanes, not reduce to one
everything. this is a waste of money. portolla WAS 100%. PLEASE use county money for something useful. portolla doesn't need ANY of these changes. i have lived here for 22 years. please revert the changes.
Cancel it
Make the bike lanes more visible and that is it.
If these kinds of projects are going to be implemented, at least make the bike lanes bigger rather than smaller.
Do not take over the streets for pedestrian and bike traffic. Do not create turn only lanes forcing a bottleneck for through traffic. Create a nice bike/walking trail next to the railroad tracks instead.
Everything.
NA
Remove all hindrances to turning into local business (by car), center divides, etc.
Stop trying to solve something that is not a problem.
REMOVE IT
Restore two traffic lanes in each direction and create a two-wayprotected bike lane on only one side of Portola through elimination of parallel parking spots. Reduce size of bulb-outs at intersections to make turning less awkward. Keep stop signs at 36th or consider a roundabout at that intersection (or at 41st, with stop signs at 36th - traffic is at a standstill between those two intersections.
Move it to east cliff. It would stop all the vans parking over night
nothing
Everything. The whole design is not suitable for the area. It is an eye sore. It is not necessary. What is needed is a light at 41st and portola. That is the danger zone
FIRST, GET FEED BACK FROM THE PLEASURE POINT RESIDENTS THAT YOU ARE IMPACTING BEFORE you push it through. Do not allow Bike advocate groups to continue to push their agenda on the streets of Pleasure Point. You snuck this in without our chance to respond BEFORE you did it. STOP TRYING TO PUSH BICYCLIST AGENDAS ON RESIDENTS WITHOUT OUR APPROVAL. Your bicyclists do not have a great reputation due to their constant ignoring the laws governing bicyclists in santa cruz. People generally don't appreciate the way they blow stop signs and signals, weave between cars and pedestrians, and go way too fast in congested pedestrian areas on East Cliff.
Both bike lanes on one side of the road
Remove it
Remove all of it. Stop trying so hard
Don't do it
Involve the people who live in the neighborhood as part of the design process
change it back
Everything, change it back
Eliminate it!!!!
Stop it immediately
Keep Portola four lanes
The structures on the side of the road, the purple spray paint and the new lanes... please bring it back to its original state!!!
don't have it happen ever
Toss it all
Make it go all the way to 17th or 26th ave.
People change back to normal since I felt like my bike was jammed into the sidewalk. Also, cars were backed up and made it more stressful
Get rid of it
Demolish it immediately
I would take the whole thing done dumbest idea ever.
All of it removed. ALL of it!!!! Traffic is a nightmare
More permanent fixtures like curbs, raised crosswalks, and extending to 30th or 26th. Flashing crosswalks or even stop signs. The artwork is great and should be included in any future plans.
Remove it
Use the green lanes found in SC city and the low, rubber barriers used near the boardwalk.
make it feel more cohesive in terms of how the green bike zones connect to each other. I would like to see it feel more intuitive and less like a where's waldo hunt for the next green zone.
possibly the lanes, keep them open to go any direction and not restrict them to a "must turn left lane" etc.
Keep the lanes as is for passing
I'd move it to Twin Lakes from the corner of 7th Avenue to 12th Avenue!
Changing the colors and changes made to the 2 lane road into one lane is not the right solution
N/A
Take it all down and talk to the residents before you change their neighborhood.

Remove
Nothing
Teach the bicycle safety follow the rules
Leave Portola Dr the way it was as it worked fine. There is also no need for a stop sign at 36th ave either. The flashing light works great.
Take it down. Paint the bike lanes bright green like they have done all over Santa Cruz. Call it a day.
Maybe ask the community if this is something we're interested in before putting it up and making traffic worse.
Make it go away, I would consider that a positive.
Take it back to the way it was. No need to fix what isn't broke
go away
take it down.
I would put a Highway Patrol officer at 36th, and an ambulance at 38th.
Clarity, purpose, any engineering thought about traffic flow and resulting idling is terrible for residents? Get rid of it completely. Use money to clean the litter.
Bring back four lane traffic.
Make it permanent and extend it to all major roads.
Remove painting from ground - go back to good old fashioned, easy-to-see yellow and white lines (with green for bike lane. Take down the awful wavy dividers. Go back to two lanes because traffic is immediately horrendous. Literally, all you had to do was put some green paint down and bikers would have been safer and money wouldn't have been wasted. Sometimes less is more.
As stated above, the temporary purple lines bring confusion and makes the scene unsafe.
Put it back to normal.
End it as soon as possible, should never have been done without local input.
Allow the local population of Pleasure Point to participate in the design. Use existing standards, like well defined bike lanes, the funny white hoops every few feet are really bad. You are making a mess in trying to solve a non existent problem, and only causing a traffic snarl. The bus cannot even move into it's spot to pick up people. The mail box is blocked. Parking in front of Sudas is hard to use. #8th Avenue parking in front of the lumber yard is terrible. These are only a few of the things wrong.
take it out
Everything. Please go back to two lanes
nothing
All of it.
Put it back the way it was. It is a traffic hazard for everyone.
No poles or structures - just the green painted lanes.
Return it back to original. More street stripping for bicycles would be sufficient
I wouldn't take up an entire lane. Widen the bike path or put up barriers, sure. But don't take up the entire lane for traffic.
take it down
remove it completely
Remove the turn pane and suicide lanes and return portola to two lanes. There is not an excess amount of traffic where there should not have been traffic. There's already tons of traffic on 41st and now this group had created another useless change that created a problem where there was no problem to begin with.
Get rid of the changes on Portola, they're unnecessary and upsetting
It's a waste of time & money
I would remove the barriers and return the 2nd lane for cars. Having this bike lane cut in and out every block creates confusion and will lead to more accidents both for cyclists and drivers
Not to have it at all.
Leave the stop sign at 36th. Everything else back to the way it was!
I use both my car and bike to get around town for business and pleasure. The only thing the existing bike lanes needed was to be all green, like the rest of the county
Remove completely and open Portola Dr back to 2 lanes each directions
I would dismantle it immediately.
I would get rid of the 3-D white plastic wavy dividers for the bike lanes and get rid of the constantly merging traffic lanes.
The Sidewalk extensions
Remove it
It's too flimsy and low to the ground, also it seems to entice people out onto the street when they were safer on the sidewalk. Which was mostly used previously.
Remove it immediately. It's unsafe.
Move it to the train tracks.
All of it.. No barricades. And less super 80s. Paint jobs. We need straight forward ideas that beautify and strengthen without imposition and creating more traffic w less maneuverability.
TAKE IT DOWN. WHO THINKS THIS SHTUFF UP?
Remove it
Everything! Get rid of it please!
Use the money for technical improvement, for car, pedestrian and cyclists. Not a colorful nonsense.
The excitation of an entire lane and the unnecessary bike lane blocks.
Keep both lanes open and erase purple paint from sidewalk
Remove all of it. Traffic is horrible now.
Everything!! Remove it

more of this please
Get rid of it.
make it longer
Remove planters along each side of Portola curbing. Make standard bike lanes (3' ?) next to curb. Convert 'outer' bike lane and slow lanes to diagonal parking. Use center lanes for traffic flow. And extend the project to 30th as there is a significant speed problem between 30th and 38th!
Keep two lane traffic on both sides. Also better quality painting on the intersection.
I would focus on hiring a good urban designer and stop having all of the ugly art and wacky events.
Try one thing instead of several changes at once
Move the bicycle lanes to ONE side of the street. Portola needs 2 lanes, as many streets do in our traffic filled communities. If you take the width of the bike lanes on both side of the roads, and move the vehicle lanes over to allow for space of a 2 way bicycle lane, no driving lanes need to be removed. This is exhibited by the rail way on westside, or the bike trail by Wilder Ranch. Bicycle lanes SHOULD NOT share the same roads as vehicles! That takes care of safety, space and convenience for ALL. Find the money.
Remove one lane forced turning lanes. Traffic has doubled overnight.
Traffic
Take it out. Put it on a side street and not a main road... for example: the bike/walk path already in existence at pleasure point
Remove it
Nothing, I hope to see it instituted in more areas!
I would increase the length, so that more streets in Santa Cruz County are safer for pedestrians and cyclists.
No comment
REMOVE IT
Return to the original system with a two lane street and standard bike lanes.
Either make it all the way down Portola from twin lakes up to 41st and down into capitola village. Or get rid of it what is the point of a .3 bike lane?
Remove it
I don't
I would take it down
Don't narrow to one lane. Just keep the stop sign and the two lanes
Everything
I would tear out the entire project and reimburse the tax payers, ME my \$\$\$!
Make it permanent for major cross-town thoroughfares.
It never happened. Such a waste of money. Work on getting sidewalks put in from 41st to Opal cliff in Capitola that would be useful!
There no need for one lane on portola
Remove it all including the crappy art
Take it down
By making portola two lanes again
Everything go back to how it was
Cycling by stopped, aggravated cars making sudden, erratic turns into neighborhoods is nerve wracking.
get rid of it and lower the speed limit to 25mph along the entire stretch of Portola drive and have CHP/Sheriffs to enforce daily.
Add more stop signs further down Portola towards Capitola on Adrian for example
Remove them all together
Put it back the way it was
Don't have it
Get rid of it
Expand it for the full length from Capitola to 7th.
Remove the turning lanes
Huh?
Complete Removal
Shut it down. Not a Heavily bicycled area
It's caused quite a bit of confusion from a car drivers perspective. I've seen some aggressive driving as a consequence of the slow traffic. Maybe some big warning signs telling people that the traffic will be slow and redirecting them away from the area might help?
You are allowing way too much space for bicycling while reducing lane size. There are simply not that many walkers/ bicyclists in the area to warrant this
Spend more effort on moving vehicular traffic with less delay
Remove everything! It's a failure! You are causing congestion and accidents !
will not attend
Nothing
Reduce the visual distractions and eliminate the white loopy barriers
Eliminate the right turn only lane onto 38th and only have right turn lane before 41st (heading south)
Eliminate this idea since I feel it was a special interest group that initiated it. Go back to the way it was prior to the trial.
Have them go look at west side Santa Cruz and see the neighborhood bike paths there...we'll done simple crisp and clean
Remove it. I never have felt unsafe on foot or bike while travelling in the area. The improvements have done nothing to improve bicycle safety, it only serves to penalize vehicular travel
Remove it.
?

Take away the stop sign at 36th!?! Generates unnecessary pollution and slows already congested traffic
The free pizza to encourage participation statistics.
Give people a warning, so they can adjust if needed. Immediate negative feedback can be a result of instant change without prior notice.
Nothing
Extend it down to 26th
For it to be removed.
I would implement the City of Capitola design of green bike lanes only
No reason to change the roadway. It's such a mess. Portola is a main artery for traffic and this idea as great as it is on paper does not help anyone
Remove and turn back to two lanes.
Put everything on Portola back to normal and encourage bicyclists to use East Cliff or Brommer. Or yet make a path on the train tracks.
Everything except the newly painted green bike lanes
Cancel it and put traffic back the way it was!!!
It makes no sense. Too many colors, lines, things in a weird order... it's a wreck
PLEASE take it down!!!! It's making traffic awful, it is distracting and ugly and I am now taking side streets to avoid it, which only stresses the side streets
Move it to a different location
More, broader notifications.
Take it away.
More tacos!
Don't reconfigure the lanes
Get rid of it
Take it down. Very few people bike on that section of Portola drive. Nobody has gotten hit. If they can't negotiate a bike the way it is, then they should not be on one. Let them use the sidewalks. Very few people walk on the sidewalks. Wasted money for sidewalks. Its not a scenic route. Nobody strolls down Portola Drive to enjoy the view. Its made for cars. Get used to it.
Take it out
Not having any.
Portola needs either 2 lanes or a stop light
Go back to original Portola Drive. Make the bike lanes green and put up more lighted crosswalks if that's the issue - don't increase traffic and make a horrible configuration
Make some curves in the road, add trees and vegetation.
X
Just need to have green designated bike lanes and some yellow flashing lights at crosswalks going across the streets. Those work!
Remove it entirely and put a traffic light at Portola and 41st.
I would change the location of the demonstration. This area is utilized very frequently by vehicles, not pedestrians/ cyclists. The new wave barriers on the bike lanes could be harmful to cyclists. For instance, they are not secure so they fall over and create an obstacle for cyclists, possibly increasing the chance for injuries. There were many local businesses that were disrupted by construction and traffic.
Remove it
Get rid of it.
Put it back the way it was
Take it down and put it back the way it was
Remove the entire project.
Put it back to the way it was before.
Get rid of it the road was fine you hipster fucks. Go to San Jose!
Improve sidewalks and bike paths. Not great chaos and ugly corners. It's an unsightly mess
Remove completely
Back to two lanes. Its causing way too much traffic on 41st and Portola
Everything
Everything - but the biggest issue I have is with turning the two lane road into a one lane. This is going to cause traffic, especially as the area becomes more popular. Turn lanes are not needed in this area and it worked perfectly fine behorehand. Focus on visibilty to the bike lanes and crosswalks, but don't mess with the flow of traffic.
Have it go back to normal.
Just go back to how it was
Keep the two lanes.
It seems there was zero thought about traffic, which is now horrible with this "improvement"
I am all for protected bike lanes. However the changes have not increased the size of the bike lanes at all. Instead you turned the traffic lane into a few random parking spots. I would NOT like portola to be one lane. It has created so much traffic on portola. I live in pleasure point and I have gone down portola at all times of the day during the week and the traffic has increased so much. Please bring back the two lanes of traffic and keep the green bike lane.
Take it away. Portola needs to stay two lanes each direction to keep the flow of traffic moving. This was a horrible idea. The slower traffic will congest the 41st Portola intersection more. And could make it hard for emergency vehicles accessing the ocean for rescues and those that live in pleasure point community
Remove it
Turn it back to normal

All of it
PUT IT BACK!!! It MUST be two lanes. This is RIDICULOUS!!!
Return it to how it was
The green striping for bikes makes no sense. It follows next to the separation barrier for a short distance. Then it moves over to next to the curb. It should show a straight path, not a zig-zag pattern.
Remove it
Everything
N/A
Nono
N/a
The turn lanes
A better use of resources directed to repairing the existing roads in our community, many of which are dire need of repair. In turn making driving safer for everyone.
Remove it
Go back the way it was
Paint the bike lane green so it is very noticeable and spend the large amount of money wasted on this project in places it's really needed. This is a mess.
NA
Portola already had sidewalks and bike lanes. There isn't that much bike traffic. It needs to go back to four lanes of traffic, keep the three way stop at 36th and teach bicyclist to follow traffic laws.
Just take it down, or open up both lanes to straight traffic. Or add restaurants and shops to make these installations worth it.
None
Ask the neighbors next time before you design a change
Remove
Use the train rail for bicycles pedestrians.
Remove it immediately
It not being there, there's already a bike lane and it's making traffic worse
Everything
Not so much IN THE ROAD. Too many metal posts and sand barrels. One less lane to accommodate for all these things makes taking turns really tight.
I would remove it
Eliminate
Not sure it's needed.
n/a
Take down the rails and go back to 4 lanes
Do it on a street that doesn't have bike lanes. Portola already has them.
I would revert it back to the previous 2 lane road in each direction!!
Get rid if those cones and being our two lane road back. There was nothing wrong with the way it was.
Take it down
Take done wave-like barrier. Give back 2 lanes in each direction.
I would like for the road to remain as it was.
Put it all back to how it was
Never do it again !
How were we notified??? I've lived off if Portola and 36th for over 21 years. I do not recall getting anything in the mail about this.
Not having it
The flyer I was given at the table was for a pop-up that occurred in May, so it was outdated. I would have up-to-date information instead.
Not a fan of the paint choices made pink and purple. Beach town blue and turquoise
Get renderings in advance and share that with actual walkers, cyclists and auto drivers who use the road - like me. Don't just use traffic engineers - they don't know the road. So,, what's next a roundabout -that would no doubt cause a pedestrian's life?
Not have it
Dismantle it.
See above, get input BEFORE. Also-consider the better locations for a walking/biking area versus a highly needed traffic flow area.
Paint the existing bike lane that is plenty wide enough
Would have allowed people opposing the event to speak
Not changing the parking
Not sure yet.
Two lanes each way. Narrow bike lanes. Change paint colors
Turn it back to the way it was. It was working.
Removal
End it and remove the the middle turning lane
Stop it.
Remove it and involve the local community and residents who use this area daily before implementing these kinds of changes. The changes literally appeared seemingly overnight without any warning.
Eliminate

Remove it. Traffic is a nightmare. No problem before the event. Bike lanes were fine and visible before the event (spouse bikes on portola often, reports no issues).
Put Portola back to two lanes mark bike lanes and put up crosswalk flashing lights. Staff with Sheriff at each end
Remove everything but the stop sign at 36th Ave
put multiple white posts around the outside of the pink pedestrian areas to keep cars out. The single big orange can is not very effective and it's ugly.
Keep the stop sign. Remove all other
Get rid of it.
Make it permanent and more robust.
Go back to the original configuration and stop trying to fix something that was never broken.
Do your job, Manu.
I would return it to what it was. I still don't understand why it was changed in the first place. For bicyclists? Pedestrians? I can say as a Pleasure Point resident that from my experience over the last 10 years both bicyclists and pedestrians use East Cliff more than Portola.
Get rid of it
Get rid of it
Just paint the regular bike lane how they do in other areas. There's already a bike lane and a sidewalk
simplify it
I'd remove it ASAP
Keep the bike lanes but open the street back up to 2 lanes. I do like the metal designs between the bike lane and the road but the fact that it is down to 1 lane makes this stretch horrible.
ILL CONCEIVED, LIVE HERE BEFORE YOU DO THIS
Go back to how it was
Nothing
Allow more views presented
Don't have it at all
Not sure...love the bike and pedestrian safety aspect, but the traffic back up is not good.
Go back to the original way. This is horrible.
Take the whole thing down.
I would probably change everything back to the way it was previously.
Make it two lanes again
Leave it alone!!!
Nothing
Not have it And make the supervisor answer questions about why he is so lame
Everything
Go back to the drawing board
Get rid of it
Take it down permanently
Remove
I would change the fact that are non-profits in town looking for ways to get financial grants to impose their ideas for our streets on us, and then claim that they are 'necessary.' Thus changing that it happened at all.
Put it back the way it should be, if your going to go past 41st at least before you had 2 lanes now your stuck in one lane
COMPLETE REMOVAL, SAVE FOR THE STOP SIGN AT 36TH AVENUE.
Make it all along portola.
get rid off the stop signs, it's less effective than the crossing lights. the bicycle barriers take up too much space in the road
I would change making the right lane just for right turns it is creating a bit of congestion having that lane closed off to all traffic
Remove it, and create a safe bike path along the railroad tracks. It was safer prior to the added lanes.
I'd change it back the way it was because it worked perfectly fine and I'd advise you to stop wasting our tax dollars on stupid signs around town that look like they're from isla vista or some crap SoCal city, there's one that literally says "wharf" with an arrow pointing to the wharf which is 10 yards behind it!!!! How much did that shit cost?! You wanna help the cyclists???? Built the bike path on the railroad tracks stupid!!!! I bike across town all the time and that would be great! What your doing on portola though is crap and should be changed back ASAP
Methodical traffic studies and EIRs should come before developing and implementing pilot solutions. Seems like we have new approaches to a growing problem, but these solutions still do not measure the cause of the problem: trip attractants. I.e. just like in the past, a comprehensive traffic study is still needed
Keep it 4 lanes, paint the bike lane green
Get rid of it its lame
Remove it.
Keep 2 lanes throughout
Get rid of it except for the stop sign at 36th. It has made traffic worse through the avenues where many of us live, impacting our quality of life. It was not needed in this location as there were already very wide bike lanes AND a wide sidewalk for pedestrians. I think it has made the area more unsafe for all because it causes huge distractions. Also, it creates more frustrated drivers who are then likely to speed when they break free if this traffic nightmare.
I would get rid of the damn garbage and put it back to normal!
Remove it and get rid of the silly art
It's not working

More planning, probably a different location, better messaging.
Remove obstacles to make it more bike friendly. Portola is now just full of extra hazards. I would minimize the physical barriers since they are dangerous to bikers!
Go back to how it was.
Leave it the way it was! I've lived in the "demonstration" even area for over 10 years and never had an issue until now!
bring the whole street back to where it was....This was not broken, so why fix it??
The stop sign on 36th makes sense... it's nearly impossible to turn onto portola (left turn). The other changes are terrible. Restricting traffic is NOT going to encourage tourists to magically become bikers or walkers. This is a terrible idea.
Portola is a major byway Monday-Friday. The changes cause much more congestion in these areas making visibility for biking worse. You are unable to see oncoming cars turning left until you are to or in the intersection. The changes also negatively impact the amount of cars that can get through the area in a given time creating another choke point.
TAKE THE DIVIDERS OFF DANGEROUS TAKE OUT THE STOP SIGN
Not do it
Forgot about bit and uninstall it ASAP.
Not have one
EVERYTHING
Bike lanes on the inside of parked cars
Give us back 2 lanes and remove the confusing purple and black paint
Take it out completely
Extend it up to 30th!
I would remove it.
Keep the stop sign. Ditch the rest.
Get rid of it.
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We need the full amount of lanes. People aren't using the turn only for turns, they use it to pass too. Too nervous to brake to turn into driveways I need to use.
End it today.
Keep 4 lanes of traffic, but no left turns onto 32nd, 35th, 36th or 37th. This is the main reason the traffic is dangerous for bikes and pedestrians. People can turn left at 41st, 38th or 30th to get to their houses, or they can turn right and go around the block (they won't want to, but, for example, the residents of 19th ave in SF felt the same way but got used to it). Santa Cruz has bad, dangerous traffic and needs big city solutions. I am already avoiding Portola and Portola businesses in my car, as many will, leading to unfair congestion on Brommer, and trouble for all the businesses except Cat&Cloud. On my bike, or walking I've always felt fairly safe.
Abandon the project! It has created a problem that was previously not there.
More communication and traffic jams need to be alleviated. Use the train tracks for bike path
Pick a different location. This is a main corridor for locals that by-pass the oversaturated/congested freeway. This will turn Portola into a parking lot as well, which means I will be taking back streets/residential areas for my future commuting.
Negatively impacts traffic
EVERYTHING TAKE IT AWAY
Delete it!
Change to 2 lanes for the whole way both sides
Keep multiple lanes of traffic in both directions. Just add stop sign to intersections of portola at 30th, 36th, and Adriene Way.
Root analysis must occur before any demonstration planning or events
I would restore back to original status.
Take away the left turn only lane and return Portola to 2 lanes in both directions!
I would like to see stop lights there too. Drivers are always getting really confused at the enter section, and that's what worries me about the change. I think the tendency of confusion that takes place there is a threat to the setup. I would have given more positive feedback if not for this worry.
Have it go back to how it was.
...
Encourage bicyclist to take the beautiful east cliff instead of making More traffic in our town!!!!!!
Remove it
Everything
Stop trying to buy peoples favor.
I don't care about the event. The changes are aesthetically awful and make the corridor LESS usable.
End it. Remove it.
I would get rid of it.
I wouldn't def. remove the purple /stripes/drawings and would absolutely NOT cut the driving lanes. I don't really like the wave structures either- they're sort of ugly. If there were a way to improve and split the sidewalk into bike and walking paths that'd make more sense to me. Maybe chat more with people who locally bike there - I didn't ever really see any issue with the flow of traffic and pedestrians so I'm not sure where the change came from as far as need.
I would not put demonstration in place.
If you're trying to make it safer for bikes and pedestrians add a stop sign at 36th and more flashing lights at crosswalks
We need more than one lane for traffic in each direction and the bulb outs are confusing. I would leave it alone.
leave it the way it was ...just clearly mark it.. maybe the bicycle lane line twice as wide
N/A

not much
Keep the roads as is. It is causing a traffic nightmare taking lanes away. Do not continue to reduce lanes at all.
Fresh design streamlined without looking like a preschooler made it
Take it down and work on the trail project! Paint normal bike lanes
REMOVE it and go back to the old set up without blocking all of the lanes for bikes as you set it up.
Remove everything that was installed and have Portola Dr go back to how it was. I don't feel safe walking with my kid or riding my bike down that part of Portola Dr now, too busy and too much congestion. It took us longer to cross the street than usual too
No changes
Nothing
N/a
Take down the barriers and signage as it is distracting to a driver. As a pedestrian and bicyclist, the congestion of cars makes me feel less safe. I do appreciate the green marking on the ground for a more defined bike lane, the rest of the project makes me feel claustrophobic riding or walking there. Very congested.
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Add fireworks and dancers! Maybe add some zoo animals and balloons.
Everything get rid of it
Take it out as soon as possible
all of it
If this were to make the traffic more safe in this area, I would not have done any of these things, but would incorporate more stop signs throughout this area. Cars are the most dangerous commuting vehicle and they speed around here all the time.
N/A
Remove it and put the funding to proper use
Keep the stop sign at 36th. Get rid of the rest.
Unfortunately this set up on Portola creates too much car traffic. The additional traffic was immediately apparent on day #1 of switching to a single lane each way. Love the idea of this, but not at the expense of creating more car back ups. Doesn't seem to be enough foot/bike usage to warrant the change.
Remove it
It would have been a good idea to implement one change at a time to be able to assess the full effect of the change without the interplay of other changes effecting the results. Maybe just installing the protected bike lanes at first would have demonstrated the effectiveness of that change alone more clearly, and the orange pylons could have been demonstrated in a different location to measure the effectiveness of that change more clearly at a later time or in a different place. Having done it like that would have been less "drastic" because the impact on the surrounding community would have been less severe.
I'm a pretty experienced cyclist, and a dedicated bicycle commuter. I used to ride in San Francisco, Palo Alto and San Jose. This is definitely one of the scariest and most dangerous installation I've ever encountered. By bringing the bike lane tighter to the curb and introducing parking between the bike lane and vehicular lane, turning vehicles cannot see cyclists till its too late. There are too many entry and exit points along this section of roadway - a condition that isn't easily fixed. Hemming in cyclists between the curb and the wave barriers makes it feel more unsafe and there's less space to maneuver if there's a problem. I've found that drivers here in Santa Cruz are fairly respectful and careful about cyclists. I dont know how many cyclists really take this section of Portola - many opt for E. Cliff rather than Portola. I think the energy should be spent looking at the intersection of 38th and Portola. There's lots of cyclists and walkers that are going to and from the beach via 38th. This intersection is scary for bicyclists and walkers alike.
Just about everything! The only thing I would ch aged is adding the stop sign at 36th Ave. Other than that the project has only created more issues
The demonstration event should run the entire length of Portola from 7th Avenue to 41st Avenue.
Make it larger and permanent!
Everything.
Get rid of it
Take it all away and if your worried about the bikers set up a barrier but don't take a one away
Putting it back as was. The main cross walks should have the flashing pedestrian light.
Either take those wave-barriers out or have them installed so that they don't fall into the bike lane.
Go back to 4 lanes for cars and put inm pedestrian imbikes, such as more stopsigns and bike free sidewalks provements that protect pedestrians from
Remove it completely, it disrupts traffic and was un-necessary
All but the stop sign at 36th
A better experience for parking and driving
I would change it back to how it was. The only change needed is just more flashing crosswalks. Protected bike lanes are appreciated as well as long as it doesn't bottle neck traffic.
Put it back the way it was..
Get rid of it. Go back to the way portola was.
Put it back the way it was and remove completely
Get rid of it!
Find a location where it is needed.
All of it except the stop sign at 36th
Too busy and confusing. Very distracting. Go back to 2 lanes and have less congestion of vehicles. More vehicles use 41st and Portola than bicycles and pedestrians.
Make it permanent. Do not listen to people who are opposed because Complete Streets is required by State Law: Assembly Bill 1358

When cross walks being used, install flashing lights to alert drivers in both direction. People and bikes use roadway not in accordance with 'law' or in drivers manual even though there have been few accidents- if any. Slowing traffic in this area will just impact other Streets as an unintended consequence.
Eliminar the left turn lane and the center lane for turns. Just put the waves or greens sticks on the solid white bike lane stripes. Keep two lanes of traffic
Do not make just a turning lane, and do not make parking spaces. Everything else would be fine
Clean it up. Move 2 lanes traffic each way. Stop sign at 36th seems to work for residents.
Make it the way it used to be
Everything
No have it installed would save lots of tax fund, it would create a safer environment for locals.
Bike lanes are sufficient. Most people are going to the beach in a car or trying to drive to another part of the area
No
Remove all the barriers and the middle turning lane. does not suit the area at all and is not needed.
Pass
Put traffic circles at 41st ave and 38th ave. The bike lane dividers will cause to many right hook incidents because they do not allow a car to move into the bike lane to make a legal right turn within 200' of said turn.
Your survey needs work. I already stated I don't want it to be permanent so this question is irrelevant
Get rid of it.
Eliminate the ew idea
Return it back to normal
I would say you should make 41st one lane
Take it down, causes traffic and almost no change other than that
Scrap it and put the effort elsewhere. If I'm walking or riding a bike it's not on Portola.
The white things, changing the road back to 2 lanes
Not do it....focus on rail trail
Signs about what the project elements are designed to do.
Need two lanes both ways the way it was
It was perfectly fine before this demonstration. their was no need to fix something that didn't need to be fixed
See answers to last question
Everything. It is causing more traffic. I know your going to say it's new people will get used to it. No there is to many vehicles on this part of Portola to change it to a single lane. This reminds me when we tried to turn highway 1 into a single lane heading into the fish hook heading towards 17. Yep it's true look it up. It didn't work there and it is going to be bad here.
see above: Although this seems to be a good idea, traffic is even more congested. Delineators prevent a safe left turn from our apartment (between frenchy's and pleasure point market). The single lanes increased traffic flow and cause confusion, We have almost been hit or had bicyclists hit us since this installation occurred. The main issue we see when walking to coffee in the morning are: 1. the bike logo's painted on the asphalt are spotty and runny (either didn't stir the paint or watered it down). Some lane dividing lines are orange (old) and the new ones are yellow. Truly the poor paint job is an eyesore. The plastic waves are a nice touch but as a temporary fixture some have already become trash for being so close to turns and leaving them as trash in the street, Be Safe, Dr. Bret Barker, DNP, FNP, RN 831-737-8275 41ST and Portola Dr. Santa Cruz, CA 95062
opening the lanes back to 2. not one.
No need to shut a traffic lane
take it all out
I would keep the stop sign for sure. Maybe even put one in between 30th and 36th to slow traffic, but I would keep two lanes, but paint a bright green bike lane and put signs up that says "BIKES RIGHT OF WAY" or something and FINES APPLY or something. The metal bike things are ugly and dangerous. The left turn is fine on 38th. I definitely do not like the parking spaces. That seems more dangerous than anything actually with families getting in and out of a car on a one lane road that is super close. Just make it one long green bike lane, two lanes for cars, left on 38th is fine.
Remove barriers that reduces traffic lanes down to one.
Get rid of all of it.
NA
Go back to two lanes each way. The traffic is bad with just one . I bike here all the time and don't see this as an improvement for cyclists,
Remove it before someone gets hurt
I would leave both lanes for through traffic, would take down the highly distracting bike/car dividers (or replace with something less busy looking), as well as the artistic purple corners (looks like my 3 year old painted it in chalk, plus is just more distracting. And to note, the only street that has true delays for turning left is 30th, which was not included in the project. I use Portola many times a day. Although I would have liked to see this project be successful, it is a big fail.
More input before installation
Remove it.
Keep te flashing pedestrian light as well as stop signs at 36th. People keep running the stop sign.
The placement of the bike dividers, remove the extra parking and purple curb extensions. The merge to 1 lane to added a median is not effective either. The potential to turn into a business compared to the added traffic is not worth it.
Put it back to normal I work at a restaurant in portola and it effects business when customers are eating on the patio they complain about having to stare out at all the traffic and the street being so much more noisy.
I believe that Portola needs to be kept as 4 lanes as it currently is. Cutting down to 2 lanes creates far too much back-up and confusion.
Less distraction, if I'm supposed to be looking out for bikes and pedestrians why add more visual distractions?

Keep all four lanes! No turning lane. Paint the bike lanes green. No barriers.
Remove the left turn only lanes at 38th & 37th. The white structures to separate cyclists from ongoing traffic is very distracting. I've biked along Portola prior to this demonstration event & felt that those white structures were not necessary. It's an eyesore.
more lanes for cars, there is already too much traffic as it is.
Keep it the way it is and pay to keep roads in good shape. There's already way too much traffic in capitola. This is ridiculous. There's not even a substantial amount of people that walk/bike that area that would require a whole lane closure. People can still walk on the sidewalk and bikers can use the bicycle lane. If you're worried about bikers getting hit, paint the bike lane lime green.
Remove turning only lanes
Remove white barriers and just paint the bike lane in like every other city. Maybe drop the speed limits to 25mph ? Install blinking lights at all crosswalks. Paint the legal turning areas in a way that they are marked and clear so that the bicyclists know that those are potentially dangerous spots that will make them more vulnerable so that they can be more aware of traffic they can't see
Take it down and tell everyone to go back to school if they can't walk or ride a bike
Remove it
Make it permanent and run down past 26th.
take it down
repaint the bike lane instead
Find an appropriate location for this application.
Return it to original. Add sidewalk to 38th and Portola. Keep the new stop, fix the pavement and add more lighting.
everything
Take it down and put it back how it was. Or do the big green bike lanes that are all around town.
Remove it entirely. It's not necessary.
The installation doesn't do what it's meant to and it impacts driving on a busy road more difficult and dangerous
Do away with it! We need the same amount of lanes, not less! If anything keep the protected bike lane but less driving lanes isn't the answer.
Cannot turn left from 40th. Traffic from 41 St even worse
I would get rid of them. They look cheap and I don't understand the need for them. Were there accidents because people suck at driving that bad?
get rid of the orange barrels, remove the hoops that are already broken and laying on the ground or snapped and sticking straight up in the air. Less in your face -
Portola drive was much clearer to navigate before the change. The traffic is so backed up now due to the changes.
Change it back to how it was, we don't need more traffic here
Take away those ugly white dividers, get rid of the forced turns and bottle neck, and ditch the random purple squiggles.
Take it out
I'd put it back to normal and fix out shitty ass roads before doing unnecessary shit that creates more traffic issues
BRING BACK BOTH LANES! No turning lane.
The lane change
All of it
I would change everything. It was not a well thought out plan. If you live and work in Pleasure point, this has added traffic congestion and confusion at 38th 4 way stop. It actually aids walkers and bikers less. It is unsafe and the plan needs to go back through design.
Take it out
Remove it
Use the current bike lane identification that is currently being used in Santa Cruz. This is NOT an art project it is a road.
Getting rid of it.
Not sure
Don't add extra stop signs at 36th Ave.
Reestablish a second lane in both directions
I would remove it.
Change it back
See above.
Revert back to normal.
Not to have done it. Waste of tax payer money when there are more pressing uses of funds.
Take it down
return to original configuration
I would extend it as far down Portola as possible.
Back to normal
Please remove it.
I believe the task of changing human behavior to make a certain location safer is getting lost in the artistic expression. I would work on the current lack of visual hierarchy in the "demonstration". Currently, every element is of equal visual importance so rather than the elements working together to visually lead people through the experience, each one just calls out as it's own separate expression which results in visual confusion. You're watching the new green arrows, white wavy plastic and black and white patterns and not the road...
Remove it
The weird purple paint needs to go ASAP. It's confusing and ugly. Is that even a pattern used ANYWHERE else? How are non locals supposed to know what that road marker means? It's not in the DMV handbook.

Bikes do not need corridor lanes! Buses do, but Our community already share the road with a focus on pedestrians and bikers, we have bike lanes throughout live oak. Just paint so lanes & lines can be seen!
Remove it. It's just clutter!
go back to normal please
Remove it.
Back to the way it was.
If there needs to be a barrier, it needs to be less distracting, there needs to be clearer signage, and more research into the specific area. The traffic backup is due to 2 lanes in the northbound direction being forced into 1 when it always is busy. Do more research on traffic patterns.
Everything needs to go back to the way it was before
I would cancel it
All of it. Just remove it no one likes it. Can't change Santa Cruz to be something is not. Portola is not downtown and will never be like downtown. This has been useless and frustrating.
I would leave the bike lane painted green and completely revert all other changes including making the road two Lanes again, getting rid of the strange and weak bike barriers, and maybe removing the odd and out of place purple line design on the road that don't get with the area at all.
Put it back to two lanes in each way. All you have done is clogged up the road and put traffic on the other streets that has a lot of kids that ride their bikes to get to the beach. 38th and 26th has so many kids that ride their bikes and skateboards now they are at more danger because of the increased traffic on those roads. I like the idea of the bike people having a Barrier from the cars. But not one that can grab their handle bars, that is also not going to stop a car from hitting them. The middle turn lane is unneeded. Wasn't an issue before. As someone who house is on Portola and drives it multiple times a day. This has made it a clogged mess. I to now avoid it and go down the other neighborhood streets to not have to sit in the long line of cars.
Put something real on the unused rail corridor.
Change it back to how it was before
Na
put it back to it's original state and leave the stop sign and 36th & portola
Dump it
I don't like the wavy white dividers very much. I would prefer the basic vertical plastic poles. The wavy dividers seem a bit dangerous. I could see getting tangled up in them by accident. I love the fact that you are experimenting with the road change.
Make the protected bike much longer, maybe all the way to 17th.
I would take it down completely
It feels incomplete and chaotic. Better standardized treatment needed. No buffer between bike lane and travel lane with the protection. Like Water St better
Leave the new stop sign. Get real barriers, those are ridiculous. Put the traffic lanes back the way they were.
Not do it at all. Stupid idea designed and implemented by idiots. Send it back to the high school drafting class file it under nice try.
Everything, should be back to two lanes. Remove distracting obstacles that separate bike lanes
Get rid of it. Use our resources on improving our town not on making things confusing. Fix our roads.
I would dismantle it immediately.
No weird plastic things blocking the bike lane and not altering the driving lanes.
Not do it at all
I'll put it back the way it was there's nothing wrong with it
Take it out
One lane restriction. Open back up to 2.
Remove it. Harder to see pedestrians & bikes. Install lighted crosswalk instead
Everything
get rid of the distractions, the sudden change from 4 lanes to 2, remove it all. its a waste of money and space.
Remove it
Make both lanes through lanes at least
All of it. Nothing is clear. Signs are non existent, old lines still visible, markings not bright enough to show new rules/right of ways.
Go back to two lanes, not a suicide/turn lane. Remove the physical barriers that separate cars and the bike lane. Remove the purple striped markings and make them the classic green bike lane markings.
both lanes need to go straight.
The waves, they are pointless. It really does not add protection to cyclists or pedestrians. Just make the cycling lane visible. Otherwise put concrete pillars like they do in European countries. That will stop a car from drifting into the cycling lane. Please bring back the two full car lanes. The traffic is now worse and yet pedestrians still have to cross the same street width.
Tighter Covid-19 restrictions
I would put it back the way it was. A middle turning lane is unnecessary between the two stops signs from 41st to 38th. It's not that busy a thoroughfare and the stop signs give plenty of time to turn. This is a mess!
Apparently people with negative views were not allowed to speak.
Get rid of it, and fast.
WHY CHANGE A GOOD THING!!!
Maybe just paint the lines between bikes, walking, and the roads better. Maybe we need pavement improvements also. This side of town has not had a new pavement and new lines for a very long time. That's why it's been unsafe. Also how about some police patrolling the stuff signs that nobody ever stops at because they know no one is ever watching.

There's no reason for parking spots in the road lane from 36th Ave to 41st. There isn't enough demand for them from any retail spaces along this route, other than perhaps Cat n Cloud. All other retail has their own parking lots, or large parking lots in their respective strip malls. I haven't seen any of these parking spots other than in front of Cat n Cloud be used. Because of them, Portola has become so backed up because of the 1 lane. I've never been in bumper to bumper traffic on Portola. I'm sorry to say but it simply doesn't work. There's also no reason for a 1 lane between 41st and Portola heading West. The turning only lane for retail and 38th isn't being utilized at all, and people don't turn enough into those retail centers enough to justify it being it's own lane. It's been very frustrating. (I live in Pleasure point and turn in and out of 36th Ave daily, and our family lives on 38th)
Keep 2 lanes instead of changing them and forcing drivers to merge. This will only cause traffic back ups and confusion
Remove it, add lighted crosswalks, stop signs or a middle lane to pull out to.
N/A
I would change it back to the way it was until a quality design can be implemented ASAP. The temporary design is dangerous as is now. I've seen 3 cars run the stop sign in the last 2 days.
Do not start it on the same day as a detour from east cliff because its closed at Moran for construction! oops
Don't think you need any dedicated right turn lines. Those line would be more helpful if they also went straight. Would reduce the numbers of cars and wait time at the stop sign.
Don't do it
Portola was fine before you clowns got involved.
Take it all away and put Portola back to the way it was
Better signage for turns
N/A
Remove it!!!
Everything
Everything
Two lanes
Keep the colorful ground and some of the white bike things. Go back to 2 lanes for cars
It's very distracting with all the different colors and things going on everywhere. Maybe streamline it somehow?
Everything
Put it back to 2 lanes for cars. Leave it alone
Remove it all
Completely remove it. A good start at making portola a more safe road would be restricting the lines. Portion is way more safe then other roads in our county which need much more work. I have live here 23 years and feel more uncomfortable both inside and outside of a vehicle in this area than I did before since installation. If it's confusing to me and I'm sure the tourist traffic will be even more confused.
Keep the new stop at 36th and remove all other changes
Remove
I would eliminate it sooner than planned.
remove it
I would remove it. It does not seem to be helpful to have portola be a one lane street.
We MUST keep at least 2 lanes in each direction on Portola. Why not move the bike lane to the Rail Trail?!? Isn't that why we bought the property? Keep the 4 lanes of traffic and narrow the bike lane?
Put it back to the way it was
Remove it
Everything.
The wide "purple" curbs are too wide. It will cause problems.
remove it.
Keep two lanes of traffic going both ways and paint a bike lane...done
Leave it alone. Don't change
Put in a bike lane and leave it at that
The designated two left turn lanes at 38th and 36th I think are unnecessary. I'd prefer if those lanes allowed you to also go straight.
Paint a sign on the pavement before the 37th (?) street stop sign warning cyclist to stop. 'Stop Ahead'
remove it and leave Portole a 4 lane
Get rid of the entire thing so I can drive down the road I've spent my entire life driving without dealing with this BS
Three lanes
It wouldn't have happened
Return flowing traffic back to two lanes
Let the drivers get through better without almost hitting someone or something
Take it all down.
Go back to normal Portola
We don't need change with Portola
Remove it all
Take it down.
Perhaps spend money cleaning and maintaining what we already have. Perhaps teach car safety classes or bike safety classes about what we already have.
Teach common sense to the planners planning this stuff.
Take it all down
Take it out. There was no problem needing to be fixed.

Take it down now.
Not having implemented it at all.
I would keep it how it was. If I were to do anything differently it would be another flashing crosswalk. The 4 way stop at 36th and Portola is nice for pulling out of that street while the taco truck is at over the hill gang.
Take it down
Everything
I would change it back
Keep it the way it was and paint the bike lane a bright color. Taking away the two lanes will make car travel much more congested. The stop sign by cat and cloud should stay though that was a good change. But the down to one lane feels unnecessary. We already have a good size bike lane that I feel comfortable in.
More heads up when it becomes 1 lane and turning lane
Na
Slightly wider lane for cars each direction. Bike lane could be a few inches narrower as it is directional. Clean up look. Right now w/ everything, looks "post carnival"
Take it all away. There was nothing wrong with the road before
Everything. Remove it.
More is less
Re-pave streets, take out that left turn lane which clogs traffic and makes drivers angry (hence more likely to make rash turns and hit bikers), and if you do put in barriers, make sure the bike lanes are smooth enough to ride and that the barriers aren't so big/tall. The barriers put up near De Anza college over the hill might be a good option, check those out! They are like the edges of a sidewalk placed between the bike lane and the main street, and they seem to work well while maintaining visibility
The barriers are awful
Understanding that a community that is already busy on a daily basis is now being inundated with more driver trying to make it through traffic by going into neighborhoods with kid playing
Not do it
Make it 4 lanes for car traffic
Everything. Tear it all out
Remove it all
Too distracting- find out what local community wants first- ask businesses and disabled community members
Lane size is small and not manageable I feel like im going to get in a accident everytime I drive it. Artwork on sidewalk looks amateurish like a child did it and isnt appealing to the eye.
The entire concept was very poorly planned
I would remove it and relocate it to a location where bicyclist actually transit. In addition to that, it needs a whole new design. The money used to install would have been better spend on fixing the road and sidewalks which the community actually uses.
Take it down. It's ugly and makes more traffic
More input prior to something so confusing
No comment
Extend the bike lanes, and generate more publicity in advance so more pedestrians and cyclists can participate. Drivers can also find alternate routes in advance to avoid congestion.
I would revert to the previously existing design with 2 traffic lanes and 1 bike lane. The parking spaces and islands provide LESS flexibility for vehicle traffic to give space to bikes and will lead to more bottlenecks and sudden slow-downs which will actually be an increased risk to bicyclists.
Invest this time energy and effort into the Santa Cruz Greenway. This would be a directly beneficial move to the community. The opposition to this project is Aires from the Disney family and the rail road industry. The vast majority of the community is on board with The Santa Cruz Greenway. Plus it's implementation would only be a few blocks away from your current installment.
Leave it alone and work on 41st Ave and Portola
As stated previously, return to two car lanes each way with no dedicated turn lanes. Remove the added on-street parking, which is benefiting one retail location (Cat & Cloud). Paint the bike lane green to highlight its location along the entire Portola Drive to Cliff and East Cliff Drive. Leave the stop sign at 36th Avenue as it's necessary to reduce traffic speeds mid-stretch, turning accidents and pedestrian crosswalk risks.
I would not touch the driving lanes. I would keep some sort of barrier for the bike lanes but would opt for bright, non decorative, instructional painting. The purple, while pretty, has no contrast to the pavement, particularly at night or in the fog
I would take away the parking orange barrels. I don't find additional parking necessary in this part of town. There is the parking lot near suda, the parking lot across from pleasure pizza and the parking lot behind verve. The orange barrels obstruct drivers path and their purpose is unclear to me. I would also reopen the two lanes. One lane make that street so hard to drive on. It is the main drag that connects me to downtown and now I dread driving down it. It is so congested. The traffic has increased significantly and I don't think the stop sign has improved things all too much. At best the stop sign is neutral. I would have introduced one element at a time to make the change more manageable for people.
Get rid of it. It doesn't work. Causing further congestion, more traffic, more smog harms the environment.
Roundabouts for traffic would would better serve the area. Less lanes will mean more traffic and more congestion. The area needs a road widening project, Soquel, Capitola Rd, and Portola are the main roads for locals who commute and buy products and services.
Get ride of it... its been this way for many years..no need to change it now.
This whole thing never happened.
Remove the forced right turns
Allow both sides to be heard

just make the bike lane more prominent but return everything else to normal
The whole thing, it's just terrible.
Keep portola 2 lanes, keep a bike lane, keep lights to help cross for pedestrians, wtf are you doing
Make a large sidewalk & bike apron. Redesign the available space without restricting traffic. What about a roundabout @ 41st & Portola?
everything! tell the police to actually enforce bike road laws, and none of this would be an issue!
More safety would be achieved by teaching bicyclists to follow the rules of the road.
The turn only lanes
The design, again, looks ridiculous. Not appeasing in the slightest and is personally unhelpful
Have a demonstration that makes sense not make it more miserable for everyone
Just simple bike lanes like everywhere else in town. Keep consistent with the visibility of bike lanes, green lanes. Keep traffic flow the same. There's never been an issue before this project.
Remove it and put it back the way it was.
I am all for more biking / walking space in busy parts of Santa Cruz, but not at the expense of a lane on either side of the street in one of the busiest parts of Pleasure Point. You're creating an incredibly frustrating bottleneck for drivers in exchange for a limited portion of biking/walking space. The distance you have for biking and walking doesn't even seem like it will provide that much benefit to those parties. Is there a way to keep two lanes on either side of the street AND provide biking / walking space up and down Portola for a longer distance?
Would not have had it at all It's a waste of tax payers money Horrible design
remove it
Take it all down
All of it...absolutely unnecessary
Removed
Bring it back to normal, there is too much traffic
Everything this was the worst planned idea I've ever seen stop wasting local tax payer money on stupid stuff like this it's also ruined traffic for my business
Remove it
Keep two lanes both ways. There is literally no need for dedicated turning lanes on Portola, YOU ARE JUST CREATING MORE TRAFFIC!
Create a way to protect bikes a pedestrian that clear and efficient
Keep traffic and lanes the same as they have always been, get rid of parallel parking on Portola that would be a nightmare for traffic (people trying to parallel park blocking the only lane!). Green in bike lanes and barriers make sense. Other colors and patterns are confusing.
Take it out.... 1. Most bikers will take the beach route not Portola. 2. When biking the railing makes it difficult to pass slower bikers.
Better signage/markings on the street.
Do not do it and if you have to make it continuous. Stop with the multiple merge.
Not implement the white plastic barriers.
Everything
Go back to two lanes for cars. Paint clear lines and signs for bike lanes, not obstacles that will cause accidents.
To fix traffic remove signs and force cars to slow down and navigate, not just bounce from one barrier to another
I'd change it back. I recognize that having fewer cars on the roads would be beneficial to the environment and for traffic but reducing portola to one lane so that everyone has to merge in such a short amount of time is ridiculous. It also makes getting into and out of bus stops way harder with a constant flow of traffic.
Probably those hoop things
Nothing. Except I would make it permanent.
Leave 4 lanes of through traffic.
Absolutely go back to all 4 lanes like how it has been!!!!!!
Don't ever do it again
I'm all for trying to provide more protection for bicyclists, but there has to be a less confusing way to do it. The barriers along the bike lane actually make it harder to spot cyclists. Painting the bike lanes a standard green might be a simpler way to designate their right to the road while not hiding them and adding impediments to navigating the road. The barriers might just be confusing because they are so intermittent - perhaps due in part to all the driveways they cross. Also, there needs to be a more steady number/use of car lanes. The current system going back and forth between one and two lanes is causing all kinds of confusion and major backups. I live in Pleasure Point. Even for those of us who walk and bike as much as possible in the neighborhood, Portola is a major thoroughfare that we sometimes have to drive (e.g. when going all the way up 41st to get to the 1 or 17). It would be interesting to understand the impact of incremental steps to improve safety for all - including the stops at 36th and painted bike lanes - before going to something more drastic like reducing the number of car lanes.
remove it
get read of all the other stuff and change bike lanes to be 6 feet wide. no matter what you do i see them doing what they want and not staying in the area.
Return the second lane of traffic to through traffic. And, make the rail trail if you want a bike path!
Portola has too much traffic as it is; removing a car lane will make it worse. Let's implement bike/walk streets parallel to Portola.
re-instate all lanes, remove "structures".
Keep the 2 lanes. Traffic is horrible
Learn from the mistake of having it period
Provide clarity, rather than just too much stuff. Stick with a protected bike lane without adding and changing everything else.
I'd take it all down

Increase the stop ares on 41st, 38th and 36th to 2 lanes wide. Encourage bikes to take E. Cliff, more bike friendly. Increase on street parking for Portola. find a way to eliminate the traffic congestion.
I wouldn't have n event. Ugghh
Remove it
EVERYTHING. I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE BACK THAT LANE BECAUSE THERE ALREADY IS A BIKE LANE WITH A FUCKING SIDE WALK. FUCK YOUR DEMONSTRATION KOOKS
See above. I think most of it is extremely unhelpful and doesn't add to safety. Just speed bumps between 38th and 30th please.
The event should have taken place prior to the installation and allowed community input to determine validity of project
There are actually not that many bicyclists, but physically separated bike lanes may make biking there safer. The cross walk on 36th has always been scary, due to speeding cars, some cars stopping others trying to pass and speed Dedicated right turn lane at 38th towards East cliff doesn't really make sense, while I like the left turn lane at 36th (onto 36th)
I would just paint the bike lanes green and call it a day. Everything else needs to go it is too distracting to drivers which actually puts pedestrians and bikers more at risk.
Everything put it back to normal
Allow people to speak
No mandatory turn lanes on 38th & 36th. Make 2 lanes from intersection at 41st. Remove the white objects from near turn lane on off 41st.
I would have liked it to be longer, reaching down to where Portola goes one lane again. That would better model the final traffic impact of this possible change.
No forced right hand turns into neighborhoods.
Switch it back
I think safety may be improved by restoring 2 lanes, using markings and single plastic pylons for separation. When I rode demonstration, already 2 waves barriers were knocked over, leaning into the protected lane creating new obstacles for cyclists.
People's negative attitudes regarding positive change.
All of it. It doesn't help everyone move through the space
I would get rid of it entirely.
NO ONE LANE!!!
Don't even think about keeping it.
There is too much traffic down Portola Drive to make what would essentially be a single lane in each direction. I am pro bicycle and foot traffic. I ride my bike as much as possible to accomplish errands, and when I go to a restaurant if there is a bicycle rack near by. But this "demonstration" causes too much congestion through this corridor.
That it didn't happen
restore the whole thing to the way it was before. This project makes no logical sense and it is ugly because it is so busy and confusing, it is ugly because it created way more traffic jams, it is ugly because it is angering people and it is ugly in the artistic sense in that it is not beautiful
Just pull it out and get it reinstalled, this is just so bad
Not do it.
Put back to normal
take it out
Make it like it was before.
I would abandon the idea that it needs to intrude on the vehicle lane space at all.. there's plenty of space to improve bicycle and walking safety and visibility without it.
Get rid of it.
See above
Everything
Have cameras to catch the rude people who took them down!
simply make the bike lane (which already exists) green like the rest of town has done. This is too complicated and will cause accidents.
Nothing
Poorly planned and full of unintended consequences, especially with the addition of a stop sign at 38th and portola; it's near impossible to exit the shopping center because of the never-ending line of cars now stopping at the new stop sign. The blinking pedestrian markers are always welcome and will suffice in increasing pedestrian safety.
Blue color hard working people live here. Remember them? The ones that clean your houses? We ride our bike because we have to, not just for 'funzies'. We need efficient traffic lanes, not tourist, rich people lounge lanes.
Take it away and just take away some of the parallel parking in the current come lane to better accommodate cyclists. This experiment is a colossal failure
I would remove the right turn only stipulations, where implemented, and return the street to 2 lanes in each direction, with a traditional bike lane in the traditional placement
Remove it all together
Keep the green bike lane, remove the barriers and return the previous street parking.
N/A
remove the new one lane idea and the new stop sign
get rid of it
Take down those stupid barriers. They won't prevent a car from running someone over.
Take it ALL DOWN!

Make the lane a bike lane and keep the car lane, there's definitely going to be impact all the way to 4q if this stays and it's not a good solution. Do better...
Nothing
everything
1. Short center turning lanes must be returned to full travel lanes for vehicles. 2. Eliminate intersection bulb outs which interfere with adequate turning radii for large vehicles
It needs 2 lanes of traffic not one. Idiotic to turn 2 lanes down to 1. More traffic congestion is worse for bikes and pedestrians not better. SC already had horrible congestion and eats too get around, now it's made worse instead of better??
Put it back to normal.
It should've never happened it should've stayed the way it was everything was just fine
Leave it as it was originally.
Everything. Remove it
Remove this project - spend money on more important things
Keep the bike lane straight rather than jutting in at the curb cuts
I would return it to normal, maybe leave the 4 way stop at 36th without the designated turn lanes
All the plastic / metal lump things. Such a waste of material for a temporary change. Seems weird for being environmentally friendly
I would have it end with you fools pledging to never vote again in your lives because you are dangerous.
This road is way too busy to turn into two lanes. I see about 300 families a week at my business- 3910 Portola Dr. Ste 2/3 and it has made a majority of my parents very late to class because of the traffic jam this project has created. It is a nightmare. There is a very high density of families that live in this region and will not be using the bike lanes. This project is not liked by anyone I know that lives in this area. It's a major back road commute route and now we have a major traffic jam with parents trying to get their children to events, schools, classes-. This county does not need another traffic jam nightmare.
End it
Back to 2 lanes
Remove the middle turn lane and keep two lanes in both directions. One lane creates more traffic. Also, no stop sign is required near 35th, there is not purpose for it. A turn lane into 38th is not necessary. The painting at each corner is so ugly. What is the purpose for change? Is there a problem going on?
All of it. If you want to make biking safer this isn't the way.
Tear it out
I would remove all the bike lane barriers. They are more dangerous than a bike lane without them. I would remove all the new paint on the ground and put back the second car lane.
I would eliminate it! There are plenty of parking lots around that area which gives pedestrians plenty of room to navigate the streets. Plus, when did this become an issue! How long have the people who thought this was a good idea, lived in this area? It was always a traffic jam with two lanes, so let's make it one?!? I'm pretty sure the bike lane and the sidewalk don't get jammed up like the streets! If you can't ride a bike safely around traffic, DONT! Go in the woods! There are lots of places to ride.
Remove it immediately! Complete fail!
take it down!
End it
The turn lanes and the visual obstructions The right turn lanes. Why encourage people to drive down slow residential streets? The parallel parking (there is plenty of parking in the shopping center) The perpetual focus on tourism over people who live and work in the area
all of it
Clearer markings and dividers. Better signage.
4 lanes
Go back to the way it was!
I wouldn't take away driving lanes
100% get rid of the turn lines.
N/A
We need a light the big problem now remains at 41st & Portola, where there are many popular restaurants and bars. The drivers at the 4-way stop tend to fail to identify who should have the right-of-way, leading to frustration and road rage, with a frustrated driver often lurching out into the intersection. That's the danger: the drivers are focused on each other, while the pedestrians are drunk and/or partying and/or children. That's why the danger of a driver hitting a pedestrian is so alarming and so frequently leads to close calls. Beyond that, the sheer volume of pedestrian traffic is so extreme on weekends and hot weekdays that drivers become frustrated and angry even before they get to the first stop in each lane and have to start trying to assess who (among drivers) has the right-of-way. A light would stop drivers from killing or injuring pedestrians as well as stopping never-ending pedestrian traffic from making life miserable for drivers.
More notice ahead of time might have eased people into the idea. It seems to happen out of the blue.
I'd take everything down except maybe the stop sign by cat and cloud. But even that is debatable. Maybe just leave the crosswalk lights so it's very obvious when someone is waiting to cross. Get rid of the turn only lanes and the guard rails—those don't prevent bikers from being hit and if anything, make you feel very trapped on a bike.
Do something to alleviate congestion at intersection of Portola and 40 for us.
Green paint lane
Pick a different location. Make the temporary time frame much shorter.
Bring back two lanes.
Take away all of it and make the road like how it was

Post signs that it is temporary, provide this survey for all to quickly voice what they want .
Very poorly marketed. Poorly designed. Did not follow what community voted for.
Keep the barriers, but change the driving back to two lanes each way. Making a street smaller will not keep people from coming and will only cause traffic and anger. Is that safe?
Remove the barriers to the bike lane. Also, the parking spots in front of Cat and Cloud in what used to be a travel lane are also dangerous without proper signage alerting drivers
Get rid of it completely.
This is a busy street that shouldn't be one lane each way. It should have been kept two lanes.
See above. DO NOT make permanent the two lanes to only one lane w middle merge lane permanent. About the worst decision ever
Everything
Make it go away
Remove the wavy sides add motion detector dots
Done. Yay it was a cool experiment but please change it back to what was there...dont "fix" what's not broke
Have it not happen
less negative comments
See answer to question 17.
Everything
Everything
It's a little hockey because the elements are not permanent so I'd fine tune everything. Other than that, great job!!!
Make it two lanes, get rid of the extra stop sign, and take out the bike lane things
Remove it. It will be even worse with tourists
Not much. No matter what you do people will yell and stomp around. I wonder how closely coordinated this was with Manu's office. I don't like him much personally, but I mean the dude ran on the "greenway".
Remove it
Everything. Why fix something that is not broken. Very dangerous. Poor planning.
Remove this shit immediately
I would make a day where everyone can rip down this thing together in celebration!
I would have it removed as soon as possible.
Well It should've never happened ... how in the heck did you think you food just change the infrastructure overnight & the entire county would just applaud? Wow?! Kinda bold don't ya think? I mean did y'all think we were just gonna blindly say 'sure' ... I think I'll go change something in the county too and then ask for y'all's permission 🙏
n/a
The idea itself
Keep all lanes, implement speed humps on Portola and 41st as well
Bring back two lanes for cars
Better to have a sidewalk/multi use trail and not take away vehicle lanes.
Keep two lanes!!!!!! Traffic is a nightmare
The signs are basically construction signs. To get a true idea of what the finished product would like like the final signs need to be included. Otherwise it just seems like a construction site.
Leave portals alone
It never should have been part of the plan. Disconnect leadership
Move it to the rail trail.
Remove it.
Separating people from cars is what makes people feel safe on foot or on a bike. This does not create any additional separation, it just takes away traffic lanes.
I would extend it further towards live oak
Everything. Restore portola to how it was prior to this fiasco.
Improve the aesthetics...looks junky right now. Also make it easier for bikes to make a left turn at the avenues when going West.
Remove it
It should not have happened
everything
Eliminate it

<p>Year after year the 41st Ave. And Portola four way stop sign intersection is getting busier and busier. With drivers trying to go straight, make left and right turns folks on foot making absolutely no pauses when walking straight and then immediate making 90° turns into a walkway with no looking out for traffic or if someone is already in progress coming into the intersection interrupts cars smack in the middle of the intersection and no one can move... I don't think it is unreasonable to post signs asking pedestrians to pause and see if cars are in progress already for their turn to go through the intersection. If there is not going to be a traffic light put in this intersection I don't think it's asking too much for people to have common courtesy whether it be cars or pedestrians. Another intersection that needs consideration for an additional one or two stop signs is further down Portola by 7-Eleven at 30th Ave. . If you are coming from the cliffs/water on 30th Ave. and get to the stop sign right there at 7-Eleven , on your right side, and you are trying to make a left turn onto Portola heading downtown it gets quite challenging to navigate cars coming straight at you from the left , and combine that with the cars flying down Portola from the right on that long straight away... most people do not even put their left turn signal on to let you know they're going to cut in front of you even though they know you're trying to make a left turn... And for those that do put their blinker on and you figure they are going to slow down to make the left turn so you start to pull out so they don't cross in front of you , they speed up to beat you to the turn... By the time all this happens you now have another big flow of cars coming from your left . My recommendation is to put a stop sign on the left side of that corner for the folks coming out of 30th Ave. from the water,... And another stop sign basically in the middle of that intersection for the drivers on Portola that are going to make a left turn onto 30th towards the water but they have a stop sign before they make that left... That's probably Sounds confusing without a diagram... I'd be happy to draw that up if you want me to email a lay out of what that looks like.</p>
Unnecessary, makes traffic worse
The garrish street painting.
eliminating a lane for cars
regular green painted bike lane would be nice without crazy cheap looking wavy bars
Remove it
Any signage or communication besides reading about it in the media would be better.
Change it and move it. And advertise it more Broadly prior to implementing it. It was a terrible few days leaving my home due to traffic with construction and its been awful with traffic since.
Remove it ASAP
Make it simpler
Erase it all, except the stop sign at 36th.
The bike lane dividers (wave shape) are distracting visually. Both as a driver and a rider/walker they are a bit hard to navigate. I assume any permanent version would have diff visual lines and would read more intuitively. Thanks.
Remove it
Take it down
Everything - take it down!!
Extend it to 30th Avenue where 2 lanes start, all along Portola from 30th to 41st. It is now almost impossible to turn left from 30th avenue at 7/11 onto Portola, cars speed up when leave stop sign. WE Need a center turning LANE
nothing
Brighter paint on the ground. Some of it was confusing. A large sign at each end designating the zone with brief instructions for motorists would help.
Extra stop sign is unnecessary. Prefer the four lanes over the two lanes. Two lanes causes congestion making it more dangerous to ride or walk.
remove
Nothing
Remove it
ALL OF IT. Put it back to the way it was
Nothing. I think it's a good idea to try out proposals on a temporary basis. At least we know now that we hate it.
Bigger barriers for the bike line that make it more clear there is a division
Move it to a place that is in bigger need of cycling awareness (E Cliff & Aptos village come to mind as particularly dangerous for cyclists)
Take away everything EXCEPT FOR the green and white bike lane.
Na
get rid of it permanently
I would rip it out and with the money I saved I would fix every stretch of bad road & pot hole in Live Oak.
Extend it city-wide, and make it permanent.
skip wasting taxpayer dollars on these overdesigned "improvements" that are not improvements!
I would go back to the old way and find other alternatives for bicycle safety.
Remove everything and leave the stop signs at 36th.
Rather than a center turn lane, put both car lanes in the middle of the street with parallel parking between the car lanes and the bike path. This would add additional parking and provide even more separation between moving cars and pedestrians/cyclists.
Open the lanes back up
Take it out
I firmly believe Portola needs to remain 2 lanes. You will just create gridlock here using more fossil fuels. You are already pushing more cars into the surrounding streets and Brommer. We have few crosstown routes. I fear more accidents on Portola and nearby streets.
Remove it, it screws up car traffic for the whole community ... remove the barrels/ turn lanes / parking spaces, leave the painting on the road for bike lanes
Remove it all

I'm not sure I fully understand the intent (specifically the painted eastbound section currently occupied by big orange cones—is that supposed to be more parking?), but I do not think it wise to have only one lane for cars on either side of Portola. I could see maintaining a clear designation for bikes (preferably just a painted lane without a physical barrier) but returning the traffic lane assignments to their original functions.
Take them down.
na
I would change it back, tgat intersection at 41st. Is already a night mare why make it 100% worse!
Get rid of it
stop having them
More public outreach to notify and inform not only the community within, but expand radius leading up to changes
Make it much more clear and evident
I guess more communication about the project and I would like to see the results of any surveys or studies done
I would return to having two lanes on each side. This has created the worst traffic problem, while there was never this much traffic before. I understand wanting to make it safer for cyclists and pedestrians but typically cyclists and pedestrians use East cliff dr, not Portola. This has caused so much traffic in the area. And people now chose to drive through the neighbors that used to be empty. It's dangerous for everyone.
Take it down. Was their even a high number of accidents on portola?
Nothing- please make it permanent
Leave or eliminate some of the parking places at the curb and create a safe bicycle lane with lights/glow in the dark paint.
we need roadway. we do not ride bikes to work. we drive cars because there is no employment in santa cruz that allows us to afford to live here. why not make it easier to drive to work? reward the people who pay the taxes here!!!!
the wavy bike lane structures. While these look nice and ocean-like, they feel rather treacherous while cycling. planter boxes might work better.
Hire a professional
No barrier
Hire professional road workers to paint the road. It looks like children painted it (specifically, the green and purple areas). The lines are not sharp, it looks bad. I'd be fired if I signed off on the job that was performed.
Leave it the way it was. Why are we making these changes?
Bigger signage
More public notice and advertising locally.
Remove rails, remove merge lanes, replace removed lanes.
Save the money for something else like maintenance of existing road, stripes and signage
It needs to go back to two lanes. Unfortunately there are way too many people in this town now and it's creating mass gridlock.
This does not make sense at all.
Remove it
I would make it so it benefits residents instead of businesses.
Remove it
Get rid of it.
More local store owner participation.
Bring back two lanes at the beginning of the street.
I would change Portola back to the way it was, with two lanes on each side and parking along curb, with a bike lane that didn't have the strange curved intermittent barriers.
Not hold it period, waist of tax payer dollars.
Go back to the traffic flow as it was before, just keep the green paintings on the road to keep the bike lanes more visible.
n/a
Take it away and make it 2 lanes again
Go back to how it was
All of it. The traffic is much worse now. Cars backed up. I didn't see a problem with the way it was before.
Put out three different ideas not one. This is an opportunity to put in place a more tangible and long lasting solution.
Not look so cheap
I would not have made an entire car lane for bikes—and create TONS of additional traffic for cars. it's not necessary. We don't have THAT MUCH bike traffic on portola.
NOT to have those instead FOCUS on REAL TIME needs
I would not proceed with the project. For me, as both a local resident and cyclist, the added car congestion is not worth whatever the intended benefits were.
Take it down
I don't see how having LESS driving space can possibly do anything to reduce congestion. This project makes driving on Portola worse and I see no evidence that anyone would walk or ride more with this design.
Seeing it go away
Remove
Get rid of it all together and implement the Save Pleasure Point plan. But keep the 4 way stop sign at 36th. We have wanted that for years.
Put it back the way it was. 4 lanes two in each direction and avoid grid lock. Are you people awake????
Take it all down.
Kill the idea immediately

make it shorter
I would like to have a signal at Portola and 41st and a stop sign at 30th going south and Portola in addition to the one at 30th going north. This is a very dangerous walking and turning intersection.
Not one thing.
Remove it ASAP
Everything. Go back to how it was, there was not problem before
Remove it
N/a
Terminate it
Make it permanent!
Could there be a sign somewhere explaining what was going on, or a URL to direct people to? If there is already one up, I didn't notice it so it should be more visible.
More food and drinks lol
n/a I wasn't at any 'event' but I have used the street in this current state.
Less stuff going on. Parking on outside of bike lane is confusing and feels strange to park in street. I guess it's safer? It seems like the bike lane should be next to street, and cars can park at curb.
Remove the demonstration
Remove it
Keep it 2 lanes! Go back to normal
Prior notice (electronic sign) in both directions of the roadway that traffic would be disrupted during the event dates.
Get rid of it and survey public citizen opinion before doing it again
Remove it and come up with a mew plan
Going to 1 lane makes traffic impossible
More public information. Most people were unaware
Put it back to how it used to be
Change it back to the way it was.
I like the bicycle lane and the additional stop sign. I do not like the four lanes being made into two lanes with the middle turn lane. It's confusing and has never seemed necessary. It's created a funnel in a highly trafficked area that seems to have been working safely and efficiently prior to this event.
Change it back, except 36th Ave. stop sign. Add stoplight at 41st and Portola.
immediate removal
Invest in the rail trail instead and get that completed this year.
Prevent people from damaging it.
I noticed that one of the white car/bicycle barriers had partially come apart after only about a week.
Widen Portola by acquiring some of the property on the north side of the road.
Remove it
End the event now.
return it to 4 lanes and resurface the roadway.
Don't do it again.
I'd like it to end sooner than the posted date
None
I would not have had it. I would have had a number of community meetings to inform the public.
Get rid of pink and purple on the roadway. It is not visible and is not consistent with the green bike lanes across the county and not what people are familiar with and expect. Definitely eliminate the distracting wavy dividers. There should have been more news coverage with a sketch rendition of the proposed changes seeking community comments before spending resources on the project.
Elaborate on the bike lanes already in place. Strengthen them.
Take it out
Remove it all. Bring the 4 lanes back. Mark the bike path better. The flashing crosswalk sign is great. Dutch the added stop sign. Not needed for cars and the flashing crosswalk works great for pedestrians. If you want wider bike lanes: keep two lanes east bound and a single lane westbound from 38th to 30th with no stop sign at 36th.
I know it's temporary, but the bike lane was routed over some pretty large root lifts and bumps in the pavement close to planted trees. With the metal lane separators, you had little choice but get jostled or possibly even a blown out tire.
PUT TH E ROAD BACK TO VEHICLE USE, THIS CREATES MUCH SLOWER TRAVEL TIME AFFECTING MANY, TO BENEFIT A FEW
Leave it the way it was
More landscaping in the plan
Put in back like it was
Move it between 13th Ave and yacht harbor or along Opal cliffs. Opal cliffs drive is painful to walk because of the grading. East cliff around Schwan lake is scary to walk and bicycle. I walk, bicycle, and drive on Portola. When cars move fast, diesel doesn't bother me.
I would make the bike lanes, bollards, and barriers more standard in their appearance.
I would not make it as wide as it is and I would not steal the parking. Start over please. I have lived here 40 years and I never see that much bike traffic on Portola ever!
I would not have accepted such a proposal. It should not have made it to fruition.
the bike barriers . There is no way to pass slower cyclists
Is it really necessary for them on Portola? What about granite or solid planter boxes? Artists could paint them too. Ocean waves on Portola. Bring the style of the area there.

Leave it as it was before
Go back the way it was. It was working fine. Looks like an obstacle course
Sorry I missed it!
I wouldn't have even tried, causes way to much traffic, and theres been a few accidents already.
Everything
Take it away and make portola the way it was. It's creating a tremendous amount of traffic issues
Put back prior treatment. Made more dangerous for me.
Get rid of the whole thing except for the stop sign on 36th
Leave it the way it was
Take it down
Not have it
It really needs to be taken down. Portola needs both lanes, and bikers get by just fine.
enforce speed limits and people who have been parking in the bike lanes.
Works as is ...
More attractive, neighborhood informed ahead of time, that's confusing with those ugly bike line barriers
Since my living room window faces Portola, I've noticed the limitation of lanes has caused the 4-way stop at 38th to be a bit more dangerous. Also, the added car parking decreases the visibility of cyclists for cars turning (esp right turns) into business.
Nothing
I would return that center turning lane no one needed in the first place and move it back to two lanes in both directions.
Return Portola Drive to where it was before the installation.
Don't do it ever again. It brought an onslaught of the homeless population to the area, and there was trash everywhere after.
Everything. The rail trail will be the main thoroughfare, which is 2 blocks from Portola. Your time and efforts are misguided. Portola needs blinker flash signs at 38th, but the bike lane is the widest in town!
Take it down now!
I would leave the stop at 36 th. Remove the lane restriction between 36 and 41st. At 41st i'd put in a traffic signal, to move traffic and pedestrians in a controlled manner. With all the ped traffic at 41 and Portola it is tough to travel through there. I think that would go a long way to safety up the area for all
the portola bike lane demo shows that the fossil fuel freaks will rip up the barriers and drive aggressively when they think their precious autos will have to share the road. drivers all act like trump republican
change it back to how it was and re paint the road back to how it was
The markings on the road were a bit difficult to interpret. Maybe make all of portola 1 lane each way to cut down on confusion.
Get rid of it
if you need to paint a green bike lane that gives bikes priority, I could see that. But what a mess this whole experiment seems to me. so disruptive and confusing.
Please remove is ASAP
Everything. Go back to how it was, if your so concerned with safety for pedestrians and bicyclists then you guys should install a stop light at 41st and Portola!
Leave bicycle shoulders more noticeable but NOT merge both the lanes into one. It bottle necks an already very busy area
see above and add outdoor cafe type lighting.
None
Then big orange barriers are somewhat difficult to get around when turning right.
See above. This project is awful if you are using these roads to actually go to work, commute, run errands, or live in the community. I am glad that its temporary rather than permanent.
N/A
i would put it back the way it was
Not do it again...
Everything. Return it to it's original traffic pattern.
return back to two lanes
Keep the stop sign at 36th, but put the lanes back the way they were.
Put it back the way it was and look into adding a "properly timed" light at the end of 41st. The people crossing the street really muck things up when driving through that intersection. I have riden my bike and walked in this neighborhood for many years and have never had any problems with cars.
Eliminate ir
Don't make it difficult to drive. Just delineated the bike lane better. This doesn't work.
Na
Take it out! Use standard bicycle lane markings.
Remove
Better communication about the changes being made and what the purpose is.
get rid of the whole mess, nobody gained from this mess
Put traffic back to the two lanes. The flow was great even at rush hour and now its a literal bottleneck.
Remove it completely. Simply paint the bike lane for the entirety of Portola. Remove everything else and put flashing lights at every crosswalk. That's it.
I would go back to the regular street format
Turning it back to normal
Nothing

N/A
Take it out
Everything
Make it permanent!
Change back to before
Get rid of it ASAP!!
Take it down. Portola was working just fine before
No comment
Did not attend any special event but a proponent of bike/pedestrian safety. Just wish it would not present traffic delays as road narrows from 2 to 1 lane
Not have it. Portola is already very wide for pedestrians and bikes. Felt this was all unnecessary for the said reasons it was created
Listen to the complaints
I would extend the lane to cover all of portola. Extend it all the way to the harbor! It would be amazing!
Back to normal. It does not make sense to make a busy road into 1 lane. It is clearly two lane each way for a reason. Flow of traffic.
Take it down
I am ok with the extra stop sign. But I would open the second lane back up. Bicycles have more than enough room to ride safely in this area.
Completely remove it. Put back to the normal bike lanes that have been working for years. Drug test the person responsible for the project. Fire he or she or them.
I felt the demonstration was a waste of taxpayers money. There are toads that need to be fixed because of pot holes
Keep it as it was
make the 2 lanes on portola the same as they were before. it has caused a lot of traffic and unnecessary backup.
The road should remain 2 lanes, keep the stop sign.
Everything back to normal
N/a
Removed please
Return everything to previous except (possibly) for stop sign at 36th.
Don't create new standards. Don't reroute traffic, the stop sign at 36th Ave is all that's needed. Case closed.
Return the street back to four lanes.
Nothing
Don't paint the street with abstract lines. It's a distraction and not a conventional way-finding experience (which makes it so confusing for not only locals, but foreign tourists). Our pedestrian crossings have lights and signs already and is a commonly used convention. Don't use orange construction barrels because it makes the installation look unfinished, distracting and unprofessional. Survey the residence living in the area because everyone I've talked to that lives there hates it. I work in a corporation and if this was my work I'd be fired in the spot. As someone who loves to bike around, I would love this to work, but to be honest this was an epic fail.
Get rid of it all together.
Have never seen enough people or bikers to warrant that drastic of a change on portola. The stop sign adds a much needed break to flow of traffic, and allows pedestrians to cross easier (it was a bad space to cross 4 lanes of traffic at). I am undecided about the suicide lane. A bright and thick lane to symbolize the bike lane could be as good as a physical barrier and would not force flow of movement on part of cars, bikes, or people.
Fix the pavement bulge from roots under the bike lane between 35th and 38th ave.
Everything, leave it the way it was before.
Not sure
Not having it
Everything including the people who think they're making it better.
Remove and leave the roads alone...no body asked for this. Spend money on homeless issue or peer repair in Aptos.
Leave the green paint, take down everything else
everything; put it back to the way it was. paint the bike lanes green like the rest of the county and put in decent sidewalks. leave the 2 lanes. This is a major thoroughfare in our community; gating it down like you have is causing horrible traffic issues as well as safety.
It can't be 2 lanes. Too much traffic flow through this area.
Remove it and leave Portola drive alone. We need the traffic to flow. More and more people in this town, we do not need to congest the traffic even more.
Use more traditional means to separate traffic participants
I think more people would be happy with it if it didn't take away a lane, though I know it is impossible to please everyone.
More public noticing.
See answer to 16. Disappointing pilot, agree to a reduced car lane and more bike lane, more thought needed to protect cyclists from right turns into retail driveways that intersect the lane.
We like the two lane roads on each side - a lot of us drive thru there to get to work
A couple of the bulbouts were hard to see - now that I know the bollards were moved it is clear what the traffic movement was supposed to be.
See above. Keep 2 lanes each way
Everything
Take it down
You could use some detail signs to explain what is going on and what you're trying to accomplish and I'm not very sure that I will vote for a Manue for my supervisor next time we vote

Keep the physical barriers and leave 2 lanes for cars.
Visual design of barriers, they are making the street seem visually complicated.
chalk it up as a bad idea
End it
I would remove it in its entirety. I don't think Portola is the right street for such an improvement. If there was an improvement parking should not be a part of it as it negates the positive effect of pedestrian and bicycle way.
The plastic waves and purple street are are unsightly and unnecessary. These were not envisioned by the original Portola group.
REMOVE IT. ALL of it.
Remove it
I would rip it all out from the road
I would remove the whole thing, except maybe the stop sign at 36th, which is hard place for pedestrians to cross.
To remove it in its entirety
Go back to the way it was but use bright paint to delineate bike lane. Sidewalks for walking are great! We use them all the time and are never worried about cars. Reduce the speed limit to 25.
Expand it!
The painted curbs make it hard to turn on to side streets as they are too wide in some places.
change it back to before
Get rid of it earlier than July 21st
Eliminate everything! Leave the stop sign and extra cross walk!
KILL-IT Table it or bury it in a time-capsule
I think this is bad PR for Manu, who I voted for for greenway. The vast majority do not know it's temporary. It only has made locals mad, including me, a bicyclist. Even bicyclists drive cars sometimes and like to not sit in traffic when going to the West Side
Nothing
Get rid of it
Remove it completely except for the stop sign at 36th.
Clearly marked bike lanes. Though frankly the most dangerous parts of that road are in the pleasure point area for bikers - on East Cliff west of pleasure point- it gets quite narrow there.
not have it or the changes
-0-
remove it
First and foremost we have to have two lanes each direction! And eliminate confusing graphics orange canisters and other signs that are not seen on any other roads in our town.
Maybe some flowers or trees? It's pretty cool the way it is.
Put in the rail trail to reduce some bike traffic. I know the road diets are all the rage but the surf is the draw, non locals drive to the surf and always will. Keep traffic flowing and take out stop sign on 36th, or enforce the stop since many aren't turning left or stopping. Makes it too congested with both 36 and 38th stops.
Take it away
The added stop sign at 36th in unnecessary, and it makes it difficult to exit the parking lot in front of Dynasty. There are often cars stopped at the sign that make it difficult to exit. I would go back to as-was ASAP.
Did not attend demonstration.
Make it permanent
Make it the entire corridor from 26th to 41st.
Cancel it
Remove it all and do not try this again
Just move the dividers over so they run where the bike lane should be, pedestrians can still use the sidewalks.
Supes
Not do it at all
Please return Portola Dr. to two lanes each direction. This is the most direct route to our home and adds to the stress of driving in our ever increasing traffic.
I would end it immediately and fire the person who conceived this lunacy.
Remove it. If you want to add extra crosswalks with flashing lights and more delineated bike lanes, that's fine, but leave the two lanes of vehicular traffic going both ways.
Nothing.
leave bike/pedestrian changes (except for sudden stop sign at cat cloud) . remove all lanes modifications immediately.
The lane to change back to normal
Return back to normal
Remove the stop sign at 36th Ave
Remove it all. It creates more traffic, people are all frustrated (pedestrians and bicyclists as well). Very hard to navigate.
Communicate more completely using different channels -- did not hear about this event except through friends. We are not on Next Door, Instagram, etc. so would not have been aware of it. Local supervisor did poor job of communicating to constituents.
That section of Portola does not have a problem with bikes and pedestrians as there are existing sidewalks and bike lanes, and other than jaywalkers and bikers not following the rules of the road, it is not a problem. There are areas adjacent to that section that are really dangerous for bikes and pedestrians such as the hill from Twin Lakes and the intersection at 41st and Portola.
Remove it!
Take it all down and remove the confusing stuff. Pretty much take it all down except the stop sign at 36th ave

be inclusive of many diverse groups; allow dissenters to speak rather than cutting them off (refusing to share the mic). this was not a democratic event
The single lane traffic each way is terrible. The net effect is increased traffic on Portola and side streets to avoid Portola traffic. Return to two lane traffic, remove the new stop sign at Cat and Cloud Coffee, keep the bike lane barriers (and run them to 30th and Portola). Add those obnoxious, but highly effective, bright flashing lights at crosswalks when pedestrians are present. The single traffic lanes do not make things safer and increases congestion. The negatives greatly outweigh the positives with regard to the single lane traffic flow.
That it not be implemented.
I would make the street two lanes in each direction again. The barriers between traffic and Bikes are fine, but don't remove traversable lanes. Add more flashing lights for pedestrians crossing the roadway. This does nothing for people wanting to cross the street. There is one by cat and cloud and by 7/11. There needs to be one on 41st and by Dunlops donuts.
The most unsafe part of the projuect is not part of the project. The most pedestrian and bike traffic in on 36th down to the beach!! That is where we live and every few minutes a car speeds down 36th to the beach where families/surfers/bikes/dogs/coffee drinkers/ kids all try to walk where there are no sidewalks and choked parking. Now with free parking during summer, it has gotten even more congested on 36th, narrowing it. Fix 36th if you really want to make it bike and pedestrian safe.
Take it away
Get rid of the stop signs at 36th, leave pedestrian crosswalk with flashing lights, not enough pedestrian traffic to warrant it and stop sign too close to 38th riding on Portola is only part of the ride, and the demonstration makes it difficult to make left turns (when you have to look over your shoulder and cross car lanes with aggressive cars)
Go back to two lanes each way
Ask the people if they want this kind of garbage forced on them without their consent and vote.
nada
Remove them completely
I would change it back. The problem is that everyone, in cars, on bikes, on skateboards etc., and pedestrians, are distracted. We all need to pay attention to what we're doing.
Make it permanent
A lot of drivers dislike these improvements. While that's not surprising, because everyone hates change, I fear that the pushback could kill the project. If a compromise is needed, I think you could make everyone happy by eliminating the on-street parking that was shifted out into one of the travel lanes. Most of the businesses in this area have off-street parking, and a lot of the curbs are already painted red, so you wouldn't lose many parking spaces. This would allow you to keep the wide, buffered bike lane along the curb, and still have 2 lanes of traffic in each direction. This obviously won't slow traffic like a single lane in each direction would, but it might make the changes more palatable to drivers. This would make the bulb-outs across Portola a little harder to implement, but you could possibly fit in a thin corner curb to make a protected intersection for cyclists and peds.
End it--it causes more problems than it conceivably helps
Everything. A big waste of resources
I think the wave separations are a good idea so that bikers and pedestrians stay on the bike lane and side walk. I've walked, biked and driven here and would appreciate more light at night for walking/biking to be seen by drivers.
awful. It all out and put back to normal
Extending the area for safer bike transportation. The sketchiest zone is when Portola Drive becomes E Cliff Drive by Schwan Lagoon and there is a really narrow bike lane and blind corner.
lanes to go back to normal with 2 car lane flow
Keep all the lanes two way at the stop signs.
Not ever do it at all.
Remove it completely
The bike lane structures are too restrictive for riders that won't have options to avoid cars entering Portola, so I would remove those. The reduction in traffic lanes from two to one makes turning left onto Portola even more difficult than before, so I would not make it one lane each way in any part. The stop sign at 36th Ave is a very positive addition.
We need safer bicycling lanes, we need the stop sign at cat and cloud, We don't need the rest
reduce the colors abs just use green for the cycle lanes. get rid of the white dividers that se to be falllong apart already
This needs to be redesigned.
I would not even consider it in this location.
get rid of it and don't try something so stupid again
I would NOT remove 2 lanes of traffic from a busy street, causing horrendous traffic jams every day for the people who live in this neighborhood. The physical barriers between bike lane and street are unnecessary, maybe just paint bike lanes green like I've seen elsewhere. I have a young son and we bike together on Portola occasionally. Our family bicycles together a lot. The current Portola situation is WAY overkill! Removal of 2 lanes of traffic for bicycles is not necessary on an already wide street.
Remove it completely! The traffic is so much worse!!!
OMG traffic nightmare! Backed up down portola
everything. don't do it. revert it to how it was before
Take it down
I'd completely do away with it
Keep it the way it was. There was nothing wrong with it to begin with
Remove, causes traffic, there already is tons of parking and walking / bicycling areas on road as is
less chaos in color choses
Everything just cancel it stop wasting our tax money on crap bet u didn't even grow up here stop trying to change OUR city

Stop all so called improvements and start talking to residents and especially to commercial business like the Pleasure Point Liquor store. They are losing business since this change, no one will acknowledge his concerns. No one...!!! This is forcing the wrong kinds of improvements on our community that have not been approved. Stop it all.
N/a
I would like to see knowledgeable bicycle safety advocates disassociate themselves from it.
n/a
make a bike lane that doesn't reduce road lanes for traffic. its creating horrible traffic
See above. Keep the lanes open (R, L, straight)
Demo event was not really conducive to helping understand the real implications because it was too unexpected and disorienting without background info. Eventually, I spotted enough signage that attempted to explain "on-the-fly" what was going on, but by then I was just happy to be out of the bottleneck.
I just wouldn't do it, it's fucking stupid
I would remove it all together and put things back the way they were - no locals, that I know of, ever noticed any problems with it prior to this change.
Remove the dedicated turn lane.
Please see above. Please do not make this permanent. You are causing traffic and setting up the potential for accidents. I love Pleasure Point and have lived nearby for 17 years. Please don't make this neighborhood ugly. When speeding cars are a problem, the police should station themselves and issue tickets to the offenders.
Pave the rail tracks not take more road away from drivers. Traffic is already bad. Trying to force people on bikes is not the answer.
Everything
I would cancel the program and fire the consultants. I would reduce the budget for the agency!
Install more in areas with higher bike traffic, and a way to force bicyclist to obey traffic lights. Intersections should have a narrower bike lane section so drivers can better see bicyclists when making right turns.
go back to the original
Eliminate unnecessary 4 way stops and wave form installments while maintaining intent to improve pedestrian and bike visibility/accessibility
back to normal
Put it back the way it was..why mess with a good thing
Have it be gone
This section needs to be two lanes. The purple bump-outs make turning more difficult and leave no room for both cars and bikes at the corners.
I would just take it down so that the local business aren't effected by the traffic build up. The street was fine before. If it ain't broke, don't fix it.
Remove everything but figure out a low maintenance separator/barrier between vehicles and bicycles. The intersection of 41st and Portola could use some improvement - perhaps a roundabout - the trick it seems would designing safe pedestrian transit through that intersection.
I would limit/reduce parking along Portola Dr to certain hours and remove the restrictions for parking at the Portola and 38th commercial space(parking area by Mountain Mike's business area.
It is not needed
Removal all, make Portola street no parking and return to two lanes. The traffics you have created for this project is unreal. Prior to doing the installation you should of used cones to block the roads and take the survey
Take it down and have normal bike lanes.
The bike lane separators and turn lanes look more likely to cause accidents.
Only green bike paint n take away that crappy purple
Too confusing
Time machine so we never wasted money on this ridiculous bs. As that's not possible, removal and looking into how this happened to begin with, and why
Everything, kill it!
This was poorly planned and little to no regard was given to the environmental impacts of the traffic this created. Also, this weekend is a holiday weekend and people are going to be stuck in the congestion created by this project.
-I would not do this thing. This is a high traffic area. -I would hire someone who is good at this. Clearly you did not. -Add traffic signs for cars, cycles, and pedestrians. -The parking spots sticking out into the road just made things worse. -Make it one lane the whole way down. No turn only lanes. There is not enough room for the bike/pedestrian lanes, parking, and turn lanes. If your going to make car traffic worse, don't half ass it.
It's great for the neighbors but horrible for those going to beach from elsewhere...which is a significant number of people.
Make the installation feel more professional. It looked and felt quite flimsy, like a community group randomly installed stuff at night.
Get rid of it. Maybe just pain bike lanes green and better flashing lights. But we need both lanes to cut down on traffic.
Nothing. Love it!
I think right turns of vehicles across the bike area may be problematic; and am concerned about the safety of a 'shared' Left turn center lane. Other places I've lived have seen problems with this especially when traffic exceeds speed, or gets backed up.
To let the neighbor hood have a say against be able to speak
Take it out
Tear down
No barriers. Move bike lanes to the outside. Go back to 4 traffic lanes. Too busy for 2 lanes. Makes it impossible to turn left if there is no stop sign. Very hard to get in and out of businesses. Do not implement this!

EVERYTHING
To have it at a park, so that people trying to return to work are not so heavily impacted.
Disassemble
I would not change Portola. I think that the four lanes is the best way for Portola to continue to be.
I would have the people responsible fired for not listening to the public's wishes
Not doing it in summer
Back to 4 lanes!!!
I would remove it.
Eliminate it. There are already very wide sidewalks and bike lanes that meet current and future foot and bike traffic requirements. If improvements are needed it would be to add landscaping features, trees and flowers, as an integrated feature of the sidewalks.
Extend down to capitola beach!
Take it out until you do a traffic survey, public input! Neighborhood input! We deal with the traffic cutting through our neighborhood, 100% change it back to original street.
Leave the barriers that mark the bike lanes, but remove all the restrictions on turning lanes that make the two lanes virtually one. Traffic is completely backed up now.
the temporary stop sign and the white guards
Give up the idea. There are adequate bike lanes already
Return to normal two lane traffic on Portola and remind bicyclists they also need to obey traffic rules & stop at stop signs.
Design features shouldnt be so tall.
Do NOT make these changes permanent! It is too dangerous for bicyclists!
Trim back or encourage property owners to trim their landscaping (protruding onto sidewalks. Frequent CHP or Sheriff patrols or presence.
Remove it. Paint the bike lanes green. With proper stencils.
Nothing
Eliminate it completely
Everything
Honestly the biggest factor is that it takes 2 lanes of a already congested road down to one. This is a nightmare to deal with now. Also, the white barriers are ugly along with the paint all over the ground, which makes the whole area even further complicated. It just is really obtrusive to the area and does not feel appropriate compared to the surroundings.
A resurfaced road and removal of the concrete tree planters would be much safer. I have seen and personally experienced a number of commuters almost crash into them, especially when cars get too close.
Put it back the way it was
Regular bike lanes that are clearly defined with paint. And back to two lanes on both side of the road for traffic that is now completely clogged up
Remove it
Not sure.
remove it
Physical barrier/ protection for pedestrians
Give adequate heads up to the neighbors
1) Do not hide the bike lane behind the parked cars. 2) Southbound approaching 41st needs two lanes to allow for the left turn lane onto 41st!! IT BACKS UP
Wouldn't have done it!!!
Bring the roadway inline with other roads, paint the bike lanes green, leave the lanes and striped crosswalks
Get rid of the single lanes and the turn lanes and the stop sign and all the purple paint.
remove it
Put back to original
Tear it out completely.
Limit the event to July 5th.
take it down install stop signs or speed bumps like on 30th Ave
Restore Portola back.
Everything. Remove it! What a waste of money.
Find somewhere else to put it
Take out the white loopy things and weird purple striping. Idk how I feel about the new stop sign. I am not sure its totally necessary. Also I hate the suicide lane. People straight up don't know how to use them and losing the lanes there makes it more congested and harder to navigate and makes it more dangerous for pedestrians becaisedrivers now have to pay attention to more areas and creates more distractions.
Purple things are distracting and no need to change the driving lanes set up
Repave street, lane adjustments. Bigger sidewalks and bike lanes...Camouflage the areas where poles or barricades are thought to be needed (use artificial shrubs or bushes)
All of it, except maybe just keep green paint for blue lane like other cities.
Everything other than the stop sign at 36th Ave. was ridiculous
everything - cancel
nothing
I wouldn't do it
Get rid of it.

I don't feel the changes are warranted. You will be creating a huge traffic mess with this configuration.
We need 2 lanes in each direction
See above!
No turn only lanes
I'd remove it ASAP you never take four lanes of traffic in pho went down to get more people in this town we've ever had
Feels forced on me
Clear the line of vision.
smaller barriers between cars and bike lanes
Remove it. People ride their bikes and walk on East Cliff and Opal Cliffs Dr. Not on Portola. What you have done is create confusion and traffic jams.
take it down
No turn only lanes
Better signage, removal of fixed barriers obstructing the bike lane.
Go back to how it was, there was NOTHING wrong with it!
Change everything back to how it was before.
Everything, keep it how it was
Eliminate all the lane changes, just leave the stop sign.
It should not be there as it's not improving anything!
Remove it before the demo period, admit that the temporary trial is bad for drivers, cyclists, pedestrians, and local businesses
Take it down
Doesn't work with stop signs. Too much traffic backup. Portola is a major thoroughfare. With lights or preferably roundabouts at 38th and 41st I would love it.
I wouldn't reduce Portola to one lane
Remove it
Keep the stop sign. Keep access to the pedestrian lights. Get rid of everything else
remove it!!
The pink and purple paint is absolutely crazy. Never do that again. It is NOT safe having purple, pink, green, white colors and signs all over the place! It looks horrible too! Our street looks like a freaking circus. If those things stay I will not be happy and this will have a horrible impact on the community that actually lives in pleasure point.
I would take it down permanently as it is negatively impacting local businesses.
Everything. The traffic is backed up now. I try to turn left onto 32nd on my bike and the cross traffic is backed up to 41st
Everything!
Remove it.
Remove it
Everything but the stop sign
Just remove it.
Nothing, the addition to traffic has made it more difficult to drive on it.
new alternatives. new idea please.
Use standard symbols and images for bike lane turn lane etc
You need to build relationships through advocacy. Disrupting peoples flow of traffic as a way to bring disability to some thing it's not gonna work in this scenario because we already have frustrated drivers that don't live here they get aggravated and then take it out on the bikers pedestrians and runners. You're becoming known as an activist organization rather than an advocacy organization
Eliminate change
?
Remove it and keep the two lanes for vehicles
2 months prior to the installation, a sign should have been posted describing the PROPOSED change and requesting input on the proposal. Maybe then you would have seen how negatively this would have been received, and save the money spent to install it.
eliminate the orange bollards in particular. Not a real fan of the rest of it either, but especially the orange bollards cutting down the right turns off of Portola
Eliminate it entirely
revert to previous setup completely
Put it back the way it was
The length of the demonstration to much shorter.
Have it go away
get rid of it and return portola to how it used to be.
Not have it.
I would REMOVE it and put the roadway back they way it was. It is ridiculous waste of money and I now have to avoid the area due to heavy traffic and fear of being hit by confused drivers! I do not agree with the damage that has been done to this "demonstration event" but I fully understand who people are doing it.
Not have it
Dismantle and abandon the experiment.
Maintain 4-lane road.
Again, very distracting and not at all organic in any way.
Get ride of dividers

A total waste of money. Vehicle traffic is already bad now this project worsens the problem. Use the money for traffic circles which are very efficient.
Get rid of it!
Take it all down, immediately, because it is causing confusion and is dangerous for automobile drivers and bicyclists at the same time. This would cause more crashes and injuries.
Get rid of it
Remove the distracting metal pieces.
More community involvement and traffic engineering. The abrupt change from 2-lanes to 1-lane at 41st was very ill-thought out. And why on earth are you trying to improve bike/foot traffic on a busy street well known for its reckless and fast vehicles? It seems like a liability concern for pedestrians and the county!
undo
All of it turn back to 4 lanes. This is a major artery stop flicking up the traffic by creating more. The only positive thing is the new Stop sign at 36th
Keep it the way it was before.
A
Abandon the idea completely.
Cancel
Remove it
Take it down The retro fit is not workable for the road conditions
Make cars merge into cycling Lanes before right turns
Keep new stop sign (@36th). Remove silly plastic hoops.
Shorten the turn lanes!!!
Make a small bike/pedestrian lane on either side of the road and retain the two lanes for cars going either direction.
Back to two lanes on both sides. It's a very wide road this was so unnecessary
REMOVAL
Get rid of it tourist use that road we know about it they don't I think bike lane more Brite green paint for bike lane
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1. Use standard signage, paint color and lane barriers. Consider traffic congestion effects when selecting future potential 'experiments'. The selected location is a very busy and congested area that requires better traffic control (signal light?) rather than adding constrictions.
Reverse it.
Keeping two lanes, no turning lanes at stop signs.
Don't do it! Plain and simple. You've made a lot of people very angry, and things are even more unsafe. Thanks a lot.
I'm sure someone put some time in to the design, but it is more distracting than the current situation. The only good change was the stop sign at 36th Ave as improved the safety.
Make it less cluttered and cramped feeling
Remove it.
I don't like the pink art that was included. It makes it look messy and confusing. Keep it clean/clear. I like the green paint delineating the bike path and including more of that in the community would be helpful.
Remove it all and go back to the way it was. The street was fine, there's already a bike lane.
It was in 2018 when they came up with this design. Should have revised it for today's traffic. It's much busier today.
Put it on east cliff
The turn lane, Portola is a heavy used street especially in the summer and I think we need to keep the 2 driving lanes. We do not need a designated turn lane in the middle that is hardly used! I sat on the patio of Suda and it was more distracting because of the added traffic and cars backed up.
I would take it down
Throw it away and allow cars to drive on the road designed for cars
Notify the public that it was actually happening. Whatever was done was not effective at all
ensure that pedestrians x walks allow pedestrians to enter walkway slightly before cars at signals
Everything. Why does it have to be so wide? You are contributing to the traffic hindrance program!
Don't make it permanent. It sucks. Return to the lanes as before.
more notice with more public info > who, what and why it is being put into place > did bike accidents on Portola "drive" this action - if so how many? how are barricades better compared to buffered bike lanes as in 2018 street concept design? designers: what is their level of bike "lane" expertise - where else have they installed such so people can "look at" & read feedback
Strongly Disliked the one lane road on portola btwn 41st and 36th. Cause excessive traffic and backed up 41st Ave. Don't understand why we are spending time making portola bike and walk friendly, when everyone goes on east cliff.
Leave the traffic pattern the way it was . I live in the immediate area off 26th ave. and have never been part of , nor have I witnessed an incident or accident between bikes, cars, or people on that stretch .
The bike barriers actually make riding more dangerous since the narrow space makes it hard to avoid obstacles (trash) in your path. Also, the lane reconfiguration has brought traffic to a standstill with dozens of cars lined up at each stop sign.
Remove it entirely
Take it all down
no barriers or sculpture. just use paint. reduce the sidewalk and move parking spots over, or have a shared bike & pedestrian lane, then parking, then 2 lanes on each side.
It needs to go all the way to 17th. I ride in portala and the part where I feel I safe is near the library

Make it permanent! It's great
Just leave it the way it was!
Remove it all. Sorry.
Keep 2 lanes of traffic for each direction, put in flashing cross walk at 38th and remove stop sign for Portola traffic at 38th and keep the white wave bike lane dividers
I'd remove the wasteful lane barriers and get something that isn't plastic and isn't going to end up in the ocean in the long run. Also maybe some signs so that people know what's going on.
Take it down asap
Go back to 2 lanes. Only put up barriers where there is no parking. Go all the way to the harbor
No street parking. Traditional Bicycle lanes. Enforce rules of the road.
Remove
Make it longer and permanent
Not sure
Everything.
I would return the area to the original layout, including lanes and parking. The flashing lights are a good safety feature at the crosswalk areas.
Get rid of it as soon as possible
Remove it
Return this section of Portola Dr to its existing configuration. The permanent left lane is unnecessary to allow the current flow of cars wanting to complete left turns onto 38th Ave, 41st, or into business parking lots along Portola Dr.
See above
Marked turn lanes, especially right hand turn lanes are not necessary. And just add to confusing decisions needed at each stop sign. Im assuming they wouldn't be permanent but the large orange markers felt like obstacles and and the line of driving was not fluid. Lanes merging suddenly are not a good idea turning of 41st and the flimsy white bike lane markers give a false sense of security
Signs to indicate narrow merge and turns for cars and bikes on and off portolla
For it to never have happened. It seems there was no forethought before the implementation.
This is "fixing" a problem that did not exist. There are already sidewalks and bike lanes along this street as well as clear, well identified crosswalks. I agree in principle with providing more walking and biking opportunities in the neighborhood. My suggestion would be to close nearby East Cliff to motor vehicles and leave Portola to serve as the important vehicular artery that it is. East Cliff is more scenic, and more fragile, and makes more sense as a community bike path in many ways.
Get rid of it.
Removing it entirely. Two car lanes reduces congestion. There is already a dedicated bike line and sidewalk for pedestrians.
Return both lanes to through traffic- having multiple 'right turn only' lanes is significantly worsening traffic on Portola and creating unnecessary driving hazards. The multi-colored purple crosswalk enhancements are poorly executed and I found them to be distracting in addition to all the unexpected changes to the route. I am all for bike safety- the white bike lane dividers do not provide any real protection as we can see by the fact that they've already been run over in several places. I see the dividers as yet another obstacle in an overly complicated motif- as well as eye pollution. Why not stick with the bright green bike lane model that's already been established throughout the county and elsewhere- it's uniform and people know what it is.
The whole set-up wasn't properly planned and was very poorly done. Please restore and keep 2 lanes for the traffic. The bike lanes are way too large. Bikers don't need that much space (and I'm a biker)
Get rid of it!
Take the lane funneling away. The congestion is increased with the lane reductions in place. The left turn onto 38th from Portola is underutilized also. There's so many things happening all at once it's difficult to negotiate the event.
Regular bike lane works just fine
I would prefer a buffered bicycle lane rather than the 'hard' separated bicycle lane, similar to the original streetscape planning for Portola that I have seen in the past.
Remove it permanently. We need a roundabout at the end of 41st and Portola. The stop sign would be put to far greater use if it was at the 7-Eleven, not cat and cloud. Believe me I try and cross the road all the time from these two locations and 7-Eleven is where it's needed.
Keep the bike lanes visible with paint, but go back to 2 lanes of traffic in each direction (no enter turn lane or parking lane on the southbound side).
Bring back the two lanes in each direction and leave the 4 way stop signs at critical intersections.
The bike lane was safer before. Cars making right turns into businesses won't see bikes with the new street parking spots. Paint the bike lanes green for better visibility.
Remove it
Omit it!
I am embarrassed that so many locals are against change. I bike and walk and drive this neighborhood so I see the benefits to the most vulnerable.
Everything except the new stop sign on 35th by cat and cloud. Going down to one lane is really problematic, for traffic in 41st approaching Portola and on Portola approaching 41st headed west. There is no reason to take our two lane road down to one. As a regular biker, walker and neighborhood driver I have not had negative biking or walking experiences on Portola drive. This seems unnecessary. The newly installed blinking pedestrian crosswalk lights have made it easy and safe to cross Portola at many intersections.
Everything except the stop sign and painted additions

Keep the 4 way stop at 36th. Maintain 2 car lanes in both directions. Remove plastic wave barriers (they are a danger to cyclist) Limit on street parking and keep any car parking at the curb. Making a bike lane hidden by parked cars makes cyclist less visible to drivers. Don't isolate cyclist. Make the cycling lanes more visible by painting them green. Do not put up barriers that inhibit cyclist mobility but does nothing to stop cars.
Everything
Make it go away. Takes up more parking that we as business owners in the area need desperately
Find another method of making it safer to pedestrians or cyclists that is lower in height. Make it easier to see how one turns into businesses.
I would put it back the way it was!
Return the vehicle lanes
make it permanent
Never hold it again
Don't screw up traffic!
Make the road clear and free from distractions for the safety of everyone. Repaint the road. Maintain the two lanes. No additional road park that will reduce the visibility of bikers and cars. Install Traffic Lights and Pedestrian Flashers.
DO NOT MAKE THIS A SINGLE LANE
Take it down.
Wasn't at an event
Get rid of it
Remove it!!!
Get rid of it forever
Leave the street as it is.
Return everything to how it was.
Change it back to the originally
Just create a more prominent strip for the bike lane. Like the big green stripes downtown.
Go back to the way portals was before but make bike lane more prominent with painted lines
Remove it! Just use green color blocking so people are more aware of cyclists. We don't need lane merges or all these ugly borders.
Removed it all. Not useful or safe for no one. We already have sidewalk and bike lane. I don't know why we need additional space
Get rid of the psychedelic purple on the street. get rid of the orange barrels. Get rid of the terrible silver hoop things. Get rid of the bottle necking of cars which means don't remove any lanes for car traffic.
The temporary markings were too confusing, detracting from the beneficial impacts of the project
One lane of car traffic in each direction and a continuous center "left turn lane" from 30th to 41st.
Everything. Portola was perfectly fine how it was originally. Nothing needed to be changed
Go back. Make more flashing signs
I would cancel it
Give Lane back to cars instead of bikes. Add a stop sign on 35th as well. Put somebody there to give tickets to cars that blow past the stop signs!
Remove it.
Flashing lights on stop sign. Keep two lanes of traffic rather than turn only lanes. Or don't allow turn lanes on some streets
Make sure people other than bike enthusiasts know about it too.
remove it
Probably the extra parking. I think we needed that when the lumber yard was going to have restaurants and bars but if that's not happening, the extra parking may not be needed.
Put Portola Dr. back to how it was. It was perfect and traffic was flowing nicely
All of it. At least go back to 4 lanes.
I would leave the portola lanes the way they have been
Take it down
I would return the street to the way it was. There was already a solid bike lane I felt comfortable using with my two dogs on my right. This is unnecessary and such a waste of money. Oh and my girls friend bikes to work everyday and she hates it.
Everything. Please put it back how it was. I don't want to pay for this lawsuit lying in wait.
A lot more public input before doing it, and getting input from professional transportation planners. If you had that input, it's hard to believe they would think this is helpful for bicyclists.
remove it. consult residents and businesses about plans. recall manu
Remove it
I would change it back to the way it was, and ask that the bike lanes be maintained properly by the city. I.E. Clean the debris out of the bike paths daily, fix cracks or pavement issues. There was never anything wrong with the sidewalks for walking, I do not see why someone would think that this would encourage more foot traffic. It's not even on the same side of most businesses that are frequented on Portola !
Remove left turn lanes at 38th. Traffic light at 41st
It looks terrible. I would remove them. The barriers are distracting to drivers.
get rid of everything you have done. it sucks! it is destructive! It is retarded.
Remove it
N/A
Make Portola two lanes again, maybe keep the bike lane paint and guards
maybe try these "events" on lower car traffic periods - not around 4 th of July .

I love protected lanes for cyclists, however this doesn't seem like the right place for this. I ride north on Portola, but south on East Cliff. Maybe make improvements to the northbound side only and retain the lanes for cars.
Perhaps change it to incorporate suggestions. Important- have a review process every 12 months to determine if it should be modified or removed.
Everything besides the green lane stripes
Make it permanent and longer
Take it all out but the stop signs maybe just color the bike area green not purple and get rid of the gate thing for the bike lane it's dangerous
Remove the barriers and open up the lanes.
Never put traffic at risk again. Do events in PARKS - like San Lorenzo or Henry Cowell. You do not need to disturb difficult traffic situations to make them miserable!
Put everthing back the way it was before.
Increase awareness of the event beforehand so that people that resist any form of change in the neighborhood are not as alarmed by the demonstration.
Remove them.
I like the new stop sign and the art on the corners. That is it.
Change back to original design
Extend to start before 30th Ave
Complete removal and return to previous design which was working fine.
Scrap it.
Smooth out the uneven pavement surfaces.
Flow signs for traffic
Get rid of the barriers and restore the 4 car lanes. Thanks.
It was a messy unkempt unpaved event space. I suppose because of the Pandemic it had to be outdoors for safety reasons. But preferably my opinion is indoors with seating no food or no drink. Perhaps a Conference Room, or Hall locally would suffice.
It should be in areas where there is data on incidents with bicyclists or pedestrians potentially.
never install it
Press delete
Remove it from service it's more of a hazard than anything. Drivers, bicyclists, and pedestrians create hazards bc they don't know how to navigate through the event
I think that bicycles should have separate pathways, avoiding automobile streets as much as possible. Bicyclists and automobiles just do not mix well.
Open the 2 lanes back up, the traffic is horrible and I won't stop at the local businesses because of traffic
Lose it
The new stop sign is great. The one way street is unnecessary.
Nothing
I would like to see the white barriers removed and the turning lanes taken away. Also would appreciate the purple paint removed
Remove them permanently. They are foolish looking and a waste of money.
do not make it permanant
The car lanes should not be changed because it seems unnecessary and makes traffic worse. The bike lanes could just be widened to make it safer for bikers. Also, the barriers block parking spaces.
Throw it in the trash
Remove it ASAP!!!
Everything I said previously
Put it back...! Everyone I talked to says that they hate it around my home.
Put everything back the way it was, and educate bike riders that are local streets are not the Tour de France ... they have to follow the rules like everyone.
remove the temporary barriers
I would extend it to 26th. It would even be great to take it all the way to Capitola. I would also like to see the side walks extended into the street.
Why did you serve tacos in Watsonville but pizza in Santa Cruz?
The purple curbs.
I want it the way that it was, I do not want to change any thing . We need two lane for the traffic to flew easily. The big orange cones are most of the time falling on their side, and I think they are extra obstacles in these small street . The white dividers have been smash to the ground. Traffic has been very heavy between 41st and 36, and that makes the drivers impatiant. I think that can affect the amount of truism on that area, after all who wants to drive in such a busy area.
Worked for me.
To give information to neighbors ahead of time by posting clear signs or mailing info
I'd simplify the bike infrastructure by using green-lane design (with solid vs "dashed" sections) because that is so much more common and understandable to motorists. The wavy bike lane protectors are OK, but there needs to be much more consistency as to when they are present vs absent, so that motorists understand what's going on. I'd recommend either committing to 4 lanes of traffic for the whole stretch, or commit to 2 lanes + parking for the whole stretch, rather than having the forced R turns.
The white bike rails are cheap and provide little protection from cars.
Take it down sooner
Remove it

Leave it as it, but delineate the bike paths. One lane for this area is NOT efficient for traffic.
N/A
I would return it to what it previously looked like, and highlight 5he bike lanes in green as they are on water st, etc.
More paint on road and signage clearly marking the moving car lane vs parking lane
I would reduce the distance
Make driving lanes for through traffic, to dedicate a whole lane for left turns
Ask people about what they think BEFORE it's installed, not after.
Curves aren't great. People are cutting corners and driving over existing installation. It should be changed. Cars need to get on another line to pass curves. Stop signs with "turn only" are great idea, but people aren't following new rules. Instead of going left, they just go straight, without paying attention. Probably additional signs/roadblocks should be added, to ensure that people are restricting it. This installation should be applied on a whole Portola Drive. Access to postbox is limited. In the past, you could drive to it, toss a mail. Now, with new infrastructure in place, it is impossible.
Get rid of the turning lanes and the parking spaces that took away a thru traffic lane.
Extend the traffic calming to 30th Avenue and make it permanent.
The barriers
Open up both lanes and take away the bike bars
Everything, go back to normal and find a better use of our tax dollars
Back to 4 lanes, bike lanes painted green for visibility, but leave stop sign at 36th
Driving east on portola coming up to 36th the narrowing to one lane is very confusing.
Don't take away the second lane
Remove it
Clearer markings and barriers. Brighter lines and parking spaces that actually look like parking spaces
I think in this area all you need to do is make the bike lane more visible. You don't need to make it harder for cars. The merging Lanes create confusion and make it more dangerous for cyclists
Erased!
Continue changes down through 26th street
Nothing
Arrange for more of them around Santa Cruz.
How about trying out bicycle lanes in the middle of the road? Two-way, divided, with barriers to protect cars and bicyclists.
Everything. It is a waste of taxpayer dollars. A disgrace to Santa Cruz.
I would love to see this type of thing on a different street. Or better yet, it would be great to put this type of energy and outreach into building the rail/trail that would be epic.
Take it down immediately.
NA
Make the lanes super clear to cars and bikers
N/A
Constant width bike lanes, no separation barriers, utilize green pavement to facilitate left turn pockets at 4 way stops
Nothing
Make the transitions easier for car drivers.
The car lanes need to be more clearly marked and the functions of each space need to be more intuitive. (I couldn't understand the setup and had to switch lanes a few times because I accidentally ended up in a turning lane without realizing it)
REMOVE IMMEDIATELY
Take it down and leave the stop sign.
If you want to create a bike lane, make the road wider by cutting off part of the mostly unused parking lot in the old shopping center that is taking up most of the road. Keep the two lanes so traffic doesn't mount up.
Too confusing
everything. waste of taxes
Again not having a 2 line turn into a 1 way and then back into a 2 line. That area gets very congested and people use it for commuting. More people will chose to bike if they are protected from car traffic. The trail over the train tracks I think is the best investment that Santa Cruz could do! Public art can be installed along that way.
More permanent, maybe tall orange plastic posts. Arrogant drivers have already damaged much of the demo in just a few weeks.
Everything. By destroying it. Keep portola how's its always been!
Please remove all the obstacles and restore the flow and safety to the community
Traffic needs to flow. Tourist and local traffic getting confused.
It needs to be a little more consistent. Rather than have the right lanes have to turn right the street should be consistent for the greatest length possible with two protected bike lanes, two traffic lanes and a center turn lane for cars. Then where there is extra ROW after these add parking or plant trees.
Traffic flow hinderances and turn lane creations.
Take it away
I ride a tricycle. I have to be careful of tree roots raising pavement causing me to lose control of the trike. I take personal responsibility, using mirrors,looking over my shoulder, vivia device, etc I think you're trying to make the bike lanes "idiot proof" and it doesn't work.
Remove it and maybe put in a traffic light at 41st.
All the lane changes are awful, it was too difficult to determine what lane to be in, a permanent change would send me to the side streets.
Back to the way it was

Maybe more/bigger signs saying 'temporary street changes ahead' would be helpful for drivers.
The purple stripes as you turn from 41st to Portola are a bit confusing so it is critical to communicate the purpose of the purple stripes,
Go back to the way it was. Parallel parking with bicycle traffic or diagonal parking does not make sense. It's very dangerous to navigate those areas being on a bike. Cars just pull out without looking. I used the sidewalks for walking to dinner prior to installation and felt safe.
Revert to original
Bring back the original street
Put it back to the way it was
Not quite sure
?
Put a light instead
Remove it.
Take it out and go back to what was discussed at meetings before the pandemic.
There is really no need to go from four lanes down to three lanes. If the purpose is to slow down the traffic then more stop signs and more cross walks with flashing lights can be put in to slow down the traffic. If the purpose is for more parking, it would be better for the county to purchase one or more of the non-used lots and put in parking lots like Capitola did or to take away the red curbs so that more cars can park. If the purpose is to make it safer for bicyclists and some sort of permanent barrier is going to be put in to separate the bicycle lane from cars then that bicycle lane is going to eventually have broken glass, tree branches and general litter clogging the lane with no means of cleaning the lane. We do not have the bicycle accidents on Portola like there is on Mission Street. We do not need to reduce the lanes of traffic for the safety of the bicyclist. We do not need to put the bicycle lane next to the curb and parked cars between the bicycle lane and the lane of traffic.
First, I think it would have been a better demonstration if the entire two-lane stretch (26th Ave to 41st Ave) was reduced to one-lane, not just a two block portion, though I guess funding and time constraints may have made that infeasible. Second, the extended curbcuts painted on the corners are not something that is commonly seen (certainly not something I've seen), so I am not sure that cars (or bikes) treated them as sidewalk. Some type of physically raised element would have been more clear.
Change it back it was so much better before
Put it back the way it was
The ending of lanes is sporadic. The random colored lines are odd.
Back to 4 lanes, restripe bike lanes in green,
To me it seems it either needs to be all or nothing and consistent--either it is very clear where the bike lane is and that follows what other bike lanes look like to people, the same way we are consistent with other signaling for drivers, or there is no bike lane. The traffic lane going from 41st onto Portola is also way too short before it merges. I am perhaps ignorant as I maybe just don't drive Portola *that* much--I drive it at least once a week, probably 3 times/week, but I have not noticed it to be a high bike traffic street.
Keep the turn lane at 38th going south on 38th.
Take it out
Make the pedestrian and bike area safer and shielded by plants not those ugly orange bags that are distracting.
remove the bumped out (purple painted) curbs that obstruct any right turns for cars or bikes, and add law enforcement 24/7 to catch vandals, speeders and stop sign runners
Would of never wasted the money!!
Leave it as is.
Nothing.
Bring the roadways to where they were.
If you talking about setting this stuff up, then I would say leave the new stop sign, turn the pedestrian cross walk sign back on and set up a pedestrian cross walk signal at 38th and Portola in all directions. Other than that, remove every thing else and return the traffic pattern flow back to it original pattern.
Bring back the original lanes. There is already too much traffic in Santa Cruz, esp. on a weekend. it is just making traffic worse, which will potentially cause more accidents with some drivers trying to drive by others in the center lane.
All of it. I feel the painted parts were ugly, I'd rather the existing roads were repaved and improved. I feel Portola Rd needs to be two-lanes in that area. It helps with the tourist traffic and general traffic. I've never been bothered by cyclists and pedestrians when driving. However, as a pedestrian, I appreciate the pedestrian flashing crosswalks when they are available
Put it back to normal
Two lanes both ways. Only left turn lanes are not helping.
Just do it permanent. Half measures make it less appealing and less effective. Everyone hated the traffic circles when they were new, but they were still put in anyway.
Remove it
plants and planter boxes
I would have removed parking on one side of the street and put bike traffic where parking used to be, increasing flow rather than reducing it.
Nothing I guess
1. Return Portola to 2 lanes. 2. Reduce the speed to 25 mph. 3. Add flashing lights a major crosswalks. 4. Add "Zebra" stripes as you approach intersections to slow drivers down.
Nothing - keep up the good thoughtful designs. Gives us hope for the future! We really need forward thinking in many many aspects of our lives at this time and era.
I did not understand changes for walking . Would like to be able to walk with my dog.
Take it down

Make it clearer what's happening and why
Don't waste money on plastic barriers that can be run over before you fix potholes that damage vehicles. You suck.
Extend it further to 30th Avenue.
Eliminate the entire structure permanently
Remove it. Have biked and walked around there before, don't see a need. And driving is much worse.
ELIMINATE ALL OF IT
eliminate it.
Back to 4 lanes, too much traffic caused by 1 car at a time at each stop sign, green paint bike lanes
Stronger barriers. the temporary barriers were damaged quickly, highlighting the need to add separation between cars and pedestrians.
N/a
Do it somewhere that makes sense.
i wouldn't do it. the project was an attempt to solve a problem that didn't exist (i.e. a waste of money).
if there was a way to use more vibrant and permanent looking treatments, it wasn't really that apparent what was being demonstrated and for what purpose
I would like to see more on-street parking added in the busier parts of the street.
n/a
Get advocates who work and live alongside to watch for vagrants who took down the barriers
permanent barriers between bike lane and traffic lane unnecessary if bike lane is wide enough.
Please restore street to previous condition.
parallel parking on Portola was a mess.
Clearer signage and barriers! AND, police enforcement of the stop signs. Chauvinistic drivers blew through the temporary stop signs actively and created hazards for cars and pedestrians alike. I spend a considerable amount of time at cat and cloud, and saw this occur multiple times an hour on every week day. Often times, the same vehicles repeatedly.
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Keep it the same. I do like the 4 way stop sign at Portola and 36th Ave and another stop should be at 30th. Almost impossible to cross Portola there.
I'd like to for it to be over on the 21st as expected
See above and copied here ... Bike lane that is actually protected/demarcated by a barrier - YES! Yay! Reducing the traffic pattern to one lane for short periods at intersections is very confusing. Some of paint on the street looks good but I have little idea what it is communicating. The bike lane border/railings looks good and help. More of them. Less street parking. More bike lane. Allow freedom for cars to use the vast amount of parking spaces available in some of the big parking lots that are often much empty and some always empty after 5pm. A total waste of pavement not too mention heating up everything around them
removal
Not much nothing seemed to be a. Issue
Extend to 30th
Widen the sidewalks.
I liked the idea, but I thought the layout wasn't smooth for all involved. As a cyclist I didn't get much out of the hoop barriers, and thought painting the bike lane a bright green like other streets would still be effective.
Do not make cars have to condense into one straight lane on Portola. It just makes no sense! Also, I would change the purple stripe area. If anything, paint the entire bike lane green so cars are aware of it. That is what everyone is used to seeing and clearly identifies the lane for what it is.
Add a train. See previous comment.
Free beer
More clarity of the lane markings (for cars).
Make the wave structures metal to stop cars intentionally running over them it will teach the brainless a lesson.
I know that change is very hard for a lot of people. I think if this were made permanent, everyone would get used to how it works.
Cancel the entire program. We do not have the alternative transportation culture to make a program like this successful
Cancel it
Stop it
The lane closures and conversion of one lane to parking was not clear and did not seem effective.
please make it permanent!
Condensing traffic to a single lane at 38th just causes a bottleneck for traffic, which increases vehicle run time (emissions), causes people to drive recklessly out of frustration, and seek "short cuts" through the neighborhood. If the single lane is going to be kept, the four way stops along portola should be changed to roundabouts or completely removed. Or remove the on-street parking in favor of maintaining all lanes of traffic and a protected bike lane
I wouldn't put any more energy/money into the idea. It's unnecessary. There is a working bike path 2 blocks over on E. Cliff. There is currently PLENTY of sidewalk AND a decent bike path on Portola - no need to mess around with car traffic.
Better communications with the affected neighborhood. Every household within at least a 5 mile radius of the demonstration, should have receive a flyer in the mail, with all disclosures. Send a flyer to every household within at least a 5 mile radius of the demonstration, with next steps of the follow-up and date collection results of the "Portola Ave. Demonstration". Please provide all of the name of all the county people (high and low level), and politicians who in some way supported the demonstration. We want to know, so come time to vote, the negative experience of the "Portola Ave. Demonstration", can be exposed to all of Santa Cruz! Warning, this could happen to your neighborhood too!
Eliminate it.
Greater enforcement of no parking zones within the demonstration area.

What was the point? It was like two blocks long. It made people resent cyclists more. I never had any problems in that area with cars vs bikes.
The changes look like a solution in search of a problem. I bike on this street every month and have never had a problem. I have been a pedestrian on the street and never had a problem. I lived in the neighborhood at one point and never had a problem with the street as built. The changes seem completely unnecessary and add non-conforming elements to the traffic pattern.
Address the crosswalk safety issue at 32nd and Portola.
Don't repeat it or make it permanent.
Take it down permanently
N/A
Cold beer
2 lanes each way / dedicated bike lane as it was. SAFETY for exit 30th clearer ped crossing.
Everything. Remove it
Needs to have vehicle turning lanes on Portola, parking spaces seem to make the lane very narrow. If ones open the door, you step into open traffic. The purple boxes seem like a good idea @38th, backups on weekends as it's a heavily used area.
Go back to the way it was with the exception of the stop sign @36th ave
Back to two lanes in both directions. Use water street project as a better model
No community engagement, mic closed to community engagement, crony democratic process
Take it down.
A more democratic approach. I was not informed about these changes. This is not ok.
Take it down. It instantly backed up traffic to Cole's BBQ & Billabong
Just make nicely painted bike lanes to the sides of the 4 - lane street. Thank you!
Nothing, really well dont
more advertising
Nothing
I wouldn't.
Nothing, y'all kick butt!
Even more arty. Love the painted corners.
More dividers would be good. Not sure parking in lane is needed, maybe just keep that an open lane for cars.
Wouldn't bother
speed limit sign in area of Pinto Lake
Go back to the way it was before
hand out flyers about road safety and wearing helmets
Barriers more sturdy than the current ones held by velcro.
More signage, maybe coordinate it with a sidewalk pop-up event,
More plants / trees if permanent. Bigger separation / barrier between bike lane and cars
parallel parking seems not worth the cost of its effect on traffic flows.
less polarization on the issue
Leave it as it was before
I don't understand what purple means, better understanding of what everything is.
Keep Portola two lanes the whole way, add speed bumps to slow people
Everything but the stop sign, "open house" was a political dumpster. Needed an open mike.
Poor explanation, biased to bicyclist not safe for them either! Too busy of a squeeze and people can hurt themselves.
Some of the turns onto Portola feel very tight, like the dividers are too far out. Turning right onto Portola from 38th, towards the beach
Is there a way to add protected bike lanes w/out the traffic implications + cutting back a lane?
Better walking flow.
Right turn only from 40th ave
lets give it some time.
Make it permanent!
Make it permanent.
Consider making some of the left turn only at stop signs for both straight and left turn to help ease some congestion
Less negativity from public you guys are great.
more inclusive food options
Nothing
very cool music and food
Beverages
instructions on that fancy bike rack haha.
Nothing.
Biked here but had trouble crossing traffic to get to the pizza
Not sure
Better sharing of lanes w/ cars so that neighborhood residents don't feel they've "lost a car lane" might help the politics
Nothing, you're perfect. ok almost. Paper plates are good, but no plastic cups please. Reusables are the way to go.
I love the wave barrier, I would love to make the wave even more visible for cars. Reflective paint maybe?
Vegan pizza.

Do you have any additional comments? / Tiene algún comentario adicional?
This is great. Thanks!
stop wasting tax payer dollars on 'pie in the sky' special interest group projects including this one 'adopted by our EX-supervisor Leopold
Please keep working on improving bike safety & facilitation! Santa Cruz lags behind many municipalities. There should be some emphasis on improving driver performance as well. For instance, far too many drivers are continually observed trying to use their cellphones while driving, and in the process catastrophically endangering cyclists. To be fair, many pedestrians and other cyclists are equally at fault with cellphone abuse. Pedestrians are frequently so distracted with their cellphones that they, for instance, unexpectedly step off a curb into a bike lane into the immediate path of a bike, and it is not uncommon to find a cyclist attempting to operate a cellphone keyboard while riding.
I don't ride my bike often because of the threat of cars wising by. I would be totally safe is the bake lanes were separated form the car lanes.
No
It would remove street parking from Portola and force those people into the neighborhood which is not appropriate
See above. Focus on slowing down traffic and having a center turn lane and pedestrians and bikes will be safer
Please please put it back to the way it wa 🙏🙏🙏.
The bike lane takes up valuable parking
I hope this doesn't become permanent. Parking in the pleasure point area is already terrible and removal of those on street parking spots will only hurt the area.
Please remove it
No
No
Remove it soon!
I dislike those purple lines. Looks like kids took chalk to the street.
I foresee a lot of congestion with traffic like all summers. What if the streets were shut down during the weekends? Like in Golden Gate Park in San Francisco?
Please do not make this permanent!
Going from two lanes down to one from 41st to 38th is going to be a traffic nightmare. It is going to push traffic into the neighborhood which does not have the benefit of sidewalks making it MORE dangerous for pedestrians and bicyclists who are not on Portola. There are too many visual distractions, colors, paintings on the ground, weird white things, changes in the traffic lanes. Entirely too much going on, way too complicated, visually distracting. Unsure where to go, what to look at. Traffic is going to be a nightmare with lane changes and the center divide. Worst design and changes.
What a disaster- zero interaction with residents affected by it - really really poor traffic management- did you simulate this - I will fight this to the highest level.
The changes are idiotic, unsafe and going to cause more issues than they solve. Distracting, more traffic, disruptive to homeowners, pushing more traffic onto side streets with no sidewalks. Get rid of it all!
Good in theory but execution is way over the top
Please do not mess with Portola Drive. You'll only succeed in creating traffic jams and increased pollution. Please do not try and fix something that isn't broken.
Created too much traffic for cars
I work out at a gym on Portola. The first morning of the new lanes there was about 10 people at the gym for workout. All of them including me were excited by the bike lane. They all had great pride to be living in such a forward looking community. All that matters too. We christened the new lane by running down it and back for our warm up.
Remove
No
Has any thought been given to the flow of traffic and volume of traffic that junction sees? Clearly not.
Again, I very much support the concept, but the exhibit is too much.
This is a horrible idea and a waste of money. How soon will you remove it? Fire whoever designed this they need to go back to school.
Was this taken to public approval?
So confusing such a waste, really embarrassing lack of civic responsibility on the part of whoever is doing this.
Open the road back up. We already have traffic issues in Santa Cruz....Why would anyone think this is a good idea.
It sucks. Don't take lanes for cars and turn them into bike or walking lanes. There are no jams for walkers or riders ONLY TRAFFIC JAMS FOR CARS!!!!!!!!!!!!
East country desperately needs to make better use of the old train tracks. Leave the tracks in or pull them out, what ever it takes to build access for walkers/cyclists as soon as possible.
I thought it looked ugly.
No
Get rid of the damn thing. You've created more of an issue than you've solved. What drugs were the planners and ecology action on when they doodled this with crayons? There is more to think about than cyclists and pedestrians. The cyclists I've spoken to think this is unnecessary. I bike Portola all the time. This was never an issue. Traffic is going to be a nightmare on weekends and holidays. Safety is going to be worse on other streets. Get rid of the project. Listen to the feedback, read the comments on social media and NextDoor. Nobody is in favor of this.
Thank you for doing this I am excited!
GET RID OF EVERYTHING THAT WAS INSTALLED AND PAINTED. You've created something that will result in more accidents, distracted drivers, traffic, and unsafe conditions for pedestrians and cyclists. Not to mention hurting local businesses as people avoid this area at all costs.

This is the stupidest idea that I have ever seen the county or any group apply to the roadway especially as a summer tourist traffic increases in the beach neighborhoods. Additionally, notice it should have gone out to everybody in the county not just the neighborhoods so they can voice their opinion. Yes Portola thorough fare is used by people from all over the county who work or transition through this area as part of their daily commute And they were given no notice or opportunity to give their opinion which is unfair and then democratic. Shut this project down now.
This is a horrible idea, traffic nightmare. I felt very unsafe driving there.
I am available to help volunteer any day you need me. My number is 808 214 3218. My address is 691 37th ave. Will you please put a speed numb I front of my house. Thank you
This idea is a total cluster fuck
This will undoubtedly direct traffic off of Portola and on to neighboring streets. I live at the intersection of Adrienne Way and Bain Ave, and it is already impacted by people taking shortcuts to access 41st Ave. This will no doubt add more vehicles down our "quiet street" with more people in a hurry disregarding the safety of pedestrians, cyclists, children & pets. It's already happening. There are no sidewalks on these two streets which further endangers all those already mentioned. I am completely opposed to the project currently happening on Portola Ave. A waste of taxpayers dollars only to bottleneck the traffic.
Portola drive is not needed to be a bike & pedestrian space. People use east cliff drive. Duh
I drive, bicycle and walk on Portola. I appreciate the improvements because they slow car traffic, which in the past has been too fast for the safety of anyone. My concern is that the curbs that are now represented by the purple paint are all soft curbs that bicycles can ride up and over. Otherwise bikes will be forced into car traffic at all the intersection choke points.
Think it through people...
We need the two lanes
I don't think the changes are an improvement to pedestrian or traffic safety.
Please go back to the way it was... our business needs the parking!
No
No
Never had a problem riding my bike on Portola. Now I have an issue driving and riding my bike. Bad planning!!
none
See above. Why encourage biking on vehicle central corridors?
Great work! I love the idea
This is a horrible idea. We do not have enough room for the traffic right now. To limit the flow in half is terrible. Portola is a main road for emergency vehicles. I believe this will cause deaths. It is horrible.
No
PLEASE stop putting items in the roadway. Pedestrians and bikers will be injured because drivers are paying more attention to not hitting items in the roadway! They dont even see the bikers now. I'll never take a bike there. Driving in that area is dangerous enough already
This so-called "demonstration project" represents another new low in county governance.
The right turn only lane at 38th where no one ever turns right is going to cause a huge traffic backup in the one remaining lane since the majority of traffic goes straight or turns left. Very poor planning!!
Bad idea does not allow traffic to flow and creates stress
There are already bike lanes on this road, cutting a lane out that is meant for cars causes confusion and MORE traffic that already exists. The impatience shown by drivers is alarming because of the lane switching and cutting through parking lots. I drive this road multiple times a day.
Great Idea!!! I love it! Please make it permanent!
I very much appreciate this. We are a beach community, not LA metro. Yikes, slow effing down people!
No
As long as the ribbons remain on the bike lanes, I will ride my bike in the car lane as I do not feel safe in the lane with ribbons blocking any evasive maneuvers I need to make.
Pot holes and roads all around East Cliff from 7th to Portola need to be fixed. Bike safety is an issue by twin lakes beach up to 13th Ave. much more appropriate there to do this kind of idea not on Portola.
This is stupid and dangerous.
None
We just need visible bike and crossing lanes. The extended turns lanes have created an almost one lane road and traffic where there has never been traffic creating more aggressive driving.
Think about all the unintended consequences your ideas will have across all aspects of impact: residential traffic, congestion, increased road rage to name a few.
I live at Portola and 41st and it was hard to get in and out of the driveway but now it is worse
Murray Street & Seabright please send someone out there to watch traffic for an hour, hell I'd meet you there
Keep up the bike safety progress.
End the demo
Stop this now. We sit in enough traffic as it is. This is the main way for residents to get in and out of pleasure point. I cannot express enough how frustrating this is for my family and friends we have spoken to.
I drive Portola regularly, there are very few cyclists
This is a blatant move to increase the Tourist Cluster! Our neighborhood is already overwhelmed. It's distracting, unsafe, a waste of money & time. It is a driving hazard and needs to be somewhere like the Boardwalk, or no where! It gives pedestrians a false sense of security! Please just stick w the lighted crosswalks at crucial junctions.
No

Stop wasting tax payers money on stupid Unnecessary stuff
Terrible idea and waste of taxpayer money
This is going to be a traffic nightmare. What idiot approved this?!
Na
This should be removed!
This is an awful idea and you need to change it back
Terrible idea
Please do not continue on with current project.
Get rid of the turn only lanes and put it back how it was. There's plenty of curb space and sidewalks for pedestrians. There's absolutely no need to make it so difficult to navigate.
Remove it
No
In concept, this idea had good intentions. However, the road to hell is paved with good intentions and that's exactly where this installation belongs - in the trash. The corners look like they were painted by kindergartners. The traffic is unbearably sluggish with even more confusion-invoked delays than we already have at the 41st Ave and 38th Ave intersections. Originally, I actually thought this was a good idea on paper but is more dangerous to pedestrians, more destructive to local businesses visibility, and with a greater impact on traffic than we good even imagine.
I've lived around this neighborhood my whole life and grew up jogging and walking and riding my bike to the beach through Portola. I want safety for pedestrians. This project is ugly and confusing and doesn't even work
No
Portola Drive during evening hours has been a great way to get around the traffic backups. This doesn't help at all. Please focus on areas that really need it - East Cliff Drive from the Windmill Cafe down to the yacht harbor (and going the opposite direction) has walkers and bicyclists with very little room to spare along the road. Also East Cliff by Corcoran Lagoon gets bicyclists, walkers, beach goers, no extra room either way.
No
It's super confusing and almost having more accidents to everyone around then doing good and causing more people to speed do side streets were kids are playing!
This makes it very stressful to use portola which I use every day
This is going to cause so much traffic backed up in all directions
No
Unsafe
I appreciate this survey exists, and I hope that the voice of residents is heard! Having a nice bike lane is great, but changes to traffic and consolidating lanes is terrible. There really should be a middle ground!
Horrible idea. Put it back the way it was
Take it down and make a bike path along the train tracks...
It will definitely slow traffic down on Portola, but probably won't help neighborhood streets with speeding issues.
This "demonstration event" is demonstrating exactly why we do not need this. The infrastructures for pedestrians and bikers are already in place and are sufficient for the limited number of people who choose this method of travel. Cutting down a very busy road to one lane per side??(Is it one lane? I cant even tell due to the chaos of lines in the road and limited signage, except for 20 feet in front of the stop sign. Which you cant see when you are sitting in traffic a half mile back by the way.) This is an unsafe, (due to people spastically trying to reposition their cars) inefficient (due to the disproportionate roadway allotments given to the modes of travel) and financially irresponsible way to spend money in our community.
It is simply terrible.
No
It's a really poorly thought out plan with no consideration of the multiple impacts.
Don't spend money where I here's no need
This is ridiculous.
Don't fix what wasn't broken.
Stop interfering in other peoples lives. Not everyone wants to do what you want to do.
you need to send postcards or something like that to everyone in the area. this will be terrible in the summer. the wavy barriers are especially ugly & offensive.
please consult people with good aesthetic taste. the west side looks so much better when they do improvements. the point needs to pick cleaner, simpler materials and stop trying to be cute or "fun". it just looks tacky.
reducing the amount of traffic lanes in an area thats already heavily impacted by traffic seems like a poor decision, especially when its unclear as to how that makes pedestrians/bicyclists any more safer compared to just using the guard rails
Made me feel safer walking my dog to have the barriers up. She's always leashed but I still have a fear that she'll get into the road. Having that barrier is extra security to my peace of mind that a car won't veer too close and hit her
Don't just rely on public comment to make a decision. Track car speed and volumes before and after to see if the changes can be quantified
Why
I have been a resident since 1980 and I feel overhead bypasses for people on foot and bike would benefit all. The four way stop at 41st should be turned into a round about to avoid unnecessary delays and Opal Cliffs should be turned into a one way road with bike lane and walking paths.
No

There are bike lanes and sidewalks. What are you trying to prove here. We should be spending our tax dollars and energy on the rail trail.
By the amount of traffic backed up I do not think this is a good idea. Please do not go forward with this project.
Please do not make this permanent. Also, you should be making these surveys more accessible to the community. The fact that you are just handing out pamphlets with this survey to walkers & bikers is going to make for some very one-sided survey results. There are more people in cars.
Please take it all down.
Have heard only negative comments from community. Unfortunately the execution of this test seems dangerous and amateur
This will back up traffic and make the side streets more dangerous as people will use them to get around the demonstration
The last thing this town needs is more traffic congestion and that's what this would cause. A reduction of lanes on busy street with tons of stop signs? Get real! The whole idea is silly anyways. What's getting more people to bike down portola going to accomplish? If someone is nervous about biking on the street (probably because they have little kids with them...at least that's what this project seems to be for) they can just go down to the point. Plenty of space there and it's much more scenic. If you're really serious about increasing cycling infrastructure as a viable option for more commuters, than you'll need to do better than this. The railroad tracks are the perfect option. Whatever happened to that idea? A direct crosstown bike path away from all the traffic would be amazing.
It sucks!
I would LOVE to see something like this installed on Soquel Drive!! I live off of that near AJs and people think that is a second highway—50+ MPH!! I'm terrified to ride my bike on it which makes it impossible to do a ride from home. I think something like this would be so great since it's such a main through fair and maybe it would make people slow down in their cars and perhaps consider taking their bike instead! :)
No
It's very confusing for drivers. Too many distractions, bikers are mostly biking on East Cliff and watch ocean rather than on a street where they see just buildings and traffic. I think there are more dangerous streets for bikers which needs to be fixed.
It doesn't make any sense. It's a bad plan. Thank god it isn't permanent. And I hope there aren't too many fender benders. People ride their bikes up east cliff for fucks sake.
As above. The danger was just moved from a busy expected urban type of street to the slower and more narrow residential streets. Not a solution, just move the problem to our front yards
No
I understand the spirit of the idea, but the location and execution is terrible.
Please take it all down
Why were residents not consulted prior to this experiment? It has created a traffic nightmare without providing benefits for pedestrians.
N/A
I'd love to see it expanded throughout the county. Would love to take my son bike riding but Soquel Dr is a freeway and too dangerous. Love this idea and the work that's been put in to it!
PLEASE return our neighborhood to its peaceful order and beauty!!!
I live on 35th Avenue. Things were working well before; I bike, drive, and walk around the area. This has just made a confusing, ugly, and dangerous mess.
please return 2 lanes to both sides of traffic on portolla AND remove the stop sign. this is RIDICULOUS
Repainting the bike lanes would have been enough to make it safer and more accessible.
Please remove this crap you've put up.
PLEASE revert the changes. all of my neighbors do not like the changes. the only people who might like the changes are valleys. please understand the locals do not like any part of this trash project.
Stopping changing our town to accommodate out of town tourists
I felt like it made it less safe for bicycles actually because I was so focused on the traffic, merging, and people cutting over to avoid traffic. Please stop this project.
No
Please think about people who live in the Pleasure point area that don't want to sit in daily traffic on Portola Drive to accommodate this ridiculous plan. My wife, children, and I ride our bikes along Portola all the time and it is fine the way it is. If you want to improve the situation then improve the road conditions- particularly in the bike lane near Coffeetopia- and bike the bike lane more prominent.
Seriously, please remove. It truly makes me uncomfortable to be on my bike— which is my main source of daily transportation around the east side
NA
Local business owners are losing business/money due to this "improvement".
We should repair and improve roads rather than making them more congested and confusing. This would improve both driving and bicycle usage.
This will make traffic absolutely horrible on weekends
I live within 1 block of this Portola installation & it's a NIGHTMARE. Please take it down!
This project prioritizes bike traffic that does not occur on Portola to the detriment of vehicular traffic that does. I fully support activating Portola Drive from 30th to 41st through amenities for pedestrians and cyclists, but this project is not a good solution. In addition to creating gridlock, it hurts local businesses like Suda and Pleasure Point Wine and Spirits by completely eliminating access from westbound traffic.
No

Biking in Santa Cruz County is a beautiful thing for locals and visitors. This project really enhances the pleasure and safety of biking and will get more people out for a ride. My kids (9 and 12y) and I bike commute on Portola to school and work and to see friends and surf. But we had begun to go out of our way to avoid Portola because of safety concerns with doors of parked cars entering the bike lane and distracted drivers behind us. With the protected bike lanes we are excited to be back on Portola.
Take out the temporary and put a light in at 41st and portola. Very dangerous intersection. No parking outside bike lane, narrow entrances to businesses and side streets, no quickly merging lanes, no large white rubber dividers
STOP THIS TEST OW AND DO NOT DO THIS AGAIN TO THE PEOPLE WHO ARE DAILY IMPACTED BY YOUR SELFISH DECISIONS. ASK BEFORE YOU ACT!!! Bicycle Lobbyists have been very aggressive in Santa Cruz and need to get their Bicyclists to follow their laws for how they act on the streets. They are dangerous and pushing for them to be able to fly through our streets is to appreciated. I was a bicyclist for decades and do to appreciate the attitude of the bikers on the streets and on East Cliff.
No
Instead of spending money on this project we need court drive repaired. There are far to many Commercial trucks using our street. They use our street to deliver in Capitola. Help with this impovement!
Remove it. Fix that awful four way intersection if anything.
Please ask for local input on the design, start over or just stop this madness
for real please change it back it ugly confusing and unneeded
No
Remove as soon as possible!!!!
I like the idea that Portola will now be two lanes all the way down then two lanes to four lanes. It is now treated like an expressway by commuters. This will stop that.
The traffic is much much worse due to this development. It has made driving far more dangerous and therefore far more dangerous for those walking/biking. On top of the danger and traffic, it is overwhelming to look at.
get rid of it
Who the heck approved this? I drive through there several times a day as I leave or go to my home. Why am I sitting in traffic? I've never seen traffic there before. I've lived in Santa Cruz for 40 years.
Make it go at least to 26th Avenue
Please bring everything back to normal. This is very stressful and not positive
Please get rid of it
This is the dumbest fucking thing I have seen in a long time
I plan to sign whatever Petition that comes up to make this go away im very unhappy about the changes.
When will this be taken down this should just be painted out before Fourth of July traffic it's more dangerous for people trying to walk I sat at the stop sign at 41st and Portola for five minutes because the pedestrians were blocking the cars the cars couldn't turn and people kept backing up Leave the street as it was this is a horrible horrible horrible thing you've done to the street
Please return to original asap
Take it down and focus elsewhere
Thanks for working on making it safer for pedestrians and bicyclists
I love this idea. It just needs work on cohesion of green zones.
Very unhappy with the new arrangement. Favors bikes over traffic delays when there is a lovely lane on eastcliff already. Unnecessary
Thanks for listening!
Please do not make permanent on portola. If anything a light at 30th and portola like the one at seabright and soquel Ave. It has same weird configuration.
Looks like you're getting the message loud and clear. All bad feedback since they went up. 4th of July should be an absolute fricken mess! That is, if the locals haven't pulled all those barriers out of the ground by then. So for such a stupid idea, who pays for this?? Idiots!
Yes, this is not good for the neighborhood
Bad idea hire people with common sense and quit wasting tax dollars
Put Portola back to two lanes it's a traffic jam
The congestion at 38th and then at 41st will only get worse as more tourists come to town. I use Paotola to 38th and 41st almost daily to shop, go out to eat, hardware store, gasoline, thrift store, bank and so on. Please leave it alone.
The temporary installation doesn't even look remotely professional. It looks like a school class completed the project. It makes it even more frustrating. Who paid for this?
No
Very poorly thought out and implemented.
No
no
It is nice to know Santa Cruz County has enough money to play games like this with. When will we get pavement improvements to East Cliff Drive between 17th and 12th? What about Capitola Road between 17th and 41st??
Improve 38 the Ave bike lane
No
Who is leading this project, and where are the voices challenging project leaders before they decide to do something lacking so much pragmatism?
TAKE IT OUT!!!!

Cancel this program. At a minimum allow those of us who live in Pleasure Point, and use these streets daily for foot, bicycle and auto travel to have a say, as in a vote. I doubt this will be anything else than forced down our throats. It's a debacle of communication, planning and fairness to those of us who live here. Another thinly veiled renaming of Slow Streets at best. Pushed by an organization who believes all transportation should be by bicycle....What about folks who cannot bicycle?
terrible idea, makes more traffic and will be dangerous for everyone
No
Please take it down ASAP. As a resident of 41st Avenue this is a nightmare.
no
please remove this eyesore and bring back both lanes
This was poorly planned and created problems . Traffic was backed up all the way down portola to get to the stop sign at 38th. The turn lanes and suicide lanes are not necessary. People that work, surf, and live in the area now have to deal with endless lines of cars. You have created a traffic problem. Bad idea. Needs to revert to original two lanes.
No
This is going to dramatically affect the pleasure point neighborhood. Commuters will be cutting through pleasure point to avoid the traffic you have created on portola. Please remove ASAP
You will be sued by the chils parents who's child gets killed by a speeding car in the point because they are trying to get around this monstrosity. Get rid of it.
How much of my tax dollars were spent on this ridiculous experiment? Manu, if you're reading this, I voted for you in the last election. If you support this mess, you won't get that support again!
Make it go away
Please plan more accordingly. The demonstrations are an eye sore, poorly constructed, and are a nuisance. Most folks walk/bike on E. Cliff drive anyway
Please take this down. I get you are trying to make better or safer biking areas but this wasn't an area of concern for bicyclists. This was a misguided change.
Quit stalling on the Rail Trail.
It's causing a lot of traffic delays
No
The stripping on the street could be made brighter and better, I would also look into understanding how other countries/cities who have a lot more biking routes set up do their dedicated lanes.
Again, Portola Drive has existing sidewalks on both sides of the street, one of the only streets that does. There are many other places where this should take place. POOR PLANNING!
I like the general idea, however this area is too impacted for cars by reducing the lanes.
Please remove all the plastic crap and give the road back. Thanknu
Go Back to the DRAWING BOARD.
Not everyone in this county is capable of riding a bicycle, or walking everywhere. Who thinks of these ideas!
I haven't talked to a single person in Pleasure Point who thought this was amazing! Horrible idea
One of the (plastic divider is already broken, after a big truck run over it because the limited areas to turn into a parking lot.
Nope
This was a terrible idea and as a local of 20 years I do not appreciate this being imposed on our community
It is the dumbest thing I have ever seen installed in my 30 years in Santa Cruz. It creates a terrible bottleneck on a busy road, it's difficult to navigate, and I don't think it significantly improves bike safety. Those barricades aren't going to stop a distracted driver from hitting someone.
Please remove this installation immediately. It's a burden on our small community.
no
Worst idea and a waste of money.
I live on Pleasure Point and drive and/or walk this corridor almost daily and never received any info on this. Either to comment/get involved or to be aware it was coming/happening. I agree the traffic speed is excessive on Portola and the stop signs at 36th were long overdue. But the walking/biking/driving flows need to be shared appropriately and the planters which create 12 foot wide bike lanes do not allow this.
Thank you
Please remove all of the ugly art.
No
I think I've said enough ☹️
Separating cars from bikes should be a top priority for those concerned with transportation.
This project has made traffic on portola much worse. Cars now merge lanes illegally and don't fully stop at stop signs if they are going straight. Money would be better spent on improving roads instead making a busy street like Portola more backed up then it was. I think the stop sign added at 36th Ave is very helpful and a good idea.
This is not good for traffic or safety
No
Yes, remove it all!
As a parent and educator in Santa Cruz County I appreciate the concern to increase safety. There have been too many people injured, ruining lives of all involved.
This is a nice idea but it's creating major traffic issues and completely ignores the insane amount of speeding happening on Portola coming down the hill past the lagoon. People drive 60+ mph on that stretch. Last year some DUI person hit the row of cars parked in front of Shearwater. What is being done to slow the speed of people driving on that stretch???

STOP!
Extremely disappointed in this wasteful and undemocratic pork barrel project.
It would be awesome to make the bike lanes wider from soquel to Portola down 41st that is a very unsafe roadway for bicyclists.
I've always felt completely safe walking, biking and driving on Portola. The only times I felt unsafe were when I was walking alone at night and accosted by drunk men coming out of the bars. If you want to improve Portola, I would recommend adding better lighting at night and a lighted crosswalk.
No
Worst design ever.
The narrowing causes too much traffic
Stop light and crosswalk lights.
YES, apprise US taxpayers on how are \$\$\$\$\$ can be possibly spent NOT spend it and then have us fill out this stupid form to find out what we think!
Waste of money shame on you!
This is a terrible idea
There no need for 1 lane on portola we need two
No
So bad
Nope
This is a dumb idea
Why not improve the rail corridor for cycling/pedestrian use? I'd much rather be completely separated from cars if possible. We have this great resource laying dormant while we fight over the fantasy of a train 20+ years in the future.
Portola drive is a major traffic/vehicle route and is needed to prevent grid lock streets and reducing the lanes will negatively impact all. The street runs east and west the sun restricts visibility in the spring and fall naturally making it dangerous for bikes and pedestrians we need to have cross walks that are automated like 30th ave.
Do not narrow or "Diet" these lanes
Not that are printable
No
Total focused toward a small group
The plastic bike installation are ok could use less of them and the turning lanes make for traffic.
Very poorly thought out concept with little to no value to our community. The turn only lanes onto 38th avenue are not necessary and will funnel too much traffic into a small area.
No
I'd like to see the use of roundabouts like they have in Europe, rather than stop signs. And NOT traffic circles - a roundabout shouldn't simply be circular, but should be made to control traffic speeds on entry/exit -this greatly enhances traffic flow while also keeping speeds down
I am retired, therefore do not take part in "commute traffic" . The single lane has caused a significant backup in traffic during the day where none existed before. Idled cars are not environmentally friendly, and fruition results. For this and the mailbox blocking, I find the project a failure.
The use of active transportation,TDM or whatever you call it is about behavioral change....Good luck with that!
Why are you having a taco party?! Fix this failure
I love the stop sign at 36th, we've needed that for a long time. Not sure how the parallel parking between 38 and 41 will go adding to the traffic jam, is there a way to do pull-in diagonal parking there? Love the overall idea of the changes, thank you!!
I own a home and live in Santa Cruz full time. I'm in my 60s and I ride my bike often. WE need + changes to help the safety of bike riders AND pedestrians.
Improved bike lanes all over the Portola/Live Oak area
I visited the area between 2 and 3 and again from 5 to 6. The first visit had no more bicycles than usual and people walking where not impacted. The second visit, 5 to 6 showed traffic backing andcongestion.
You are making the neighborhood a nightmare. The cars are now angry and backed up. Now they look for alternate ways and speed through the neighborhood. It doesn't work!!!! Go back to the drawing board and consult with neighbors that have lived here long, they know the personality of the neighborhood.
I can't believe how much effort and money went into such an unsafe project.
Pitting stop signs, narrowing to single lane and adding raised medians will clog traffic and make it impossible to use the street and sidewalks
Very glad this temporary installation shows people what is possible and being considered
Don't do it.
Keep doing it!
No
Thank you for working to make the Portola corridor safer for everyone
Please take it out.
Most people i have spoken with have been drivers angry at the overkill, using alternate routes that have no safety provisions.

<p>The path of travel, by both car and walking was difficult to navigate. All of the new lane markings and installations were atypical, and confusing. I would not bicycle on this street now, as the bike line is very wide in some areas, and at the rancho type commercial strip (38th to Avis Way), the lane narrows precariously where (probably heritage) street trees are installed into the bike path. There were no bicyclists using this new installation, and car traffic is now quite backed up with the loss of the double lanes. Also, the egress by car for mail drop off at the USPS postal box was blocked. I had to back up to the closest driveway to get out after dropping off mail. How was this not seen as an issue.</p>
<p>Scrap it and start over. This is a complete disaster. There are too many turns streets and driveways to accommodate one lane each way. It's all way too complicated and if a bike lane and walk way is wanted it should be constructed between the sidewalk and current bike lane. So much wasted space</p>
<p>The two lanes in each direction provide adequate lanes for traffic flow while keeping space for cyclists and walkers.</p>
<p>Never in my life have I seen the psychedelic purple swirls on a road. What are they even for? What are they telling drivers to do?</p>
<p>Bring back leopard</p>
<p>Get rid of this now.</p>
<p>Please take this abomination away! The traffic is AWFUL now and all of the "improvements" are terribly distracting</p>
<p>It did feel safer than before but having ridden a bicycle there hundreds of times I never once did not feel safe there. It always felt safe.</p>
<p>This was well meaning I understand but the execution is awful. Please remove all of the insanity. We could use a street light and a few more stop signs, we do not need our street to look like a zoo.</p>
<p>No</p>
<p>If people complain about taking a car lane away for bikes they should use this as an opportunity to get and ride an ebike. Ebike riding is faster and easier than driving in many parts of the high traffic places with difficult parking</p>
<p>It has to work for pedestrians (which it already did with the cross walk flashers), bikes AND cars. This concept seems to be biased to bikers.</p>
<p>Horrible idea</p>
<p>This whole idea sucks. You people are out of your mind.</p>
<p>I am an avid biker This does not make me feel any safer</p>
<p>No.</p>
<p>Two lanes or a stop light would be better. Taking a lane out for a couple extra parking spaces is dumb</p>
<p>Please go back to the way Portola Drive was - there is nothing positive about this project!! It creates increased traffic and so far many near misses of accidents</p>
<p>People who falsely believe the speeding traffic helps local businesses are mistaken. Slowing traffic and adding safety for walkers, bikers and our canine friends will allow locals to more freely explore and utilize our fine local establishments.</p>
<p>X</p>
<p>I hope this temporary idea is gone soon, not permanent. Doesn't work, eye sore and causing tension and traffic jams.</p>
<p>Traffic is already a cluster in SC & this makes it worse. It is extremely difficult to navigate and is dangerous to at</p>
<p>Portola already has bike lanes and crosswalks. This demonstration is pushing cars from Portola into the Pleasure Point neighborhood as they seek to avoid the delays on Portola.</p>
<p>Why??</p>
<p>Stop wasting money like this. Anyone with a brain would know this would cause a traffic issue</p>
<p>It's 2021 can we get some intelligent stop lights so cars don't have to sit there when no one else is moving? It's like we are trying to cause traffic</p>
<p>Nuff said</p>
<p>Unbelievably stupid</p>
<p>Ya fuck u</p>
<p>No</p>
<p>Please change it back to the original street pattern. Repave and paint good lines.</p>
<p>No</p>
<p>Traffic is now backed up during commute times all the way down to "The Point" restaurant, due to lane closure at 38th ave. I witnessed two motorcycles driving in the bike lane in order to avoid the line. I have lived in Pleasure Point since the early 70's and ride my bike on Portola all the time. There are already bike lanes that work just fine. This will be a bad idea that will make living here all that more frustrating. It's already a madhouse with drivers racing around on residential streets trying to get around the bottlenecks. This only creates another such situation. Your efforts would be better utilized in a more rural setting such as Green Valley. There are no schools, parks, public buildings on that stretch of Portola. It is used for commerce, shopping. Leave it alone, it has worked for generations, and works fine now.</p>
<p>PLEASE do not make this permanent. I live off of Portola, so I walk, bike and drive the road daily.</p>
<p>This is going to make traffic horrible on Portola. There is already bike lanes and crossing for pedestrians. I have seen more people just crossing the roads not in crosswalks which makes it more dangerous.</p>
<p>No</p>
<p>I just can not believe that this was actually an idea that anyone would act upon. The paint on the street is ugly. The traffic in a car is a disaster and it has done nothing to improve safety. I am an avid bicycle rider and ride this route to work. Most cars seem confused and I would have to agree. Turning a 2 lane road into a one lane road where there was already a bike lane is idiotic. Why not spend the money on Seabright Ave where there are no bike lanes at all?? Dumb idea. Dumb execution.</p>

I don't mind the stop sign at 36th and portola. That is kind of nice. The random few spots of parking added to portola are not necessary. If you are trying to make portola more walkable and bikeable then why would you add more car parking? That does not make sense to me. If you want more parking in this area then turn one of the junky old properties on portola into a big parking lot. Don't make all the traffic be backed up and suffer for two random parking spots in front of cat and cloud. See if you can get an agreement for them to use the parking lot by dynasty and coffeetopia. There is plenty of empty parking in that complex that could be utilized.
Sad this was not voted on before the money was spent.
No
Take it all back!
Who was the brain child of this expensive tax payers BS?
Santa Cruz already has horrible thorough fares to manage it's population. This has caused such a back up and is so NOT efficient. PUT IT BACK and STOP wasting our tax payor money without thinking this stuff through!!!!
No
As a resident of the area, I'm concerned about the reduction in automobile lanes. I'm already seeing vehicle traffic get backed up on that section of Portola Drive.
The bicycle lane delineators are dangerous sources of entanglement and accidents. Parking along the delineators next to street tree bumpouts is particularly hazardous to bicyclists, by limiting our freedom of movement when the bike lane is blocked, and when we need to take the lane for turning or avoiding obstructions in the bike lane. Right turn lanes across the bike lanes put bicyclists in constant jeopardy. Please do not make these unnecessary and unneeded "improvements!"
Not sure what the intent is. Nobody going on a measure bike ride or walk use Portola anyway! It's a vehicle movement location. People use East Cliff. Portola needs massive upgrades before you get cute with adding junky pathways! And don't use plastic! When parts break, they go down the drain to the ocean!
No
No
None
N/a
This project seems unnecessary and misdirected.
Don't try to "fix" something that isn't broken, especially without neighborhood input!
No
Get rid of it, or you can be assured the locals will. I already see people knocking things over and moving them because they are hindering turning. The business owners aren't happy either. Except maybe Cat and cloud who already have parking issues, not enough. And got a couple new spaces in front. Portola drive is thoroughfare for residents to get to work, shopping and services. It is not a town center or a scenic drive. We have East Cliff drive as safe pedestrian and bicycle pathway. Not that many people ride bikes on Portola and the money should be invested to keep the sidewalks, crosswalks and existing bike lanes visible and clean. The crosswalk lights prior to this project had greatly improved crossing the streets. Drivers were always polite and stopped when lights were flashing. Now they are angry and frustrated with the incredible backup of traffic. It took my son 20 minutes to go from 30th Ave to 41st, which is ridiculous.
Take it down pls
None
Please take it down
Waste of time and money.
Examine the quality of life of coastal area that have made similar tourism based improvements (I.e. Huntington Beach).
Please get rid of it
Trash
Please listen to drivers. Obviously the event creates community but it also needs to be safe and if drivers feel it is unsafe that should take precedence.
Please do not make this permanent. It's distracting and confusing for everyone. Maybe paint the bike lane green and call it a day.
Why is race a consideration? (last question)
No
nope, not at this time but thanks for trying, I have a feeling you will be tweaking this a lot as time goes on.
No
no
Get rid of it ASAP for the love of god!!
stop creating more traffic
Take it down
This disrupts local businesses. Traffic is now detouring though the neighborhoods and the local parking lots to go around the backed up single lanes
Why don't we just have better public transportation? This feels misguided.
Disappointed
Please do not make this permanent. There has got to be a better way.
What a waste of time and money Very poorly planned
I'm new to the area, but have heard a lot of people complaining about this on NextDoor. From my perspective, a wider and more visible bike lane is always helpful to cyclists. However, it seems that parking may have been taken away for some businesses along the road (though it wasn't entirely clear if this is the case or if they had just been moved into the other lane). Between this and the traffic backups I keep hearing about, this project may face a good amount of opposition.
It's still so new, I need more time to figure out if it's a good choice. I'm glad there's a trial. Before making a final. Thank you

My main comment is we have much bigger issues than the cycling and walking on Portola. As a long time professional program manager, managing several projects at once the first thing you do is look at what will be the biggest gain for the effort. What will doing the project solve? Even if you spend little time on it - that is time away from solving the large problem that will change the city for the better. Please think like that.
You are ruining our town
We could not get in and out of shop driveways on Portola.
No.
Please don't do this
Thank you for taking aims to keep our cyclists safe!
Bad idea
Portola traffic flowed, now that it changed the traffic is so backed up. Pls change it back.
Slows traffic and is distracting while perhaps giving false Security to bicyclists
No
No
As a resident who has lived here for decades I would appreciate being informed, in advance, of such significant changes and the financial implications. It is reminiscent of the recent parking permit debacle and makes me wonder what the future holds.
What a waste of money. Everyone is confused and feels less safe, from what I hear.
Please remove this insane design. I saw 30+ cars stuck in traffic this week on portola and zero bikes.
Traffic is so bad in Santa Cruz, why are we adding more stress, time and pollution. 20 minutes sitting in a car that should have taken two
Take this shit down immediately!
keep up the good work! Portola Drive needs improvements because cars go too fast.
Stop sign at 36th long overdue. Should slow traffic down.
Why aren't you asking about the dramatic negative effect on vehicular traffic and the neighborhood. This is not an objective survey.
Thanks for undertaking this effort.
Do your job, Manu.
Please return Portola to 4 lanes. There is traffic now, east bound from 7/11 all the way to 38th ave. And West bound from 41st ave. to 38th ave. This might be the worst civil engineering design I have ever seen. Absolutely ridiculous.
This has created an absolute traffic nightmare. I live on the beach side of 38th and if I'm going home from 41st, I have now sat in bumper to bumper traffic from 41st to 38th. The traffic has never been this bad. I can't even imagine what summer/holidays will be like. I'm not avoiding the 41st/Portola intersection completely and going all the way down 38th. I know many other people doing the same. That's now just creating more traffic through those neighborhoods. All in all, terrible idea.
No
don't fix what "aint" broke
Stop wasting our tax dollars
Revert it back to 2 lanes but keep that stop sign and the separation of the bike lanes
The traffic was horrific with this new one lane installment. Really bad idea. The only good thing was the stop sign at 36th.
TEAR IT OUT
This sucks
The traffic congestion was terrible, terrible for the businesses who have outdoor dining along Portola and I saw no bicycles in the two hours I sat and had lunch and watched the traffic jams
The locals are not happy with the changes. The only part that people are in favor of is the new stop sign @ 36th Ave. Thanks
Put things back the way they were !!!!
Keep making santa cruz safer for our bikers and pedestrians!
The proposed changes will further congest the area making it a less desirable destination for locals and visitors alike. Decreasing traffic flow is not the answer to cyclist and pedestrian safety at Portola. Frustrated drivers are dangerous. A continued campaign of cooperation and respect for all who use the roads is best. How many more tax dollars can we afford to spend trying to protect people from themselves? Our roads were built as a means of travel. We have to stop limiting the ability of traffic to flow. This proposal is NOT the answer.
Change it back. This sucks
Don't fix what is not broken!
Please remove the temporary installations
After speaking with many people throughout the community I will truly be surprised if portola stays the way it is today. Nobody likes it, people are avoiding the businesses on 41st and even locals who have surfed the east side for decades have told me they would start surfing on the west side to avoid this atrocity.
I sure hope someone sees this because this was a mistake. Change it back
Don't mess with it. Causes confusion
I support safe cycling and agree that it should be expanded. I'm concerned about traffic and safety at 41st and Portola. Traffic is backing up at this intersection and is causing confusion with the drivers and pedestrians
Stupid
If you bring it all the way to 26th ave it will be almost impossible to turn left from 30th on to Portola
My breakfast this morning at suda was traffic filled with non stop honking. Not enjoyable.
This is a waste of money and really was not needed
No
It has created bad traffic, confusion

I think there is way too much emphasis in our county on bicycle lanes and not enough on making our roadways safer for the primary use, vehicles.
No
I'm glad that you are thinking and trying things but this is not working. The parking outside the bike lane is weird--I'm handicapped and having to get out of the driver's side near traffic would be VERY scary. (I didn't try it but I wouldn't want to.)
This is a waste of money.
Thanks for trying this. Its good for people to see what it would be like. Now try the no left turn solution above. Everyone but the folks who like left turns will be happy
People will avoid Portola Dr., putting more traffic on side roads.
No
Horrible idea for an already undrivable town. Great for recreation, but I still need to get home from work in this mess. The freeway is impacted, there is no rail/trail, and now you want to turn Portola in a traffic jam. I hate this. But, I bet the recreational riders from Mountain View on their \$3000 bicycles and spandex will love it - because they don't have to live with it everyday
This is unhelpful for traffic and is a poor use of street space
YES. TAKE IT AWAY
These changes will be disasterous, unwieldy, and unsafe for cars, pedestrian and bikes!!
please use all this wasted money to help needy human beings!!!
I bike a lot and have never felt unsafe, it's all about staying off your cellphone and staying aware of your surroundings. We have way to much traffic in the neighborhood already, especially during summer and has added on an extra 15 minutes to my drive home which is already an hour
While I agree in the long term that improvements to the corridor are necessary, the current iteration is having too great an impact on the flow of traffic. Impatient drivers are more likely to cause accidents, both among themselves and pedestrians/cyclists.
Since I live in the Pleasure Point neighborhood, I would be forced to use the "new event" if it became permanent. I certainly hope that it does not become permanent !!!
Whoever thought this one up needs to have their head examined! Seriously!
I'm glad to see anything being done and I am grateful. Thank you.
No
Make a safe walking and biking path on E. Cliff Drive between 12th Avenue and 7th Avenue before someone is killed and then it will have to become a memorial path. That area is much more dangerous than Portola.
This is really an outrage this would even be a idea
I would like to remind Manu that he is our supervisor, not the representative for special interest groups, such as Ecology Action and Bike Santa Cruz County.
No
Portola Dr. worked fine. When and where were the residents of the immediate area around Portola Dr. given a vote in the issue...? This change is not good for business on Portola Dr.! I have witnessed more rude and unsafe driving in the past few days since the changes have been painted in than in all the time before and I've lived in Pleasure Point for most of my life! Bad idea that has to end at the end of the trial!!
Glad people feel free to experiment, but this one didn't work out. Please put it back and ask for more reasonable and helpful changes.
This is not an improvement to traffic nor safety (except stop sign)
It's a great idea, but we have a larger issue that is traffic and this only makes our terrible traffic situation in Santa Cruz worse.
Not a bad idea in theory but this version needs a lot of work.
No
The traffic back up is a nightmare. A whole lane for a bicycle is not needed. I almost crashed into the barricades and there was angry drivers everywhere
Come on.. I'm happy that you tried.. but it's a fail! is t??hat all of the ideas you had .. I would like to see what you turned down!??
Don't make our congestion and traffic impossible. We live in the immediate area.
There's no need to fix what wasn't broken. Even more so by making it worse than before.
This was a horrible idea. Bikes need the rail trail.
This looks terrible. Walking and riding inside it was of no improvement. Driving became narrow and made no sense. Listen to those who use this space on the daily.
Don't do this to our community! It was fine before!!!! People want it taken down!!!
Do not make this a permanent set up on Portola seriously. You will see more car accidents for sure and this will be the cause behind it. It's already contributing to ton of traffic and confusion on the roads.
Please remove everything that has been temporarily installed. This has created more problems than it solves. Money spent on this would have been put to better use on our schools or helping the homeless
No
They're much better things in this county that that money could have been spent on
No
In think this is a solution looking for a problem. Portola is that dangerous of a street to walk or ride your bike on. I most dislike the road diet park of this project. You've made it difficult for the locals to get around unless we are in "one lane" congestion
Nope
Nope
This is making traffic a complete nightmare takes me double the time to get anywhere now I don't feel any safer on a bike

<p>Causing traffic which clogs all of our other streets to make one area "safer" is not a solution. How many commuters and daily drivers of the wide and direct route of Portola were forced to use other side streets because of this. How many more people drove down pleasure point dr or sped down 30th or 36th ave to avoid the traffic? Does that make the community safer? This is stupid. Remove it now.</p>
<p>when we walk or bike we use east cliff via pleasure point area because it is 100% safer</p>
<p>Please simply create more stop signs in this area. All of the changes made here are ineffective and counterproductive. We could use the funding for this idea in so many other areas that desperately need effective street improvements - as simple as repaving on Clares St. There are so many other examples of infrastructure improvements that would not require as much effort or funding and yield positive results.</p>
<p>Don't continue, it will destroy nearby family neighborhoods.</p>
<p>This was an awful idea that almost the entire local population is against</p>
<p>NA</p>
<p>I love the idea of a piloting this in theory, but I've seen quickly what it does to increase traffic on Portola and I hope that's part of evaluating the success of this effort. We should double down on optimizing the abandoned rail line for easy foot and bike traffic through town. Thanks!</p>
<p>Bad move...please see above...My guess is you don't live here</p>
<p>Please do not make these change is permanent. As stated early even this experiment is a disservice to this community.</p>
<p>Please do MORE of this. The roads are not just for cars but they're for everyone. I greatly appreciate what you have done, thank you very much!</p>
<p>We need to prioritize the safety of cyclists by protecting them from motor vehicles even if it means slowing down vehicle traffic. Perhaps slowing down motor vehicles will add to the population of cycling, as well. Double bonus!</p>
<p>I have no choice but to use it as I live off of 38th ave.</p>
<p>No</p>
<p>No</p>
<p>Why</p>
<p>This is a confusing mess, waste of time and money, and just make it more congested during the summer.</p>
<p>I appreciate the effort.</p>
<p>Pesestrians need more improvements and protection from wians.drians I do not want to sit or eat in lanes that are createdd for car heeled vehicles suchas bikes skateboards and one wheeled skateboards that go at high speeds on sidewalks and other places that once were reserved for pedest</p>
<p>no.</p>
<p>The whole thing is stupid. The only thing I like is the 4 way stop signs at my street.. 36th Avenue</p>
<p>Stop wasting tax payer dollars on stupid projects like this. First the river street sign and now this. Why don't you use the money for something that is actually needed. Maybe improving roads or housing for the homeless?</p>
<p>Maybe we can start holding cyclists responsible for some of their own safety too instead of disrupting one of the only nice strips of an overcrowded part of tourist awtown.</p>
<p>no</p>
<p>Business have suffered enough during covid. dont make it worse. please remove.</p>
<p>Really tough on local businesses and residents. No one seems to like it</p>
<p>Maybe make the turn only lanes a lane to go straight and or turn. I think the idea is good but the layout is horrendous.</p>
<p>Make it permanent. Do not listen to people who are opposed because Complete Streets is required by State Law: Assembly Bill 1358</p>
<p>Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the survey. I hope you are observing traffic on the weekends especially around 2: 30 to 5 pm.</p>
<p>Yes there is now a backup on Portola in both directions, especially heading West away from capitola. This is creating frustrated dangerous drivers</p>
<p>This slow traffic is pushing more people through the neighborhood, and peopl drive too fast, and the neighborhoods don't have sidewalks or official bike lanes. The traffic needs to keep moving on Portla</p>
<p>No</p>
<p>Please take this out. This is a recipe for disaster.</p>
<p>It took away from public parking. Locals were unaware of the new change. Driver can not keep a safe distance from the bike lane as before you could. No one really use it.</p>
<p>The purple waves will not hold up to weather and wear</p>
<p>Please make it temporary. This is not a good idea too much visually and more of a distraction</p>
<p>Please do not keep this horribly designed and unnavigatable waste of money and materials on Portola. invest in better visability in the evening, better lighted crosswalks for pedestrians and better painted bike lanes. most bikers prefer to use East Cliff anyway. in all my 50 years living in Pleasure Point, I see only a handful of bicylists on any given day... but there are many cars who have no choice to use this road to get from point A to point B. If you keep this horrible "improvement", more people will choose to use East Cliff to navigate along our area, only decreasing the safety of our coastline. please do not make this permanent.</p>
<p>Portola drive was just fine the way it was.</p>
<p>No</p>
<p>Bike safety is important. This will not help. Only congrats a congested area in summer tourist time.</p>
<p>less walking and bicycle use than before</p>
<p>No</p>

It is embarrassing that we spend our money on something like this when we all no how many more people are living in area , so let's cram down a major road to one lane . Get real . There is many other options to get to anything on Portola that has very few if any people driving on it .
It was just a bad idea
Focus on tail trail, either rail and trail or just trail...just get it done and don't get distracted
More education about project.
MUCH SAFER for the 41st and 38 intersections on foot or bike. Flashing crosswalk signals and information on not going through a crosswalk when there is a pedestrian present might also help. Those two intersections are awful. Been nearly hit, multiple times in the past.
Focus on fixing potholes in the road!! Especially on 41rst, there's no need to add these extra wide bike lanes, if you want to do something for the bikers fix up the run down train tracks to be bike trails! Getting across town would be way easier for the bikers if you focused on that instead
Who designed this ? Are they bikers? Thanks but no thanks
Please take it down. There are no businesses in that area that will Benefit from this. I am not a fan of the structure of this survey. Please do not move forward with this traffic causing design. Thanks The following question have no bearing on the above questions. Why does my age, race etc have anything to do with this survey. Come on man!!!
gave em. what happened to doing illustrations and asking people if they like the idea before spending the money and paying workers to do a bad job?
keeping the bike lane barrier
Yes please for the love of god do not make it permanent
thumbs down definately. Everyone that I spoke to that lives on portola drive hates it. Take a hint !!!!
I love walking and biking but this set up is just weird not a designed well for all three uses (cars, bikes and pedestrians). Pedestrians already have a sidewalk. Like all big cities with two lanes (go live in CO or MN) the bright green lanes have right of way, but still have two lanes to deal with the flow of traffic. If you want adoption to this project, simple is better. The parking spots are ridiculous. Plus, if you live in pleasure point as I do, this is not helping the neighborhood at all. This residential place does not need more insanity, it needs less. Think about the people who live here, not the tourists. I don't think anyone cares about this neighborhood being calm and quiet, they just care about tourists or people who don't live here. Thank you for offering a place for me to express my viewpoint.
The removal of the 2nd lane and addition of left turn lanes instead increases traffic 10 fold. Terrible planning and completely unnecessary. Left turns are so so easy without that.
Put the money towards the rail trail or a better bike trail than making dangerous conditions on a road that doesn't need changes. Adding to lots more traffic and that area is already becoming more crowded. This is not helping
Put it back the way it was. This is a useless pain,
Stick to what you are qualified to do and take your grant money elsewhere.
Can we just do the railroad bike trail already?! What happened with the traffic circle installation?
The parking and traffic speed should be a priority for safety of pedestrians and cyclists.
No
No
Thank you!!!so overdue.
See above
The parking spaces make no sense because now people can park in front of restaurants.
What a waste of money, and an eye sore
No
You should come out & take a look at the actual traffic & see how the demonstration event is working (or not working, in this case) in real time. If you were to interview people right then & there, you may find that residents & tourists find it more of a distraction than is productive. I like the concept of what you're attempting to accomplish but it's poorly designed & executed.
it should have stayed the way it was.
Terrible execution.
Bad idea not thought out well have any city planners actually driven it themselves
Maybe hire people with experience in city planning next time ?
Kick all homeless out and go Figure something out for our vets. Also go shut the bars down
Thanks for making our community safer for all road users.
no
Poor solution. Poor execution. Heavily traveled road that is NOT a destination . It's not a walking street and it's barely a biking street. There is no beginning nor end as a trail or path and the location makes no sense. Certainly biking to Capitola makes no sense, very few bikers ever in Capitola and I used to live on Cliff which is the road that drops into the town. Coming up the hill from Twin Lakes is a bike riding disaster, narrow and competing for space with walkers/joggers, the bikes are always cutting out into traffic to go around them forcing drivers to slam on brakes as the bikers feel it's OK to just pull out to go around at will. Feels like this is an agenda searching for a location and not solution to an existing problem
Good intentions but seems as it's pushed by the bicycle people but not considering all of the needs. The development of the Lower side of 41st became a success but also has led to traffic issues in a town that can't sustain the idea of closing roads for walking and biking. Making East Cliff one way has led towards more neighborhood traffic as well. Stop trying to make this town what it isn't. As a 60 year local all the growth has caused cafés for the elite while difficulties for the locals.
fuck you
No
One lane traffic is ridiculous. Stop this nonsense now!

I'm very glad to hear this is a test and not permanent. Please remove ASAP so it doesn't impact residents negatively during the summer tourist traffic.
Please remove this pop up!
The new portola situation is probably the most poorly thought out change I've seen in Santa Cruz in a long time. It's gotta go.
Consider roundabout instead
They look cheap and I don't understand the need for them. Were there accidents because people suck at driving that bad? Do they prevent parking on the side of the road or mail truck access?
Thanks for the forward thinking and action - I do appreciate the efforts for sure!
Santa Cruz traffic is already bad, & this new change has made it worse. I bike to work on 41st at portola, & this new system has only confused me.
I understand changes being made for safety or to assist with the flow of traffic but if anything this had made both of those things worse. The white dividers and narrowing of lanes make everything feel more closed in. The drive up mail box is blocked off. The colors of street paint don't match the existing paint (maybe that's cause it's temporary, I don't know.) Traffic further down Portola has only gotten worse instead of better. The purple squiggles on the corners just look ugly.
No
Who ever had this idea should be dragged out back and hit over the head with a lead pipe
As immature as it is, People are pretty angry, so just be aware that if made permanent, it will probably get vandalized or not taken seriously...
No
No
Please redesign this change. Widen the bike/walk lanes and fix sidewalks. Stay consistent with other areas in Santa Cruz and Capitola by creating green lanes. This will allow drivers to understand the concept of bike lanes. Right now it is confusing, messy, and dangerous for drivers and pedestrians. I thought we are striving to beautify the Pleasure point community to allow for a graceful mix tourism and localism. This change does nothing to unify the people in this community nor represent quality design.
Take it out
You're trying to fix a problem that doesn't exist. I ride my bike on Portola all the time, and it's fine. I also need to drive on Portola, and thats now a nightmare. You're thinking in a binary. That people either only ride bikes or drive cars. People do both. Sometime you NEED a car. Don't make it worse.
Stripe and identify lanes and cross walks that follow the guidelines currently being used in the city.
Because Portola is main connector between SC and Capitola, narrowing the lanes causes greater congestion and decreases my desire to access the businesses on it by foot or car. It is also driving more traffic to side streets and east cliff and pleasure point which is increasingly congested. Please remove temporary installation.
Portola is a major thoroughfare to Capitols. Cutting it's capacity by half does not seem to make much sense -- especially in the busy, summer season
Please take it down asap.
Please change jt back
If it ain't broke, don't fix it.
nope
Please do not move forward on this project.
Take it down
NA
No
Please remove it! It's a nice sentiment to improve pedestrian and biker safety/comfort, but as someone who has lived in the area for over 12 years, the new set up does not make me more comfortable as a biker/pedestrian nor as a driver.
The language used here to describe the experience as a "demonstration" and as an "instillation" lead the user to think this project is more about the art and not about safety or future efficiency. I appreciate the effort being made to make places of our county safer for all who use them.
Please don't create yet another traffic congestion site in Santa Cruz
The barriers block the fire lane access, it would be dangerous if there were any kind of fire for traffic and evacuations.
I have walked & driven at this site as a resident who is impacted by the changes.
Bummed this was installed right before summer when we are already expecting mass about maybe of tourism and traffic.. horrible timing.
GET RID OF THE CHANGE
Appreciate the time you guys put into it but for the money we could have been not removing homeless and getting food and water and help to those folks..
Nope
No
Do not make the changes it us horrible for the community can't get home or to store in a timely fashion due to all this unnecessary traffic
See above
Just remove it all.
Please revert the changes made back to the original street layout. Don't fix what ain't broken

<p>The money should have been spent to fix a dangerous street like Mission St., that has bikers and pedestrian killed every year. I think flashing crosswalks would be a nice addition to Portola. To me this was someone's idea who doesn't know Live Oak area or what the locals want. You see how much the locals liked your changes. The posted signs to honk it you don't like it. Then people removed it all in the middle of the night. That is a big clue how we feel about these poor planned out ideas. I also have three kids in school, but none of these schools are even listed on the next question.</p>
<p>Please put something real, protective and permanent in the rail corridor. Not this narrow path currently costing way too much to implement.</p>
<p>Change it back</p>
<p>No</p>
<p>worse idea ever. traffic is even worse. business will be hugely affected by this change as people will avoid the area all together</p>
<p>Don't make it permanent</p>
<p>I never had a problem bicycling or walking at that Portola Avenue area , but any improvements to the bicycling experience is welcomed. I am more eager to see progress on the rail trail or the bike/pedestrian freeway overcrossings at Chanticleer and Mar Vista, that were promised years ago. Also 38th Ave, from Portola to Brommer lacks bike lane markings. I don't know if you can fix that, but that would be a nice addition.</p>
<p>Thanks so much for supporting the bicyclists in our community. Sorry you have to hear all the negative comments by the stressed out car drivers who complain of having to drive a bit slower in one lane to save bicyclists' lives. Anytime there is a road diet, of reduced traffic from two lanes to one, the stressed out car drivers always complain. They use all sorts of excuses to get rid of road diets... no parking, not enough parking, have to walk a few extra feet, have to go the speed limit, God forbid. Thanks again for helping walkers and bicyclists stay safe in a crazy, manic, and stressful car-driven world.</p>
<p>This is unnecessary and creates a way bigger problem than the one you guys are trying to "fix". No one likes it, it's annoying and frustrating for the people who use portola every day.</p>
<p>Whoever designed this should not be allowed to ever design anything again.</p>
<p>When we already have bike lanes on East cliff and more proposed bike lanes on the trail/rail, this idiocy is a waste of money, is so obviously self serving for a small advocacy radicals, that it is an embarrassment to Manu. This is another assault on the actual residence of Pleasure Point and mass of auto commuters that use this road to avoid Hwy 1. Actually, having been caught up in the traffic backup, I turn down/avoid and get on East Cliff . Forces you into the neighbor hoods. Oh that's helpful.</p>
<p>No</p>
<p>The dividers between the bike and car lanes should be used on E. Cliff drive on the stretch of road between Schwaan Lagoon and Twin Lakes beach from 7th ave. to 12th ave. Pedestrian and cyclist safety is a huge problem there and on the weekends many people park IN the bike lanes.</p>
<p>I hope this isn't permanent, as it really is a stressful area to drive through now.</p>
<p>Nope</p>
<p>Yeah find a different way to do this it's too distracting and makes no sense makes more traffic and an area that doesn't need more traffic</p>
<p>Get rid of it.</p>
<p>It's even more confusing than it is to just watch for walkers or bikers!!!</p>
<p>Terrible traffic jam. Terrible parking. Take them down</p>
<p>No</p>
<p>I will avoid the area as long as the demonstration event is in place.</p>
<p>no</p>
<p>I'm for beautification and bike safety , but that is too many changes at once and it caused traffic now and is making it impossible for people to get to the businesses across the street</p>
<p>The whole thing is ill thought out and ineffective. People will get hurt with the changes made.</p>
<p>This has created a problem with traffic. I appreciate the effort but it's not working.</p>
<p>-</p>
<p>Expensive project when we can easily learn from other cities in Europe or Canada as to what works and what has not.</p>
<p>Please put it back. I honestly almost wrecked today navigating it for the first time. The small left lane turning into the right lane constantly? What in the heck is the point of that? It's awful!</p>
<p>Bad impact on motor traffic. Will just have to go up to Brommer, which is a residential street. Bound to jam motor traffic at a cost much greater than the increased usage by bicycles.</p>
<p>It's horrible. get rid of it.</p>
<p>PLEASE LEAVE IT THE WAY IT WAS.</p>
<p>Yes, we need some controlling of the stop signs and intersections all along portola were many drivers ignore and speed through stop signs</p>
<p>Look, I'm all for making portola better and more walkable and bikeable. This isn't working though. The Stop sign at 36th Ave is great. I'm all for the bike path as well. The parking along portola and the turning lane that made both ways on Portola into 1 lane each, isn't working. Traffic is 10x worse, it's confusing, and frustrating. Let's find a new solution</p>
<p>No</p>
<p>Think my opinion has been made clear. Portola is the equivalent of mission st to the east side, would love for you to try and pull this mess along mission st!</p>
<p>No</p>
<p>I have lived in the neighborhood of this installment for over 20 years. I walked my daughter in her stroller when she was little and now walk my dog daily to East Cliff and back. Any safety measures for cyclists and pedestrian is needed and long overdue. We were thrilled when the crossing light was installed last year, but quite frankly it is not enough.</p>
<p>Look at examples of other cities worldwide with safer road designs. Again, a more qualified design team will follow good examples.</p>

Please don't get offended by all of the negative comments, they will come from folks who couldn't be bothered to participate in 2018-19
Would like to see it extended further west on Portola. Do not need all those lanes. Do need parking. As long as there are left two lanes at a stop sign turning into one lane after the stop, we're good.
No
End this BS trial of stupid people making unnecessary changes to roads. Such a waste of time and money.
This project is HORRIBLE! It has created way more of a back up on Portola and it's actually not safe. I saw someone in the turn lane almost cause an accident because they swerved into the lane of straight traffic because they didn't want to turn.. It is causing way more confusion and is unsafe in my opinion. Too many distractions with all the barriers. Traffic needs to flow on Portola.. that's not the case anymore. Such a waste of money and people's time..
No
Put the effort and money into the rail trail and stop jerking Santa Cruzans around
Idiotic planning causing more traffic and danger
N/a
This was not well thought out. This town is busy, its expanding and full of visitors.. making streets more narrow is beyond ridiculous
It's really hard to work there (my office is 37th and portola) as now driving in and out is challenging and traffic is beyond horrible
No
Stop wasting \$\$\$\$
Remove it all
I think that this project should have never taken place to begin with. It is a waste of money and is in no way any type of improvement. It has made traffic worse and more unsafe especially during commute hours. The purple design is hideous and makes no sense being so far out in the roadway. They look like it could be some type of road marker and is extremely confusing. The large orange cones and white curved dividers are an obstruction to the vision of bicycles and pedestrians they are supposed to protect. Every morning for the last 4 days that I have driven Porto last on the way to work the dividers have been either mangled or completely knocked over. It makes no sense to waste money on maintaining these things every single day when absolutely no problem existed before. Since the installation has also been the worst traffic that I have ever experience on portolanguage. Never have I seen a backed up line of traffic from 41st ave to the 7-11. It is absolutely insane how much worse the installation has caused traffic to become. This surely will not make biking any safer as many bikers disregard use of the designated lane and choose to ride in the diving lane along with way more traffic and confused drivers.
None
Remove these before end of June
Use the money to repair our terrible roads and build a bike path on the rail trail.
i truly believe this causes more danger and damage to the city and it's people.
When this idea was proposed in 2007, eastcliff was not the bike friendly path it is now. A safe bike path already exists. If another is needed let's use the train rail. This is causing way to much congestion in the neighborhoods. What about a round about at Portolanand 41st?
It took 22 minutes to navigate from 36th Avenue to 41st Avenue in the afternoon.
GET RID OF THIS IDEA a nightmare
I dont feel this is necessary and it causes increased traffic through the area
This ain't the one, chief.
The perpendicular parking lanes will not work. You are blocking the post box with the bike barriers.
please remove it
No
I'm a long time resident in pleasure point and I enjoy not having big city traffic and needless congestion. This road diet chokes the main road and now drivers are speeding down side streets , like 38th to get around it
Yeah, this was fucking awful deaign. As a bicyclist, mother and long time local, it's the dumbest "safety" feature I've ever seen. It will for sure cause more car accidents and be confusing to bicyclists.
Remove it!!! Traffic is terrible!!!! Traffic was already tough in Santa Cruz in the summer SO you TAKE a lane away????????? Not good people
You're doing amazing work!! I've heard that some residents haven't been patient or gracious with this process. Just want you to know that many of us appreciate all that you're doing to make a neighborhoods safer for everyone and to encourage us to bike/walk.
I'm not sure what all the fuss is about. I heard the local residents had plenty of chances to voice their thoughts on this Pop Up.
Involve the people who live in this neighborhood
Return to normal!
it's a traffic nightmare
No
Change it back
The changes suck
This was a garbage idea. Terrible. Keep your focus on the railroad and connect the entire county while keeping bikes OFF of the ROADS. Keep our community safe and provide value back to the citizens of SC county. Condensing lanes in pleasure point is the worst idea ever.
While I understand the objective of this project, it has severely missed the mark. As an avid cyclist and pleasure point resident, I appreciate the attempt to better our neighborhood. However, this has resulted in heavy traffic at all times of the day, which leads to unsafe driving from aggressive drivers. I believe this will lead to more accidents and heavier traffic than previously before.
The new bike lanes are dangerous to bicyclists and drivers
No
No

Reverse this and make it normal Again
Please take it all out, thank you
Please don't do this to Portola. There's a gorgeous, dedicated bike lane one street over... with an ocean view!!
You have Easter time and money on a project that was not even asked for. What a waste for Santa Cruz county. You are making this town worse.
There is a bike path a block away. This is not needed and very dangerous
Who thought taking 2 lanes in to 1 would be a good idea? Cars are bumper to bumper and it is horrible.
Portola is a wide street to begin with. I have never felt unsafe walking or bicycling there, but this installation feel unsafe in the car. There are probably places where it IS unsafe to walk and bicycle, but this is not one of them.
I worked in sustainability for years, please don't use the term "sustainability" as an excuse for a project that made more traffic and parking in an already very bike and walk friendly community.
You have annoyed everyone in the pleasure point and live Oak community with this ill thought out creation
Portola should not be one lane ever
No
Remove forever
Like the new stop at 36th & Portola. Would LOVE another stop sign at 30th & Portola...such a dicey intersection.
Please make citizens happy and take it down
Please remove it. The traffic is horrible. It makes the street significantly worse.
No
Please rethink this plan to add a left turn lane on that section of Portola. Traffic is already often clogged there and this makes it so much worse.
Just paint well marked bike lanes and leave the rest slone
Please absolutely do not make this a permanent thing. It's so irresponsible for you to not understand the impact this has on the local community. This does not make pedestrians or bicycles more visible, and any physical harm you are trying to avoid on one of the busiest streets in town is now diverted into small streets that are people's homes. I understand you were trying to do good, but you all really missed the mark here.
Please don't implement this
With the amount of disrespectful/entitled pedestrians/bicyclists that do not follow road rules just adds to the amount of car traffic on the streets. Little kids do not need to be riding bikes on city streets if they need a whole car lane of traffic. Go to schools or neighborhoods that are actually meant for children
English is the official language of the U.S. and you should not be putting Spanish text alongside. If you really feel like enabling the Spanish speaking to continue to not learn the language of the country they are living in then have a separate survey they can go to with Spanish. Ridiculous.
Awful.
Take it down please
Did cat and cloud pay to have this installed in order to boost their business? That seems like the only entity that will benefit from this
Make the train corridor operational to give bikes a way to get across town
Yes, remove it. It's unattractive, useless, and accident prone.
Please remove this. It's a horribly planned idea.
None
No comment
Great initiative. Leading by example.
No
I would be happy to provide some constructive feedback from my design background. I have done a number of projects that have been community lead. I am open to help in some capacity. Feel free to email or call me. Hi@tlanecreates.com 310-846-7563
No one is talking about anything but what a complete mess this is in our neighborhood. Please change back!
This project missed the mark; it was abrasive and not well-planned. Simple additions of green bike paths and a temporary stop sign at 36th Avenue would've been digestible. This trial is as ill-conceived and poorly executed.
Continue making bike and pedestrian paths safer, it is important but I don't think this made them safer unfortunately.
Was there anything that went out to the surrounding neighborhoods before this demonstration happened??? I live in the area and do not recall getting any input on the event. I think I would have been more receptacle if I knew what to expect. I think why there is a considerable amount of backlash on this is because it is a matter of disproportionate expectations.
You're not going to stop people from driving their cars. Work on making the bike lanes safer without reducing lanes for cars.
Quit wasting tax payer money on projects that negatively impact the community. You'll not only cause more congestion on Portola, but Capitala Rd and Soquel. We need more traffic flow, not less. We have a bike path for bikes and pedestrians. We have hiking trails and beaches. Let the roads operate at there optimum potential and flow the traffic freely instead of causing unnecessary bottlenecks.
See 16
No
No
Turn it back to the way it was Who ever designed this wasn't a bike rider
no
Why? Just why? Protected crosswalks and well marked bike lanes are enough. Making the left lane left turn only is a really bad idea, encourages abrupt lane changes, and really confusing to drivers, distracting them from pedestrians and bicyclists.
Just no, this is more dangerous for all
Don't make this "Experiment" permanent

<p>this "improvement" is not better at all. more traffic, more confused drivers means less bike safety! maybe if the bikers of SC county actually followed the traffic laws, this would've never been necessary.</p>
<p>Just that we need more stop signs to slow drivers down, stop people from using Portola as a freeway. Keep the barriers. The parking on the road isn't needed.</p>
<p>The idea is not necessarily bad but the execution seemed rushed, Santa Cruz has great artist for the love of god use them! And change the purple design it looks like an Easter egg. It's a beach town make it beach themed at least</p>
<p>No</p>
<p>Keep it simple, this is very confusing for entire community.</p>
<p>No</p>
<p>Honestly I think this is a really bad and dumb idea. As a local who uses that section of Portola on a regular basis I find the changes really frustrating. You are causing a big slowdown in that part of town, causing road rage and fostering feelings of ill will from drivers to cyclers/pedestrians, and I don't think you're effecting a lot of change. Have you run the numbers on how many drivers vs. pedestrians/cyclers you're affecting? I'm pretty sure you're disproportionately affecting far more drivers. Please, please do not make this permanent.</p>
<p>Who dreamt up that crazy design</p>
<p>It wasn't broken so why did you mess it up?</p>
<p>The whole project was poorly designed. The bottle necks you're creating for cars by far offset anything you might soon as a positive although I don't see much good here. Please change it back.</p>
<p>The amount of traffic is insane, the businesses around the are must be tires of everyone honking because we all disagree</p>
<p>Traffic is already heavy on Portola. You've created a monster for summer traffic making it more dangerous for pedestrians, drivers and cyclists</p>
<p>Take it down</p>
<p>Worst idea ever ruining my business</p>
<p>No</p>
<p>Why? Who decided this was needed? Worst construction project I have witnessed in my 43 years in Santa Cruz because it makes zero sense.</p>
<p>No</p>
<p>Disrupting car traffic to add bike lanes for a road is not heavily biked is just a waste of tax payer \$\$\$. Who is responsible for this that person needs to be fired. As a biker the railing is annoying. It makes it so we can't pass slower bikers. I also feel it's a hazard for some bikers as well that may hit it and crash</p>
<p>Do not make this permanent. Listen to the unhappy people who actually live here</p>
<p>Not waste the taxpayers money on similar demonstrations</p>
<p>Who's bright idea was this? They're should be consequences to this groups actions. Stop please with this nonsense</p>
<p>We hate it.</p>
<p>Please see my above comments. A no vote from me, a 23 year resident</p>
<p>Find a better way. Encourage people to ride the bus. Teach free bicycle safety classes to motorists and bicyclists. I'm not a city planner but I spend enough time on the road to know what doesn't work. Thank you for the chance to give my input.</p>
<p>Portola is a speedway and something has to change. 30th Avenue is close to impossible to cross during rush hours. I don't think this change has effected traffic as far as back ups. I travel Portola everyday, several times a day. I live at the Point and it's my way out of the neighborhood. I am grateful that someone is doing something. Nothing is perfect and we will always have complainers.</p>
<p>This is amazing I hope more happen around the city.</p>
<p>I participated in the 2018 clinics at Del Mar School. There were other plans suggested/presented by participants that I liked better.</p>
<p>No</p>
<p>Return Portola to its original layout</p>
<p>I appreciate this effort and hope whatever happens going forward will be informed by community input and consider all kinds of traffic that happen on Portola: pedestrian, bike and car.</p>
<p>this has been a congestion free area, it creates unnecessary back up</p>
<p>quit confusion people with so many signs and ledgens and go back to basics. the more you add the more problems you make</p>
<p>Rail Trail. Put in the bike path now, and let them figure out the rail as we go. Don't mess with the infrastructure of Portola. Making it a two lane street is unfeasable.</p>
<p>Nope</p>
<p>no</p>
<p>I think it is a good idea except reducing the 2 lanes to 1. It's causing too much traffic and it's too slow</p>
<p>Don't attempt to turn Santa Cruz into silicone valley</p>
<p>I do fully support protected bike lanes and love the professional green painted areas. This just looks like it wasn't done with planning, engineering, or input. It's a sad day when we have to take the time to complain about "improvements" to bike lanes. It really should not be that hard.</p>
<p>This is a horrible idea. There are already clearly marked bike lanes on Portola. Adding traffic congestion makes no sense whatsoever.</p>
<p>no</p>
<p>make left turn lanes, straight and left turn</p>
<p>This is a terrible idea. The last easy thoroughfare is now bumper to bumper. And don't start in on bike riding. I myself don't have the mobility to bicycle I just hate this project.</p>
<p>No</p>

<p>please, do santa cruz a favor, leave the new stop sign but take away the stupid bike things and give us back our lanes. they are UNECESSARY, cause WAY TOO MUCH traffic, all for a stupid unnecessary 30 foot wide bike lane. give us back our lane or else east side santa cruz will not be happy</p>
<p>Because I use this area in all three transportation methods (walk my dog, bike to yoga, drive to work), my input should be valuable as I don't have a single driving preference of one type. I do all three every single day of the week.</p>
<p>Poorly designed and poorly implemented. The traffic lane choke points that now are present increase driving time through this section of Portola drive and increase risk of accidents between cars and pedestrians/bicyclists.</p>
<p>People not liking the demonstration are really angry. Maybe I missed it, but the changes were a bit surprising and seemed completely unannounced yes, take it down.</p>
<p>Please put it back to normal this change creates more traffic and is useless</p>
<p>Remove it and put it back the way it was</p>
<p>Horrible</p>
<p>Good experiment, but I believe the more conventional marking/pylon is more effective (see Water Street).</p>
<p>Worst implementation ever</p>
<p>Whoever thought this up obviously has too much time on their hands.</p>
<p>Please at least give us 2 lanes back! The traffic is ridiculous!!!</p>
<p>The event looked and felt like a failed 4th grade science experiment.</p>
<p>This is incredibly inconvenient and ruined Portola</p>
<p>why didn't whoever did this project ask for community input? Everyone is pissed off now and it sure seems like this was done by a very small bike coalition rather than a community driven thing.</p>
<p>Please just put in a roundabout or similar.</p>
<p>I'm not opposed to using parking to protect pedestrians and cyclists, and to add more biking space, but the area was fine before, and this is just a mess, with people making dangerous merging and unmerging moves for no reason. Portola is not the best space for this kind of thing. It also added about 5 minutes to my drive because the bottleneck backed up traffic from the 7-eleven all the way to 41st avenue. That times the 20 or 25 other cars is a lot of wasted time and fuel.</p>
<p>No</p>
<p>please we all beg, remove everything</p>
<p>This is a disaster, causing confusion and likely more dangerous.</p>
<p>Thank you for hosting this survey. I understand the motivation for this project is well intentioned and I really appreciate the efforts, but this current installation is really missing the mark.</p>
<p>Portola is a great street for cycling. Well marked bike lanes on both sides. Just freshen them up and get rid of the I'll conceived experiment.</p>
<p>Abive</p>
<p>Stop sign at 36th and Portola makes sense</p>
<p>No, thanks</p>
<p>it's also backing up traffic on 41st ave turning north on Portola. Santa Cruz does not need MORE congestion problems</p>
<p>Please don't make this permanent- it makes our town more trashy looking. Keep the green lines for the bike lane.</p>
<p>This is a horrible project despite it's well-intentioned origins. The desire to cater to bicycle and pedestrian needs has completely forsaken the reality of how people get around on Portola dr. Absolutely horrible results as someone who works and travels daily on this stretch of Portola Dr. What a bummer!</p>
<p>Take your tech money and go back to San Jose. Keep Santa Cruz weird and blue collar</p>
<p>I hope they take it away before some crashes at night</p>
<p>Please don't do this again. Traffic is already insufferable in Santa Cruz and Capitola. These sorts of modifications serve to both make it worse and make accessing the businesses along this route more difficult</p>
<p>Take it down. The neighborhood looks like a joke.</p>
<p>I would like to see additional speed bumps and stop signs, I feel they are more helpful to driver awareness overall for both bikers and walkers.</p>
<p>The project on Portola Drive is not positive</p>
<p>no</p>
<p>This made traffic a whole lot worse and driving more dangerous, which also endangers pedestrians</p>
<p>Get the homeless encampments out of here. Let the police do their job. Don't make traffic worse than it already is!!!</p>
<p>Being born and raised here, I have watched a lot of money wasted on bullshit ideas. I respect you want pedestrians to feel safer, but this is not the solution. You could update and widen the exciting sidewalks. I can tell you right now, no one will follow these new lanes, and those white wavy barriers will be taken out by cars and baseball bats at night</p>
<p>Terrible planning and not acceptable don't keep this situation this way</p>
<p>We need Portola to go back to the original way. No need for these horrible changes. My car was almost hit by other cars from the loss of car lanes i hope this is not going to happen it's very unproductive and makes no sense at all and traffic will be a nightmare</p>

<p>1. Was there any effort to examine and use County Public Works Vehicular traffic counts for data which would determine what levels of service deterioration could be expected from these "improvements". 2. Has the County Board of Supervisors taken any official actions which would authorize this kind of experiment and what specific design professionals have been involved in its development and implementation? 3. Question number 15 provides inadequate options for responses. As a resident of 35th Avenue I have almost no choice but to use these streets in my daily activities. 4. Inadequate attention to those of us who live in the area and need to use Portola Drive for daily access to our homes means that whether I like it or not we will be using these streets. 5. I am a senior and cannot use a bicycle to get around. This design will significantly complicate my daily activities such as shopping for groceries, attending medical appointments, and moving through the area to conduct life's countless errands. 6. Simply removing street parking along Portola drive would easily allow more space for bicycles when and if it is needed. 7. It should also be noted that bike lanes and sidewalks already exist along this street and these are the result of county funded improvements. 8. This looks more like a solution looking for a problem. Public money would be better spent expanding bike lanes and pedestrian walks along the eastern stretch of Portola on the other side of the 41st Avenue intersection. Was this survey prepared by SC county public works or was it prepared by Ecology Action as proponents of these "improvements"?</p>
Keep it 2 lanes of traffic
Put it back.
Please keep it the way it was
There was nothing wrong with the way it was before. I grew up on 38th ave and road my bike to work, surf, and beach for 27 years of my life and never have I had or any of my friends I grew up with have a problem with that area.
Please get rid of it
Please return this to normal, the four way stop on 36th isn't terrible. As long as there are no designated turn lanes on Portola
If you really wanted to make portolla safer, you could put a light at the intersection of portolla and 41st. Those stop signs are very unsafe for how busy the intersection is
Quit trying. Honestly, you are so far off, so detached from reality. You are like all Leftists, thinking you know what is best for everyone else and you couldn't be more wrong.
Please take down sooner than later. Parents with newborns and toddlers are not going to be using these bike lanes to go shopping, school, etc.
This created traffic jams and dangerous situations
Make it absolutely clear why this change is necessary and get the neighborhood residents's opinion.
An irresponsible cost.
Please, just understand that we need more room for cars, not people. Perhaps we could make the crosswalks more visible but tearing out a whole lane of traffic will cause backups all over the area
PLEASE REMOVE this travesty. Someone is going to get hurt because of the bike lane barriers.
I think I've said it all.
Seriously, who ever set this up and planned it just things things worse! Fired!!!
take them down
this is one of the main ways to cross through town and it will cause more congestion and a real hinderance to the businesses that don't need the extra parking. There is plenty of parking already available.
I have lived in Santa Cruz my entire life and have lived on East Cliff in Live Oak for over 20 years. I drive Portola every day to/from work and my son rides his bike to/from school on Portola every day. It is no longer safe for him to do so with current changes. As it is, the visual obstructions make it difficult to clearly see bicyclists. The priority of our town is always on tourism and the businesses that depend on it. We neglect other sectors of the populace. Why are there no improvements to bike lanes on East Cliff where it stretches through midtown and Live Oak? Follow the money. Not all of us are on vacation. The struggle is real.
go back to the way it is the bicyclist are the problem no light and they do not stop at the stop signs
NA
No
No
Also, horrible time of year to do this during the height of our tourist season.
No
the big problem now remains at 41st & Portola, where there are many popular restaurants and bars. The drivers at the 4-way stop tend to fail to identify who should have the right-of-way, leading to frustration and road rage, with a frustrated driver often lurching out into the intersection. That's the danger: the drivers are focused on each other, while the pedestrians are drunk and/or partying and/or children. That's why the danger of a driver hitting a pedestrian is so alarming and so frequently leads to close calls. Beyond that, the sheer volume of pedestrian traffic is so extreme on weekends and hot weekdays that drivers become frustrated and angry even before they get to the first stop in each lane and have to start trying to assess who (among drivers) has the right-of-way. A light would stop drivers from killing or injuring pedestrians as well as stopping never-ending pedestrian traffic from making life miserable for drivers.
I'm so sorry people are being so hateful and just plain awful. My family feels like the road is safer because it's all slowed down. Portola is treated like a highway by drivers and as a resident who crosses Portola everyday I feel much more secure.
I hope to see it go.
I really appreciate everybody's efforts in trying out this pop-up. The team made it look nice with their colorful paint and pleasant looking barriers.
Not at this time
Would really like to know what this fiasco cost.
Again, I appreciate the reasoning behind this, but it's not helpful.
Please the drive home sucks now

Have the person or persons go on the news and "sell" the need for this project with their names and take full credit and responsibility for it
Very poor job. Reeks of special interests.
Noted above. Please remove this it is confusing I didn't know where to look it felt dangerous
Bike barriers, new stop signs and pedestrian barriers are great, but less lanes only cause confusion and frustration.
I appreciate trying to make the roads safer for everyone, but all the barriers, colors, changes without signage, etc make it visually distracting
Small groups of outsiders should mind there own and let the residents of that area make decisions.
The county should look at the intersection at Portola and 41st before making changes to this stretch of road.
HORRIBLE idea and makes for the worst traffic EVER and less visibility because cars just stuck there!!!
Nope
Get rid of it please
Truly one of the worst design options I've ever seen or felt with.
No
As a pedestrian on Portola Drive, between 36th and 41st, I have never felt unsafe, either on the sidewalks or in a regulated or unregulated crosswalk (anywhere on Portola Drive).The demonstration project did not increase my feeling of safety. I think the best thing in the demonstration project area and all along Portola Dr. is to simply make bike lane striping bright and clear and extend green bike lane markings into each intersection.
Please remove ASAP
No
Just a huge thank you! Change isn't easy.
No
This is a bad solution. Why would you even try it.
Keep it up. We must change our transportation paradigm, and it won't be easy for some citizens.
This is a total waste of taxpayers money. In addition, the flow of traffic (for both bicyclist, cars and pedestrians) worked fine before. Totally unnecessary and should be removed
No smart planning was involved in the making of this demonstration.
STOP THIS IMMEDIATELY. YOU AREN'T HELPING ANYTHING AND YOU'RE JUST MAKING TRAFFIC WORSE AND RISKING DAMAGE TO VEHICLES.
Is the goal to get traffic away from the fancy beach homes? It seems like it. Does the costal commission know your are making beach access harder?
I assume that a minority of recreational bicycle riders will love this, but local residents that use this area for commuting and walking will hate it. Worst congestion on this road that I have ever seen. This turns Portola into a parking lot and some points, and I felt LESS SAFE walking this stretch of road.
Well ... I certainly do ... I have lots Mostly questions Like Hmm... how is it that you got to just change infrastructure without getting it voted and approved FIRST????? It's super curious ... no?
Please change it back to the way it was
No
No
It's has created a lot of extra traffic at an already busy area making drivers less patient and more dangerous for walkers and bikers
So disappointed with so many negative actions. Too many people drive and we need to encourage more to use alternative means. It is a crazy world we live in
Do not recommend the changes. Will cause more problems than solve.
Please please keep two lanes on portola. The traffic is already a nightmare. Just add a flashing cross walk or something. I always feel very safe walking and biking on the street. Nothing much more is needed.
The amount of signs and confusing parking striping makes it difficult to understand where the cars, pedestrians, and bikers should be. The extra sings and merging of traffic actually seems to distract the driver, which means they are paying less attention to the road and cyclist. I do not think the demonatration project improves safety for cars, pedestrians, or traffic.
Does not compute
The stop sign @ 36th should have been a permanent fixture years ago. Why did it finally take this mess to install it.
Please listen to the community. It's not the right place or space for such a thing. We feel safe walking in all of Pleasure Point. Why not patrol more and issue citations for speeding. To truly keep the bikers and walkers safe, they need to be away from cars altogether.
Youve created a major inconvenience for thousands of people trying to get somewhere. Ecology action should not try to be traffic engineers - a major fsilure.
We need safe options for pedestrians but the driving lanes should be separated by meaningful barriers or extra space.
They should put these in Scott's valley and aptos as well
Restore portola to how it was before.
I ride this route at least 3 times a week. This makes me feel much safer.
Yes, the worst project I have ever seen. You solve traffic with roundabouts , not cones and one lane
Terrible idea that is creating a huge traffic issue and massive frustration with locals. Please remove!
Get rid of this!
Yes I did... But I already put it in section 17
The traffic was horrible coming through this section. When highway 1 is backed up locals need to be able to efficiently use other routes. Portals drive is one of them. This installation significantly slowed the commute home.
Thank you for trying things out in real time in the community to see if they work.

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No
Get rid of it please, its a huge inconvenience and we need the two lanes on Portola. Drivers have gotten more aggressive and frustrated.
E Cliff Dr is the preferred route for biking and walking, and it appropriately features one car lane and much room for pedestrians. Portola, on the other hand, is a major artery and thoroughfare, and is access for many business by car, it needs 2 lanes for cars. The existing sidewalk and bike lane have been adequate for the amount of bikes and walkers on Portola.
Take it down
Just install a light at 41st..
Why not just add the green bike lanes that have been added elsewhere in the county? And continue the current removal of the Live Oak parking program so that there are more parking options for people who want to visit this area.
No
This is a horrible design and a waste of money - it's making traffic worse and more dangerous. Whoever came up with this plan should be fired - take it down early
17th Avenue flows with this design, with as many cars traveling along it. People will get used to the change better if the whole way is 1 lane each direction, center turn lane. It is confusing now because goes from this design to 4 lanes then back to this, should ll be changed all at same time then wouldn't be confusing.
people who vandalize the installation are terrible
I live in Seacliff and use this route home during rush hour. I love this but don't live here. It will be important to seek out this areas neighbors to get their input if you want it to succeed. Otherwise, it will become a maintenance problem for the county.
This temporary experience showed why this is not a good idea.
Put up some lights if you need to slow down traffic or protect crossings.
As a resident of Pleasure Point and someone who rides their bike in the area on a daily basis, I don't see any improvement to bike and pedestrian safety. The traffic has backed up and there is now a steady stream of vehicles along Portola, where as before there would be gaps in the vehicle traffic that were much easier to navigate.
I really do want better painted bicycle lanes and a revitalized sidewalk. Nothing fancy, just regular maintenance and improvement. As a bicycle rider, those waves don't make me feel any safer, just claustrophobic. I'd ride down there much more often just with some simple updates, not by turning the street into "Bontrager-ville".
Thank you for your work and effort on this. I know people have been nasty about it which is making me lose a lot of faith in my community.
The traffic is really bad sense this has been changed
Notify neighbors before constructing a change in our neighborhood. Let us know when and why, and in this case, that it was only a trial.
Please put the second lane back for the cars. Keep the green paint and purple paint. Takedown the metal wave structure too confusing for autos.
This is awful
how stupid is it to change from 2 lanes to one. How is that supposed to help traffic? Cyclists say the wavy barriers are dangerous.
I biked thru Portola, I feel that Portola was very bike friendly before this and the only improvements I would make would be to have green bike lanes installed and more signs denoting bike lane.
Please put this type of thing to a vote before squandering our hard earned tax money! Fix the roads, for the \$7500+ in property tax I spend, the roads should be much, much better.
PLEASE RETURN PORTOLA BACK TO THE WAY IT WAS -- should have used the money for the demo to repaint the lines on the street!
The traffic is horrendous since the staging has occurred. I do not even what to come towards pleasure point since the simulation has put in place due to the traffic and uneasy access to my chiropractor office.
Change is good but this is not the way to achieve road safety for bikers and walkers. WAY too distracting. Traffic is also backing up due to the move from 2 to 1 lanes in stops. Seems counter intuitive.
Remove the existing trees and curb planter that are adjacent the sidewalk and install new one in a new parallel parking area closer to the center of the street. Many peoples issue with the current proposal is no parking for shops and slower traffic. People will get over the slower traffic if the area is more pedestrian friendly and brings more business to the shops. Added parking will also help with bringing more business.
Please make this a reality!
Very dangerous!!!!
Please don't keep this permanent.
Who gave you permission to "expiement" with our neighborhood without adequate community input??? That person is on our communities shit list I am sure
Bad idea
Yes. I would like to answer question 15 here. I mentioned that I do cycle through this section of Portola, which I will continue to do whether or not this new setup becomes permanent. That to say, the changes neither encourage nor discourage me from getting around on my bike. I will do that either way. I could see the physical railing being a tricky thing to have when cycling as there are times when one needs to move into car traffic even briefly. I can't imagine a huge cycling group (which Ive frequently seen on weekends) navigating this with ease.
na
Please! Change it back! Everyone in the neighborhood HATES IT!!!!
stupidest idea ever!!!!
It makes traffic a nightmare as well

It needs to go back to 2 lanes on each side. If you can make the bike line more visible that I great. But I think there was never a problem before and now there is. I grew up in this area and still live here today. I use my bike, car and I walk in this area very often and never felt unsafe before. Now I do because of all the traffic and confusion. There are cars trying to merge from the turning lanes, it's impossible to turn left out of the avenues. It is a terrible design. It makes me wonder if the people who implemented it have ever even driven through here.
Use the old train for bike path
Please make it permanent for safety
There are many many cities around the world that have created safe parking/bicycle lanes and pedestrian divisions. Let's use one of the best of those that are existing!
unless santa cruz can provide jobs that pay enough to afford to live here than we need our roadways expanded for us to drive to work, not retracted! you're dreaming if you think it will promote us to ride bikes
Said it all
No
Traffic is horrible!
Please see above. I've worked construction for 17 years as an inspector. I would be fired if I signed off on this job as being complete and professional. I would literally call the painters back to do it again correctly.
I wish that we woudl try out new routes in places where we really dont have great safe alternatives and poeple get hurt - for example, capitola village, mcgregor dr, the boardwalk trestle to the harbor bridge (you can take e cliff and the harbor but its much farther), an alternative to soquel....
Do not make this permanent
Please remove
Great to see actual progress, not just paper work. Nothing is perfect, especially with a divisive public. However, it is clear there is a group that wants new ideas and a group that wants to keep things as is. The world is changing and bike lanes are only getting more popular. If you want Santa Cruz to be more forward looking and be more attractive to the group that likes to see forward thinking ideas implemented, then do the right thing and make bike lane expansions permanent throughout the area. The other group will be fine when their property values go up as a result of these progressive changes. Like all the prominent historians that made drastic improvements, there will be a group that hates you, but in the future, history will be on your side.
This project seems poorly thought out, and it is ugly, dangerous, and completely unnecessary. A big thumbs down.
Also better noticing on all meetings
The bike lane barricade is ok 👍
This is totally dangerous and an eyesore and utterly confusing and also creating terrible traffic both on Portola and on adjacent Street due to The turn only lanes
It's very clear this is to cater to new or incoming businesses around that area in order to increase foot traffic, but all under the guise of "foot and bike safety." In my understanding, this area never had a bike or foot safety issue unlike somewhere such as Mission St. where there are deadly accidents.
no
Seriously, get rid of it. Everyone hates it.
give us back our lanes
No.
Changing Portola from 2-lanes in each direction to 1 lane in each direction has greatly increased traffic, with the segment between 38th Avenue and 41st Avenue frequently grid-locked. However, even worse than this, and significantly more dangerous, is that having vehicles park on the other side of bike lane greatly reduces sightlines to traffic when on the side walk and when coming out of a driveway. Even though there is a middle lane for merging, it is difficult to see oncoming traffic if a truck is parked in the spot nearest the driveway. Finally, there are signs at Portola and 38th warning drivers to watch for bicyclists when the driver is turning right from the stop sign. This has an implication that the bicyclist could be rolling through the stop sign while the car is turning right (which, as far I understand traffic laws in CA, is illegal for the bicyclist). Not to mention that the bicyclists are harder to see because of parked cars. I'd more appreciate a sign reminding bicyclists that they have to come to a complete stop at stop signs, as moving vehicles must. The odds of a car clipping on oncoming bike would be greatly reduced, given the acceleration of a car vs. that of a bike. I eagerly await this demonstration event being over and hope to never see it again.
Bad project, poor planning to appease a few.
Stop with all the little pet projects, and do something about the parking along 30th Avenue.
Worst idea SC county could have thought of!
No
I would like to see this implementation along East Cliff Drive along the Schwan Lagoon. I often see families on foot and cyclists navigate this dangerous road while cars zoom by.
Look at Scandinavian solutions they are huge bicycles users. Amsterdam is also a good example.
backed up traffic
Take it down—no one needs this.
PLEASE VOTE in measures to keep Santa Cruz a live too many branches doing the same thing OMG get WOKE without Santa Cruz's COOL Vibe what do we have HOMELESS that prevent visitors as they SEE the homeless a BIG eye soar
I use Portola area for walking, biking, and driving. The single lane creating more vehicle traffic isn't worth the other added benefits. I'm all for making the sidewalks or bike lanes bigger or more clear, but not for taking away a lane to drive down. I'm also a fan of the idea of adding more plants to the street of Portola, that would be great to see.
As long as bike theft is such a pervasive problem in SC, riding locally to run errands etc. isn't a viable option. The only places I feel safe to bike are where I can lock my bike indoors (like work). Biking around town is too risky.

Adios changes please
Unjustifiable expense
Scrap this plan and send the bike organizations away.
Cater to motorists and not bicyclists. If you want to cater to them, make them pay for road condition improvements and make them adhere to motor rules, like stopping at red lights and not going through them like they didn't exist.
Very ugly. I never see ANYONE walking on Portola. Lived here for 50 years. Please take this abomination away. You ruined the experience of driving there.
I appreciate the effort, but tax dollars can be spend better on other things.
People don't trust you to respond to the negative feedback since you are pushing a bike agenda. The minority want bike improvements while the majority want car improvements. Stop pushing your agenda on us.
I understand and applaud the effort - it just wasn't thought out. Please take it down now.
It feels a bit frustrating to have to drive slower on Portola, but good for safety.
If this plan becomes permanent, I hope the fresh artistic expression doesn't become corporate looking or governmental sterility.
It is a huge waste of time and money.
No
Please do not make this permanent
That section of Portola does not need to be 4 car lanes. Making space for other modes around Pleasure Point will ultimately encourage biking and make parking and movement better for everyone.
The bike is nice but again it doesn't need the 4 lanes reduced to 2 lanes and causes chaos with all parties.
no
I think it looks great!
I think it's an interesting idea but it was very confusing.
It is not a smart move on the flow of traffic and for the safety of everyone. Especially if some of the space is used for vehicle parking. I do like the idea of the crosswalks being lite up when pressed and the old bike lanes having green lines painted.
Best solution: Revert back to original
Don't understand reasoning for complete change up that already had sidewalks, bike lanes and two lanes. Felt safe and adequate. upgrade needed for road repair and line definition.
I've heard in Europe they use a cement line/bump/block to prevent cars from getting close to bikers and from opening the door of a parked car into a biker. I like that we are incentivizing more walking and biking. For some who cannot walk/bike we should increase public transit pickup locations so they can make use.
I like that you are trying, but I think it was just too much. White wavy things do not look good. Orange cones do not look good. Purple paintings on street look strange (Alice in Wonderland?) and they were painted over the nice looking red crosswalks. I think focus on making it work better for walk and biking, without putting parking in the street. It is causing way more traffic through that area (I live on 38th and Portola), where there wasn't any traffic. I don't want more parking, I think there is too much already. It would be nice to have wide concrete seating at the cross-walks, places to eat and hang out. I thought that would be part of it. Make it more like a nice place to stroll with benches and shade trees. https://cdn.homes.com/x2/@v=-1380014478@/124/5/596/SB21072596/SB21072596_0.jpg?resize=1&width=700&height=440&aspect=1
Cause more traffic and congestion
No
Please go back to normal
The STOP SIGN at 36th Ave. also increased road safety by reducing speed in both directions between 30th and 38th Avenues.
No
Yes who's idea was this, I'm sorry but it was extremely poor design, so many potential accidents and issues with pedestrians. There is so much more traffic than there used to be.
No
The survey sampling comes off as response bias in "did the changes make you feel comfortable?" etc. Also, regarding if we would use the space if it became permanent it did not allow for an answer such as "I have no other option"
Who paid for this mess?
spend the money on a few lighted(flashing) crosswalks and hand out more speeding tickets
Invest time and money in getting the bike/walk trail done on the train tracks off the main road.
I think drivers will always resist measures that try to create parity between drivers and cyclists. I hope negative feedback from motorists will not be weighted more than positive feedback from cyclists.
The tree planting of the proposed permanent installation will go a long way toward making that whole corridor more aesthetically pleasing. As of right now, it's pretty unappealing.
no
PLEASE, do not make this change permanent. We have enough problems with traffic and distractions in our county.
This is not going to work well. If anything, this wasn't widely announced and I've already seen many negative comments. I cycle this area frequently and still think it's awful. It's also causing more traffic congestion
Please bring Portola back. The stop sign at 36th Avenue is fine to slow people down.
You asked if I would use the facility if it were made permanent. I answered no. However, I would have no choice as Portola is our "Main Street."
Even the wording of this survey referring to the project as temporary "improvements" tries to slant responses to validate the work.
No, thank you.
Causes so much traffic. I bike it often and terrible for bikers too
I would like to see a traffic signal installed at 41st & Portola to help control traffic

Do not make this permanent.
BAD IDEA
No
No
I support bike/ped improvements made in accordance with unified traffic best practice/standards
These barriers are dangerous to the vehicle traffic and to the bike traffic. When a vehicle over corrects so they don't hit something they might hit a bike.
BAD IDEA!
Please take it down, the amount of traffic this has caused is incredible. No ease at all anymore. The painting of the road and the dangerous abstract metal pieces are so distracting and Un- appealing. I was completely stressed out and worried the whole time. Forget noticing a pedestrian. Felt the same on my bike, worried. What a waste our our towns Money should it become permanent. Take the temporary stop sign down. There are plenty of them.
I heard this was to make Portola safer by using the model of 26th area, but this area feels far more dangerous. I find Portola 30-41st to be one of the least dangerous streets to ride. (Murray and McGregor is the worst)
Even more like a fencing idea. Just not those. A car can still plow thru them and hit someone.
Revert back to original ASAP
Just that I don't mean to be so negative, but it was causing traffic to back up. It's just not worth having it
I hope we continue to make room for bikes!
TAKE IT OUT. CAUSES TRAFFIC IN AN ALREADY BUSY ROAD
Very thoughtful about pedestrian and cycling safety. Especially children on bikes.
Get rid of it!!!!
No
Take it out. One lane traffic is not working. I have neither heard nor experienced pedestrian or cyclist issues that this change supposedly addresses.
Don't fix what ain't broken
Stop the insanity
Please don't make this permanent
Please just stop. This 'project' is an embarrassment to the community. Such a joke.
Some folks just like to destroy things, has nothing to do with biking or autos
Yes, instead of focusing on the vandalism done by a few, how about realizing that this was done poorly and without notifying people that are going to be directly affected. Get your neighbors behind you and you will be more successful!
As a cyclist, I really enjoy the increased visibility of the bike lanes. I'd like to see this kept and implemented on East Cliff drive where I frequently have close calls with cars veering into and overtaking the bike lane.
Thanks for all the work to make this happen!
there needs to be two lanes in each direction on Portola
I would do elevated crosswalks to eliminate the congestion of traffic due to pedestrians. That way people feel comfortable crossing the street and cars can travel freely without the risk of hitting a pedestrian
This is a terrible idea.
Please remove this as soon as possible. It has made it unsafe me for me to go to and from my home whether I'm on foot or in a car.
If someone builds a house within a block from me, they are required to send a notice via the county to the local residents surrounding. Where was the notice from Ecology Action? The traffic on Portola is unbearable, it's forcing cars to turn right down neighborhood streets they would normally turn down. Bike lanes and sidewalks were better and wider than most in town. Such a mess that is a complete eyesore that goes against the soul of what a community is supposed to be. No input was sought, and your nonprofit and the country would be serving the needs of those in the affected areas. So many other neighborhoods you could paint and put up so many signs and noise everywhere.
Creating traffic for the hell of it.
No
build dedicated bike lanes thru out the area
please change it back
Thanks for trying it out.
Get rid of it
No
Please, please, please consider constructing a parking garage on Portola. 41st Ave at Portola is a wonderful hub of shopping and restaurants and great for the economy but as it has grown into a desirable destination the volume of cars has become out of control. Parking is spilling into our neighborhoods and even that is barely efficient. We've had issues with the brewery on corner of Gladys Ave and 41st with drunk patrons parking and driving on our streets. If we had a parking garage and perhaps available bike rentals for visitors, that would be fantastic.
not at this time.
Take it away
Car drivers are using the left turn lanes to run stop signs and pass cars going straight
Thank you. Anything that helps encourage a slower pace of traffic is most welcome and ensures safer bike and pedestrian access.
There is so much built up rage and class deivision in this community already, especially after this year, a project like this which so obviously caters to rich folks and vacationers while making life harder for the remaining working class folks who are trying to actually live their lives in this town... it's just so, so upsetting that this is where the money is going.
I will definitely not vote for Manu in the next election and will do my best to see that he is not re-elected.
dont waste time and money on things that dont need to be fixed. especially if it makes it worse. this was just a bad idea all together

No...because whoever is in charge just does what they want...regardless of what people need or want.....just leave Portola dr alone....
The opening meeting was clearly biased as opposition comments would not be heard. Idling in lines of traffic does not help the environment and those who want to ride a bike already are.
I'm an expert cyclist so the barrier is a nuisance to me. Plus Portola Dr looks weird with them. Maybe it will be different when you get used to it. But first impressions - negative. thanks, James
None
Efforts better spent where they're truly needed.
No
I also do not ride my bike to a destination because bikes are a hot commodity to thieves.
More unsafe for pedestrians than before.
it will increase the congestion and gas used from the addition of the stop sign bikers simply ran the stop sign and rode in the car lane. what a dumb idea!!! who is paying for this???
I really hope this isn't permanent. As a traffic calming it's an absolute nightmare. It created frustration and that leads to drivers doing stupid things. There is enough aggression with drivers and Portola was a breath of calm when I drive it. It's actually my favorite route to avoid traffic and I am happy to go slow. Honestly of people are driving too fast get a traffic cop tp write tickets the will stop it. Enforcement is needed in this town. It's crowded and crazy. I don't bike it for a reason. And just making this stretch bike friendly, isn't going to change that.
I'm frankly very unhappy with this current change. It does NOT achieve the goals for increased visibility or walkers or bikers. It creates confusion, traffic and dangerous behaviors by cars distracted by the non- intuitive and unclear marking increasing risk for everyone in the community. Please remove.
Yes. These need to be taken down before something happens. All the traffic this is causing is horrible
Make it how it use to be
I strongly support adding protected, visible bike lanes throughout Santa Cruz. I drive down Portola every day to work and have not been negatively impacted at all.
Same as my response on survey query# 13.
It's ugly
Bad really bad ideas over all people,bikes ,cars , buses everyone is confused and that is dangerous!! Make no sense.
I love that it improved safety for my family, on bikes, walking and driving! Very well done, Santa Cruz.
Waste of money when other improvements need to be repaired, such as potholes. The green bike lanes in other parts of the county are much more effective, less invasive and less distracting. Complete waste of money!
No
When in car, feel bikes and walkers are more vulnerable and more likely to stray into roadway
Improve ability of traffic flow and enhance safety for pedestrians and cyclists
No
Not surprised to learn it was vandalized. Not the best way but the majority of people are not happy
More more more! We need better bicycle infrastructure. I commute by bike every day to Dominican hospital, and every day I step out my door and wonder if it's last time I'll see my wife and 4 month old son.
Horrible idea across the board. Makes no sense. It's a road and changing it into a one lane stretch is counterintuitive given traffic.
Making Portola one lane, each way has increased traffic and commute times. No to mention, I have seen 3 bicycles riding in the one lane the autos have to drive in.
This experiment has caused a lot of traffic and should be removed asap.
Please remove that awkward useless eye sore. Spend our tax dollars more responsibly.
I feel that the changes on Portola are unnecessary. The road was functional before. Now,it feels like there just a lot of busy work that was done. The road feels more narrow,and more difficult to navigate. Please, change the road back to how it was !!
No
I like the idea of bike safety but in my opinion there are far more people biking on east cliff than portola, so the new road change has not added much in the way of safety and instead has caused backups on the road.
These changes are distracting for drivers, especially tourist who are already trying to navigate unfamiliar roads
Take it down
Just put it back the way it was so I can continue to run my business thanks.
I've lived on Portola for 20 years and have walked, driven, and biked that section of road weekly if not daily during that time. I've always felt safe on my bike there. The problem areas are elsewhere (e.g., rounding the curve at Twin Lakes, 38th street heading toward the mall). Drivers are distracted and impatient now (with the popup), which is not good for bicycle safety. As a pedestrian I avoided crossing Portola at 36th until the flashing light was put in; that improved safety considerably. A stop sign might be better, and might help cars turning from 36th left onto portola, so that might be worth retaining. As a driver, this new configuration is a disaster. Backups are huge, driver impatience is palpable. Speeding on portola is a problem but it's actually at it's worst down by 30th, not in the pop-up area. I believe speeding in that area is now exacerbated because once people get out of the one-lane popup area they are eager to get going. Please reject this plan as a permanent installation.
Please do not make this permanent. It really looks like a circus. Totally confusing and inefficient
What a shit show, typical privilege, creating spaces for those who can afford the time to walk and ride bikes, while the rest of us who grew up here, have to commute from south county just so we can live here. All the while the privileged second home owners of The Pleasure Point area can have their fancy cup of coffee and park space along one of the only roads that takes you across town. Shame on all of you. Why don't you sit in traffic every single day, what a bunch of morons!
The traffic has been unbearable. It's confusing and frustrating. I rode my bike and the changes made my ride more dangerous as there was more traffic and cars did not know where to go

I wish this project wasn't planned over Zoom because it seems like it was.
GET RID OF IT!!! It looks horrible. I'm sorry someone wasted their time and energy on this project. I hope my tax dollars didn't pay for this crap.
I like the idea of modifying the stree. I think biggest improvements are adding the stop sign at 36th, and emphasizing the bike lane and crossing areas. I don't feel such defined and large spaces are needed for pedestrians and bikers. You could ask the question of if having the space will bring more foot traffic, but living on 38th end using portola to both bike, walk, and drive, it needs to be a fair balance to all modes of transportation.
I hope the curmudgeons don't ruin your day :)
Terrible design, complete waste of money, no benefit to anyone including, pedestrians, bicyclist, and cars.
The traffic build up was awful. We already struggle with heavy traffic in this area so this adds to the congestion.
No
Fix the real issues in Santa Cruz before creating and spending the tax payers money on garbage.
Please remove and allocate funds elsewhere. Stop you're social engineering projects.
Go back to the old Portola Drive and redesign the bike lanes to make them more visible and enforce traffic laws that already exist
I work on Portola right past the new stop sign. It is making people enraged. They are going extra fast, speeding off the line at the new stop sign. I can't turn left out of my work parking lot. We talk to many many people from this neighborhood all day. I have not met one person who likes it.
Portola drive is the only continuous east to west thoroughfare along the coastal area. It gets a lot of use and we need the traffic to flow, not congest.
Leave it alone.
I hope we can make Santa Cruz more bike safe!!!
Make 38th Avenue more pedestrian and bike friendly first. It's WAY more dangerous than Portola Drive.
The new configuration creates traffic by having vehicles all changing into the same lane and that creates frustrated drivers making irrational decisions to quick turn into the bicyclists to avoid traffic. My main form of transportation is a bicycle I use it everyday to commute and my greatest fears are slow to stopped traffic creating frustrated drivers i.e. Soquel ave southbound four in the afternoon from Dominican to 41st
No
Please make this permanent! This road has always had more lanes than needed. A lot of people walk and bike on Portola and it would be great to make it safer.
Keep the lanes 2 lanes each way. Traffic will be horrible!
Obstacles to driving, hardly anyone walking or bicycling but many driving makes it a problem.
Yes please install a roundabout at 41st and Portola
Portola gets heavy traffic from tourists. The current layout is way too complicated for people who don't drive it every day. Too easy to be stuck in a lane that ends.
No
There never was a significant amount of bike or foot traffic to warrant the removal of one lane on Portola Ave. The traffic congestion is a nightmare already. My observation is that people who are biking, skateboarding or riding battery-powered vehicles should adhere to safety protocols and vehicle codes. A designated (green) bike lane would be sufficient and there is plenty of sidewalks space for pedestrians.
stop it
There was never a pedestrian or bike problem in that area. There was plenty of OFF ROAD SPACE for bikes and foot traffic. This isn't a high walking/biking area.
Again, the entire concept is horrible. It appears that somebody was just looking to make a project to receive funding and didn't put any thought into it whatsoever. I doubt there is any community input this seems to be the work of a small group of uninvested people.
hurtful to business's
The original Portola group envisioned two driving lanes with a central turning lane. It wasn't easy parking for the businesses and protection for walkers and bicycle riders. They also wanted to keep the area quaint, attractive and retain eclectic look. They even discussed appearance of new construction on the avenue. This was prompted by the Lumber Yard center proposal, which most attendees felt was not a good design fit for the area. The street needs to be designed by Pleasure Point residents, not planners, traffic dept, artists, commuters and other groups who don't reside in the area.
Why weren't the residents of this neighborhood asked to participate in the decision-making process? Why weren't we notified? And who is the idiot that designed this cluster-fart and who is numbskull that approved it? Many of the merchants along this route are losing money because drivers are unable to access their shops easily. Get rid of it.
No
UCSC should be demolished
Congratulations, you have succeeded in creating traffic congestion where there was none. In all my years living in Santa Cruz County (42), I have never been stuck in traffic on Portola, until now. Portola was the one street in mid-county that is not subject to traffic through out the day. There are so many other ways to make commuting on a bicycle safe in this county: close East Cliff dr to automobile 32nd-41st, or create the rail-trail?
People are angry. If you spend time over there you hear the locals complaining about the change. They are kicking over the orange cones and talking about vandalizing the newly installed barriers. I know I mentioned they could stay due to being a sunk cost earlier in the survey, but after thinking I think they should be removed so the county doesn't have to deal with the vandalism the residents are talking about. I am also concerned that a large portion of the population that frequents the area will not participate in a survey like this. I encourage the county to have people in the area polling residents live. Please also do this during non business hours so you get a full picture of what's going on down there. Currently it's unsafe and people are mad. Overall the change needs to be reverted so there are still two lanes of traffic in each direction.

Concept should have been piloted in an area where there was a greater need like no sidewalk or bike lanes and tons of traffic
Lets stop wasting taxpayer money on dumb projects like this one
The county took the one place in town that doesn't have a traffic problem and made a traffic problem! Horrible idea
Horrible waste of tax payer money! Use the money to pave the dilapidated surface roads!
This temporary traffic experiment just shows how necessary the greenway project is needed!!
What were you thinking ????????????
tho some residents don't care for it, the area near the ocean belongs to all of us.
Traffic was backed up from down on 41th through 36th. A real mess and will be worse on weekends.
I pray that this installation does not become permanent. It's terrible!
Traffic is backing up at 41st and Portola and making it problematic for residents to back out of driveways. The parallel parking is slowing down traffic.
Tree roots by the curb are unavoidable in the constrained bike lane on Portola. The pavement should be smoothed to avoid forcing bikes toward cars to when avoiding tree root raised asphalt. In my opinion this Portola stretch of bikeway is already fairly safe - It's wide and has pretty good visibility. - Portola from 41st to its end at 17th. On the other hand the most dangerous parts in that neighborhood for bikers I believe are the quite narrow, yet even more frequently traversed is on E Cliff Drive between the Palisades Ave intersection and 24th ave. That area is heavily frequented by cyclists, and tourists gawping at the scenery, and the road is quite narrow. In my opinion some safety measures should be put in place there.
I'm avoiding the area until it gets undone. It creates traffic, accidents and frustration.
ugly design distracting to motor vehicle drivers !!
worse idea ever. sorry Manu was elected
No hope someone reads what i have written, as our family has been in town here since 1947 and have seen many of these roads go from dirt to pavement !
Thanks for trying this out.
Thank you for trying but unless you reduce the amount of surfers coming and multiple tenant buildings it will be doomed. Where are these people going to go? No one is going to ride a bike from San Jose.
No
Overall, a brave experiment, but, on balance, a mistake.
We can increase bike safety without minimizing lanes.
You created any Normas amount of traffic and are people at that intersection without giving anything back to the pedestrians and bike riders. I've never experienced such traffic at that intersection in 10 years. You also don't give any other access to our neighborhoods except this traffic snarled roadway where is the alternate route.
This is a bad idea. Portola is heavily used by cars- keep it 2 lanes!
Please reconsider this. It is not helping.
Glad they got stolen !! Congrats to whomever was responsible !
Please remove the project
Flashing crosswalks have made a positive change and could be installed at 26h Ave to improve pedestrian safety. Since East Cliff is one lane from 30th Ave to 41st Portola is an important access to many homes as well as a crosstown route. Please change Portola back as it was.
Stop ruining the traffic flow for vehicles in favor of bicycles! Soquel Village is a glaring example of the RTC's incompetence!
Stop giving Manu free reign on implementing idiotic Greenway ideas.
I hope this thing is taken down sooner.
why was a public petition to the local community not sent out? This came out of nowhere and negatively impacts members of the community in an already stressful time. While the bike lane mods are fine, portola is not heavily traveled by bike due to one of the most scenic stretches of rideable coastline being less than a mile away.
I am an architect with an office adjacent to the area in question. I usually bike to work, but I also sometimes drive. I am generally a big supporter of any efforts towards bike (and pedestrian) safety, but in this case I feel it's a case of "If it ain't broke, don't fix it." This area is not particularly hazardous for bikes, and the traffic has worsened significantly since implementation of the "test." I talked to a business owner across the street from my office and he was very upset and said he has seen a significant drop in business since it was put into place. It would be a shame to see this made permanent.
No
Please for the safety of everyone take it down
Please return both lanes for cars to travel on. I am all for having a safe place for bicycles and cyclists however, this is ridiculous and causing more frustration than I ever have seen on portola dr. If it stays, I am going to use the residential neighborhoods to drive to get from point A to point B.
Was hopeful this pop-up would prove easy and accessible for all forms of transportation (pedestrian, bike, vehicle) but has narrowed Portola Road so severely, it is difficult and unsafe to maneuver through. Local businesses are not as accessible and pop-up is keeping us away from using Portola (using East Cliff instead) and away from local businesses that need our revenue and support.
The location of this project doesn't make sense to me. It exacerbates the existing problems with the 41st/ Portola intersection, particularly at commute times and weekends. I live in the neighborhood and use this section of road frequently and found myself doing workarounds through neighborhoods to avoid it. This is our major throughway to shopping and the freeway. I would be happy to see the sidewalks and bike lanes beatified along that section of road, but only after the dangerous sections are rectified and not at the expense of the local drivers.
Why don't you try this on Hwy 17?
This is by far one of the worst special interest con jobs I've ever seen and this is as a 9 year neighborhood resident who walks, bikes and drives through here on a daily basis. Please listen to us and not shove the vocal minority's opinion on the silent majority.

yes! Publish the survey reactions
As a long time resident of this neighborhood with young children that often walk and bike along Portola, safety along this corridor is very important to me. I do not think the current design is an overall improvement in safety, traffic flow nor community feel. See comments in #17 above that demonstrate a compromise between the existing and proposed designs. I believe that this compromise would be an improvement to our community.
Traffic is already a huge problem in Santa Cruz and this creates more traffic. I feel it is unsafe also. The barriers make it difficult for drivers from side streets to pull out onto Portola. This makes it more dangerous for pedestrians and bicycles as they are more focused on the traffic (Cars) than if there are pedestrians and bikers nearby. I have never had an issue biking or walking in the area before this change. I think it is unneeded and makes it worse. Please remove this!
Fix 36th. Keep stop sign at 36th. Shit can that stupid turn lane at 30th. The purple "art" looks like a 2nd grade finger paint project. Stop trying to make Pleasure Point something it is not. The guys at the PP liquor have already said their business has been negatively impacted. Fix the side streets. Leave the 1/2 mile section of Portola as a car corridor so we all can easily move about. The pedestrians and bikes already have lanes and sidewalks.
Why not do us all a real solid. Install traffic signals at Portola/41st intersection. This would benefit all people transiting this area.
Pedestrian walk/no-walk signals at 41st and Portola, a lot of uncontrolled crosswalk in many directions leads to too much traffic flow interruptions. it would be a lot better to make the railroad into a trail (and make bike/pedestrian access to it easier from quiet streets). Car traffic in Santa Cruz is very frustrating, the drivers particularly impatient and aggressive.
We live in a county with very few east/west through roads. (Hwy 1, Soquel Drive, Capitola Road, East Cliff/Portola). And now you want to make one of just four even slower? I am strongly opposed.
Worst traffic idea since Morrisey triangle!!
Take it down asap
not at. this time
Very confusing, almost got into an accident, poor visibility
Yes, everyone no matter what form of transportation they are using, need to put their cell phones away, and pay attention. Their life depends on it.
No
Thank you for doing this, these pop-up type installations are the way of the future, and help us test new ideas. I hope this happens!
Who thought of this horrible idea?!
I think some changes do need to occur, but removing an entire driving lane doesn't seem like the solution. Better lighting for pedestrians and bikers for extra visibility at night would be nice.
No
Thanks for your work on this!
na
Causes extreme traffic jams and unsafe driving and biking conditions with added complexity and traffic. With east cliff a few blocks away people are more likely to bike and walk there. Instead crest a two way bike path on east cliff.
good try but it does not work
No
This is REALLY BAD idea. I'm a supporter of Ecology Action, and I ride my bike in this area, but it just feels like an obstruction that is going to cause a lot of unnecessary congestion.
Why wasn't the installation PUBLICIZED IN DETAIL BEFORE IT WAS INSTALLED. COULD HAVE SAVED TIME AND MONEY,
Please give us back our 4 lane street.
TERRIBLE IDEA!!!
Local merchants negatively impacted
yes. whoever thought of this needs to get a hobby that doesn't involve taxpayer dollars.
Don't change what isn't broken. It was 120% better before this project
Stop breaking what isn't broken
This just makes traffic worse in our town! It's hard enough to drive home from work from downtown to Capitola and now it will be worse
Please remove
Bet someone will get hurt cause of the chaos
YES..! Lets have a face to face meeting NOT a Zoom meeting.
No
Bad government gives is especially bad for good government.
I don't want this to be come permanent, I would like to see the additional stop signs and add in flashing lights to the intersection of 38th and Portola
This whole trial/demo seemed like a "solution looking for a problem". I suppose some re-design of walking/biking/driving balance could be done in an attractive, sensible way, but this just looked very amateurish. We don't need a re-thinking of this stretch of Portola as far as I'm concerned.
To whoever had this great fucking idea; kill yourself
The white plastic humps are hideous and distracting. I see no logical reason to bottle neck the road. There has been traffic there every time I've walked, ridden my bike, or driven through it and there never used to be. The turning lane is not necessary - we operate fine as is and it slows things down soooo much. Extra parking is not necessary. There is a plethora of parking across the street on Portola, and it obstructs the ability to have a success thoroughfare free from nonstop traffic. Sorry, but relatively not good looking purple paint does not have a clean look to it nor is it reflective of our community.

Keep stop sign at 36th and Portola. There is absolutely no need for a dedicated turn lane.
Please do not make this permanent. This demonstration showed a plan that is not well contrived. We do not need more traffic in Pleasure Point, nor does it make sense to add potential for accidents.
I ride an E bike to work and even I think this is a bad idea. We need more lanes. Freeway and side streets not less!
Quit messing with our streets they're fine the way they were don't overthink the situation I don't really think you live here the neighbors here Hate it the stores here hate it
You probably missed it. This is a terrible activity and those involved should be fired.
No
Not many people ride there bikes on Portola. An ugly ride. Even if they commute
Good effort bad execution
Design suck ...put it all back
No
Confusing traffic patterns may slow traffic, but they increase confusion and aggression. These proposed changes, by and large, do not serve the surrounding community, both residential and commercial.
Take it down.
no
NA
The cars are backing up on Portola and cannot get through the stop signs at 36th, 38th, and 41st. This is a bad idea and making Portola unuseable.
Please remove this project is causing more accident and traffic
Im relieved its temporary. I dont shop in downtown Santa Cruz because its a pain to park. Id just avoid 41st if this were to stay becuae i know traffic will be bad.
Stop Sign good. Everything else awful.
Put it back to two lanes
Back up of traffic on Portola on a non busy weekday mid-morning. Problematic. Bet it's super bad during commute hours and weekends.
This was a terrible idea, waste of money, and is the type of thing that makes people hate and distrust city council members who are utterly disconnected from the people they're supposed to serve
What a waste of money and time. I expected more brains from Manu.
Please remove this project as soon as possible. The people that I have spoken with on the point are not happy with this little experiment. I am just thankful that this is not permanent.
I cannot express enough how much I dislike this project. While your goal may be admirable it does not make up for the terrible execution. DO NOT DO THIS THING!
No
Keep up the good work. I don't know why everyone is complaining, and what all the fuss is about. I'm all for improving safety for pedestrians and bicyclists. All of the uproar just goes to show that there is still much work to be done to wean people off their cars
Please get rid of it.
We need more safe bike lanes like these! Drivers who don't know what it's like to bike around town will always prefer wider roads that neglect walking or cycling safety. Please ask more bikers and pedestrians to try it out and fill out the survey!
Maybe there's a way to make it safer for cyclists without eliminating the traffic lane? Color paint in bike lane, reflective paint line, reflective bumps?
Please take this down make it two lanes in both directions Traffic is a nightmare with these new changes that are only going to make driving in all surrounding areas
No
No
Trash everything except the stop at 36th.
Horrible idea and execution
encouraging change should be different than forcing the community to follow your idealism. Most of us don't have the time to sit around a table conjure up ideas to force on others. Please County of Santa Cruz end the relationship with Ecology Action, and stop having public employees during paid time lobby for specific policies.
No
I would avoid driving on Portola wherever possible if the changes were instituted. This would be a big problem for me. It would definitely cause more side road traffic, since others might do the same. I do ride a bike, but I choose to ride it along Pleasure Point and Opal Cliffs.
It might be helpful to have stoplights at the end of Portola and 41st Ave. like at 17th and Portola. It would provide pedestrians with a walk signal ,bicyclists would have to fully stop at the light and would help with drivers who don't understand right of way.
Traffic is horrible, now you've made it worse. I never thought we had a problem...do now
No
The sooner it's removed, the better.
Portola is an critical transportation and business corridor. It is critical for crosstown and local trips and economies. Rather than spend the time and effort in throwing up barriers to this use it would be better spent on efforts to accelerate the completion of the Greenway trail and bike corridor.
Keep it going down to capitola beach. At times, I feel unsafe from 41st to capitola walking or biking especially with kids. This can help to save lives!
Has increased speeding on protolanguage after 41st, pleasure point and opal cliffs getting more traffic. Ill conceived. Set up for bikers not traffic

If the city wants more parking then make the approved apartments on Portola Ave. Have subterranean parking. Problem solved.
Santa Cruz already has so many traffic signals and restrictions that make it tough to drive as a resident. This now makes this road something I never want to drive on. This was not well thought out in any manner of the word "well".
take it out
Complete waste of money when we have potholes and road washouts all over the county
No I have stated my opinion clearly I think!
Keep up the good work
Please change the street configuration BACK to the way it was before the installation!!
I am unable to bike now, recovering from surgery. I will begin biking when my doctor clears me.
Keep it simple. Don't make it worse for pedestrians, cyclists and traffic.
Love it. Please make it permanent.
This idea does not fit with the aesthetic with our community. It looks very odd and I see zero cars using the parking spots yet. Not one. I live off 38th so this project my eyes are on constantly.
Change is back
Please remove them in full. They create more problems than any potential good. There should be more peace and harmony in this area and these have only created tension and problems. Please, these are unnecessary and hurt the local businesses.
I understand that motorists may not like this change, but it is so appreciated by the people actually using it. Portola is a main road that is much safer than Soquel for cyclists, but motorists often use it as a short cut to speed, rather than to shop or enjoy the area. I can understand the frustrations because it is a new feature. But it is funny that only the bike lane is partitioned right now, so it is the same as it was before, only with barriers. It is sad to see how motorists demand that the streets belong to them whereas us citizens who are trying to live a Greener life and get exercise need to fear for their lives because someone else is in a hurry.
You've created a traffic mess where we had none
It can't be removed soon enough.
Portola drive is a major road that is used mostly by cars and pedestrians. However this experiment isn't a good idea. I think more local input on changes should be done in a community meeting of some sort with people able to come and voice their ideas and opinions. And then a vote of all local residents should be taken before any other "experiments" are done.
this wasn't helpful as a cyclist and it's downright dangerous driving a car
Invent better solutions
Highly opposed to this change in portola as it creates more confusion and problems that it solves.
I think the stop sign at 36th Ave should stay. Make it with flashing lights. Paint the original bike lanes green, like all over the county.
Take it down!!
No
Please change it back.
stop trying to turn SC into San Jose
No
Nobody I know in the neighborhood is in favor of the changes. Tear it out and seek local opinion before making a change.
Stupid is as stupid does. The County is obviously attempting to keep staff busy. The County hasn't a clue on how to improve the quality of life for those people who actually work and have to travel to work. The County is wasting measure D funds. The District 1 Supervisor values bicyclist over the vast majority of those that need to use motor or electrical vehicles. This idiotic plan forces more traffic onto residential side streets, East Cliff Drive, Brommer and Capitola Road instead of using Portola Drive which was designed to effectively move traffic. The only business benefiting from this proposal is the Cat and Cloud. The Cat and Cloud should never have been issued an occupancy permit due to the inadequate available parking. Hope you are thankful for the wisdom that I have unselfishly shared with you from my valuable and limited time.
this will ultimately cause more tourist accidents.
no
The best is comment I read was " How much fun it was being a construction worker." You all are playing construction with our money and roadway. Traffic is bad enough in our area, what are you all thinking! Remove it all! Go get real jobs and stop spending tax dollars on ridiculous "fun" projects.
Just, don't make this change permanent....traffic is a disaster in Santa Cruz.....one lane there is not the answer
Nope
I agree with the concept, however this is very poorly executed. A much better plan should be implemented.
Please reread #16 comment....But in general I would prefer mild maintenance on road without the downsizing....As it stands now, when traffic gets heavy, vehicles coming from 26th ave. towards Capitola are backing up from 38th ave. to the "New" stop sign at 36th ave. and FURTHER....
Please remove asap, before someone gets hurt.
Please spend more time thinking through decisions before trying them temporarily and putting the community through nonsense like this
take it all down asap!
no - keep up the good work to protect bicyclist and pedestrians
No
I hope you will seriously listen to public comment and if there is overwhelming opinion to scrap the project, you will act accordingly.
No
I hate it
Please remove it as soon as possible so I can get back to somewhat normal and a roadway that works for the amount of traffic that uses it daily

No
Try again and make it simple. Put a signal at 30th and Portola and 41st and Portola to allow pedestrians and bikes to cross.
thank you for the experiment
STOP THIS NONSENSE NOW! Take your ridiculous "demonstration event" down now. Next time you want to create something so ridiculous you might want to let people know ahead of time. What a waste of time and money. Oh! I have a great idea!!! Why don't spend our tax dollars wisely and repair our crummy roads filled with pot holes and in desperate need of paving!
no
Undo it!
I don't believe cyclists or pedestrians designed this project. Please include them.
Please, take it down! The person(s) responsible should be held accountable for the complete waste of money, and the business that are loading money!
No
Like driving during rush hour traffic isn't bad enough! Put it back the way it was.
Don't make this permanent
This was a good demonstration of how a poor design like this is not going to improve safety.
It's making the traffic worse. I've lived in the Pleasure Point for 49 years and Portola was meant to move traffic quickly. Now it is backing up at the stop signs and it takes a long time to get from 36th to 41st. If this becomes permanent, I will avoid Portola as this is not user friendly for anyone.
End the trial now
None
no
I live on the corner of 38th Ave. and Portola. I cross Portola multiple times every day by foot, bike, and vehicle. The changes made have only made Portola more dangerous to cross. The traffic back up has made drivers more impatient. I feel less safe riding my bike and I'm more concerned about my teenager crossing the street.
You bet! I've lived here for 45 years and have driven Portola Drive every day for those 45 years. I owned a retail business on Portola for 10 years. There has always been plenty of parking, so to take away a driving lane to give parking on Portola is ridiculous! And it's unsafe for bicyclers and for those who wish to turn into any of the retail businesses. In 45 years I have NEVER seen traffic jams on Portola, EVER, not even in the height of tourist season, yet since this FIASCO has been implemented, there are traffic jams in both directions at all times of day! GET RID OF IT! I'm sure the businesses in that area are quite upset with what you have done. IF I STILL HAD MY RETAIL SHOP THERE, I WOULD MOVE
No
It seems to me this is a wasted effort. Portola drive is not a dangerous road to walk or bike. By limiting lanes through our beautiful town, you are choking off traffic that otherwise flows very well in this section of town. I believe that a flashing light in front of Cat n Cloud is a good thing, but not a stop sign. I also believe we should be spending tax payer dollars on improving our pot hole/rough roads instead of wasting money on pop up traffic strangling ideas that choke flow of traffic!!!!
BY reducing 2 lanes, the traffic has been horrible!! Now cars are idling, adding to air pollution. It seems like all you've done is created traffic problems just to add a few parking spaces- the bike lanes have not improved!
I rode my bike both ways on the demonstration so that I could give honest feedback. The protected bike lane is really great for the 20 yards that it brings in between 36th and 37th. However, there are business where the bike lane gets interrupted. Then when at 38th ave, the cars were less aware because they hadn't noticed me from 37th to 38th. The drivers turning right onto 38th ave almost hit me because they had a "dedicated" turn lane that they forgot about the bikers. The current/normal/old design made cars more aware of the bikers and they have always given me enough room on Portola. Change it back to the way it was. The only thing to keep is the stop sign at 36th and Portola.
Take it down please.
I bike, walk, and drive in my neighborhood. (32nd). It makes the traffic horrendous. It is only going to get worse as tourists come to town. Why do we need more parking? We have parking lots. I don't mind the bike path/walk path paint.
stop sign on 36th is long over due but needs better signage as cars are not stopping.
Please remove this mistake and spend the money on improvements that make sense
I hate it. Portola is not a very pretty street to walk along. Businesses are not the type that people walk to. No one parks along Portola anyway.
Stop messing with the east side.
PUT MORE LARGE PRINT SIGNS UP SO WE KNOW WHAT THE HECK IS GOING ON. I had to search FACEBOOK to even find out why this monstrosity was even a thing.
None
stronger paint color on asphalt is better than what is there now to define bike lanes
Good ideas poorly executed. Looks so trashy cluttered and confusing.
Remove the Portola pop-up immediately. This pop-up is compromising the safety for emergency interventions like fires or first responder drownings out at the point. It's impossible to safely pull over the way you've set this up and you're installing a pop-up on roads that are compromised repair the roads first and don't create barriers Arlene reductions they don't work
No
No
REMOVE it and do not reinstall

I suggest that the designers of this "pop-up" actually ride their bike in the temporary "bike" lane and try to move over to the left hand turn lane at the 36th & Portola stop sign. You have to look behind you to see if a car is coming, while simultaneously looking forward to see if you are going to hit one of the "wings" if you move left. Since they can't look in both directions at once, they are going to have to stop at a break in the "wings", and only then move left after the cars have passed. REAL bicyclists do not enjoy stopping and starting. Lastly, it seems like there is always money for NEW projects and no money to MAINTAIN the existing bike lanes we already have. I've spent 3 hours this past month pruning the shrubs that grow into the bike lane along McGregor drive in Seacliff. I do it because cars routinely travel 40+ mph on McGregor and bicyclists moving into traffic to avoid all the shrubs and blackberries might not be anticipated by inattentive drivers. Why is there money for this ridiculous "pop-up" and NO MONEY for road shoulder mowing?
Have there actually been accidents with bikes/pedestrians? Are the changes truly needed.
Want to really improve traffic flow? Make the changes and connect Brommer and Broadway!!!! Shoud have been done 60 years ago!!
This installation causes way to many distractions which will cause more vehicular accidents. It also eliminates traffic lanes on an already busy thoroughfare. Businesses will suffer patrons
the experiment produces ludicrous backup at every stop sign and no discernible benefit--it is terrible
Manu is an idiot
It's clear this demonstration creates more traffic and is increasing the traffic through side neighborhoods.
Traffic will travel down Brommer not tun on 41st street and continue to race thru the jewel box to get to 49th. Really!
Portola needs to be two lanes each way for automotive traffic.
Please remove.
The removal of 2 of 4 lanes from 26th to 41st. Is a very bad idea. I have watched for 3 different days and the removal of the west bound lane has the effect of choking the car speed to below 10 mph. I suggest you put traffic counters out there. You will find that a lot of people turn south on side streets between 26 and 41. Before this project it was manageable. The change to create a dedicated 2 way turn lane has created a traffic choke zone in both directions between 26 and 41. So, the improvement, in actuality on the streets, has made the situation worse. Restore the section from 26th to 41st to 2 lanes on each direction. Improve pavement markings for bile lane delineation only. The lanes are fine as they are.
Yes, I do. Take the damn thing down and put the roadway back to the way it was again.
Dislike the new right hand turn lane on 41st and Portola. Traffics backs up because all cars turning left or going straight now must wait in line. I prefer using that right lane to go straight toward Capitola .
These changes are terrible
Do not do this! It is a huge mistake. Cancel the experiment as soon as possible.
No
Yes. Other than the bias of this survey, I like the stop sign at 36th. I hate having one lane with a turn lane. I own a business on Portola. Myself and my patients have experienced higher traffic wait times. I like slowing down the traffic. I do not like trying to add street parking, expanded bike lanes and less carlanes. Too many ideas in one design
Horrible idea!!!
This is crap! Looks like a two year old designed it!! Ridiculous!!!
Disrupting traffic flow by the measures used in this demonstration will cause acidents and is dangerous. Show the data that indicates a decline in automobile and bicycle accidents, during the demonstration period. Stop trying to fool people by calling the changes "improvements", when the opposite is true.
It screws up traffic
The entire change is a disruption.
Manu, get off of improving bike lanes and focus on vehicular traffic issues, such as speeding, in your district.Think more about your constituents instead of your future political goals!!!!
waste of time and money
Rip it all out waste of money. Supervisor Koenig you need to fix this or we might have to start a recall of you.
People who actually have to use it daily, hate it. Please do not ruin our neighborhood.
No
to
Stop obstructing traffic and calling it calming or an improvement.
Configuration caused many delays for many drivers
This configuration has made it more difficult and way more dangerous, specifically when trying to make a left turn to get into the Pleasure Point neighborhood. I no longer feel safe riding Portola. No problem if you are only going straight but if you need to make that left hand turn you're fairly screwed.
Bicycling in Seattle is terrifying because cars are expected to t-bone cyclists rather than merge in before right turns. Food for thought
Add landscape and walkway improvements.
being new installation the first use was confusing but after continued use was easy to navigate and safe.
This looks like the result of a committee where too many ideas were attempted to be implemented, and the end result is a conglomeration of a lot of bad ideas. Sorry.
NO NO NO and REMOVE
Overall very disappointing use of public funds. Very unclear why this intersection and section of road would be a good choice for further restrictions of vehicular traffic. It's a primary connection from lower 41st to Live Oak area with virtually no residential areas in the test area. It's a straight section of roadway with clear visibility and an existing bike lane. Painting the bike lane green, removing parking, and/or using standard temporary or permanent lane separating bollards would be much better than constricting vehicle traffic.
Horrible execution and idea. Way to make an unsafe driving area even worse.
Traffic is already so bad, no need to have only one lane.
Rip this stuff out, all of us in the neighborhood are banding together to write city council about changing these streets back to normal

Keep the new stop sign and eliminate the rest of the project. I firmly believe this could create more problems than it's supposed to solve.
How will emergency vehicles navigate the fewer lanes? Also how are cars supposed to pull over to get out of the way with barriers along the side of the road?
Keep the stop sign at 36th and Portola
Please consider creating something like this on 17th avenue for our children!! I think it would be a GREAT benefit to our community and would promote more bike use in our area.
Put the funds into keeping beaches clean and wildlife healthy.
We need to have four lanes for the amount of traffic. Please take it down. Use the money to fix the other end of portola dr. It needs to be paved like most of the roads in California
No
I appreciate that you are taking feedback and that this wasn't a permanent change.
I'm. A pleasure point resident and the traffic this is creating is unwanted. The turning lanes are wasted space !
we need all and more safe interventions for both bicyclists and pedestrians. thanks not everyone is opposed and I am so disappointed by our community in their actions
Who thought this was a good idea?
If you want something permanent then spend the money and widen the side walks by 18" and the bike lane be painted green all the way. I portola it created crazy traffic and unbelievable backup all day long impacting local business access. The stop sign at 36th ave was effective for slowing traffic. A single lane going both ways created poor traffic flow and aggressive behavior on the road. A second stop stop on the 30th and portola at 7-11 would also be very useful for safe traffic flow
Flashing lights in the middles of street and sides to heighten visibility of pedestrians
I can understand wanting a more community feel but this does not create good vibes.
I think the lane changes will bring more cars into the neighborhood streets closer to East Cliff (floral, hawes, etc) making those streets without sidewalks/bike lanes more dangerous
Impacting small businesses by affecting customer parking, turn in - out and blocking the usps mailbox is a big negative; one way or another all public works improvements come out of tax payer money > from 30th to 41st what is the actual count comparison of bicycle riders to pedestrians - always appear to be more pedestrians; hence before any permanent installation portola needs better street signage, street markings, ada style crosswalk entries, etc and a SLOWER SPEED LIMIT. Depending on car size the "purple" at corners are too wide for making a safe turn. This design is visually bulky = not visually appealing > prefer in ground posts like in front of DIG and Ace Hardware.
I live in 36th Ave. I'm strongly against this new proposal, and do not support it.
The changes made just create more frustration and traffic problems than they solve . The foot traffic is usually limited to the intersection of portola and 41st ave . I firmly believe It is a waist of time and resources , and the funds could be better spent elsewhere on other road improvements in the county . Not one area resident I've spoken with is happy about what we all hope is a temporary installation.
I hope this installation does not become permanent. We have enough congestion in Pleasure Point without you making it worse.
No
ya. who thought this was a good idea? fire them.
Widen the sidewalks on both sides and make a better bike lane. The area needs two lanes each way as it is. There must be a better way to bring walking traffic. Congesting traffic and closing lanes is the wrong approach.
Nope
Seems like a waste of money and resources. Not to mention it's creating more traffic in an area already so severely affected by tourist traffic.
Cars speed down Portola at 40 and 50 mph. It is a Highway. The demonstration has at least made drivers slow down. We must address the speeding issue. Very dangerous
No
No
No
No
Please consider another solution.
Summary: I vote for the area to return to its original design, keeping the flashing lights at the pedestrian crosswalk areas.
There are so many useful bike lanes in existence already, just copy them
No
Yes! This change will make navigating these streets for us living in Pleasure Point untenible. I have lived in Pleasure Point since 1971 and driven down 41st Ave and Portola Dr for almost 50 years. All those years I have seen traffic increase along these streets and the other surface streets, but until last week I have never seen more than three or fours cars waiting to make a left turn or continue going straight at the four way stops on Portola Dr. after waiting their turn to cross these intersections. However, last week I counted 33 cars stuck in a single lane on Portola Dr waiting to get to 38th or 41st Ave. The trial demonstration lane changes caused this real traffic jam. IT NEEDS TO BE REMOVED
No
The stop sign was a good addition but this project seems to have gotten out of hand. Too many cooks in the kitchen maybe

<p>Deviations from expected patterns of street layout make for distracted driving. My housemate, a frequent bicycle commuter, pointed out that distracted drivers are a major danger to bicyclists. She rides this route regularly between Capitola and Santa Cruz and has experienced no problems with this area of Portola Drive. While locals might get used to these unexpected deviations from the norm, people from out-of-town will be confused. Furthermore, traffic jams caused by the elimination of turn lanes create bottlenecks, leading to additional pollution and irritated drivers - both a danger to bicyclists and pedestrians.</p>
<p>A sign to show the temporary trials benefits and where to go to give your opinion</p>
<p>The impact on traffic on Portola Drive is huge. I have friends that bicycle there to go surfing and they hate the 'demonstration' also.</p>
<p>For future projects more needs to be done IN ADVANCE of the implementation to prepare those who use the road often</p>
<p>Not really. I never take surveys or write feedback, but this project frustrated and motivated me enough to research and submit this response.</p>
<p>Portola did not need this project.</p>
<p>Bo</p>
<p>PLEASE keep 2 lanes each way for driving. The traffic is terrible with the new set-up.</p>
<p>It's Lame! Get Rid Of it</p>
<p>If those white bike lane bumpers are there and it's one lane each way how does someone pull over and yield to let emergency vehicles go by? I think that the intersection at 41st & Portola with the cars and increased pedestrian traffic needs to be addressed with something more formal that purple and green paint. The peds never stop or look and the drivers have a challenging time deciding who's going to go next. I live just below 26th ave off Portola and the traffic speeding down the hill towards the library is nonstop. What can be done about this? Thank you for taking the time to put all of these project together and seeking out input. It makes a difference to know that at least we feel that we're being heard.</p>
<p>No</p>
<p>I think that the intent of the temporary installation is very positive, but I think there are too many new things going on for most people to comprehend. As I described above, the intent of the purple painted faux bulb-outs and the white wavy barriers are not clear to the average person that doesn't pay attention to those kinds of things normally while driving.</p>
<p>I've talked to many neighbors and all of us have agreed that the situation is frustrating. We are looking forward to it being removed. And that a stop sign at 7-Eleven would be far more beneficial than the one at cat and cloud.</p>
<p>None</p>
<p>Please remove the entire new lane changes and leave the 4 way stop signs at critical intersections.</p>
<p>More police presence on portola would be nice. People drive too fast and don't make complete stops at interceptions. Bicycles rarely stop at busy intersections as well.</p>
<p>No</p>
<p>It makes the traffic much much worse!!</p>
<p>Please don't let your judgement be defined by the negative and loud voices. There are many who would benefit who are not so loud.</p>
<p>I hope this temporary installation is NOT made permanent. As a resident who lives in Portola drive it is highly inconvenience. I have also nearly been hit by a bus while driving as they had to quickly merge into the middle lane due to the mandatory turn lanes made out of the #2 lanes.</p>
<p>The demonstration caused traffic problems which causes frustrated erratic drivers. This addition causes more problems, and obstructions in the roadway. Merging traffic can be more dangerous for other drivers.</p>
<p>Please consult with experienced cyclists. The changes that were made are dangerous. The changes are confusing and not standard. They distract drivers and hide cyclist. You have only succeeded in making this a section of road to avoid when cycling or driving.</p>
<p>Take it down return it to the old way</p>
<p>Not a good area for a two lane road. I've noticed day after day that the project does not take away the speeding vehicles through the intersection of Portola and 41st Ave</p>
<p>No thanks.</p>
<p>Just please get rid of it all, put it back to the way it was.</p>
<p>What did that cost?</p>
<p>The planners of this obviously never used the area before</p>
<p>Don't screw up traffic!</p>
<p>There's roads and areas that needs more attention for the safety of bikers and walkers other than Portola such as in narrow areas after the Pelican Inn going to and from the Harbor.</p>
<p>DO NOT MAKE SINALGE LANES</p>
<p>This was a waste of taxpayer dollars and the county officials should be dismissed for ever allowing this. Wasteful.</p>
<p>No</p>
<p>The orange round barriers have been moved. Please place them back to original space</p>
<p>Nope</p>
<p>Is there no better way to address safety for pedestrians and cyclists than to narrow a very heavily used 2 lane throughway??? Portola is the main artery for traffic for many many people!!</p>
<p>Stop wasting tax payers money on science projects driven by very special interest groups</p>
<p>As a resident and owner in the Pleasure Point area it seems that all residents do not like this installation and is very ugly and needs to be taken down</p>
<p>This project makes life for locals who need to use these streets daily really inconvenient and even more time consuming with the increased traffic. It is not in our community's best interest.</p>
<p>No</p>
<p>Give us our car lanes back! Create some more parking spots but the bike lanes were sufficient.</p>
<p>No</p>

Thanks for the stop sign at 36th. It's a shame to see money was wasted on finally getting road crossing lights at that intersection just to be turned off months later. But the stop sign is safer.
It's a mindless decision the least. Worst "improvement" ever. More traffic and unsafe for us how walk or bike in the neighborhood
I think it was crazy to install such a mess without any warning to the community. I don't remember voting for any such "improvements". I live right there and will be impacted everyday. I already have to stay away from 41st and portola because the traffic there is such a mess.
The westbound traffic at the 38th stop sign backs up on occasion into the 41st intersection. Need to figure out how to funnel cars through the intersection more efficiently -- maybe make left turn lane left and through traffic (?)
Keep the Stop sign at 36th Ave.
I'm concerned that there is talk of adding more parking. More parking just means more cars, more traffic, and less safety.
No
Liked the painted street. Not so much taking away a lane for car traffic. Enforce the stop signs so pedestrians don't get run over!
It's like trying to turn Portola into something it isn't.
Many people are not respecting the new stop signs causing danger for pedestrians
Nice if we all rode bikes (or were able to), didn't travel more than a mile or two regularly, and didn't have to carry more than you could carry on a bike backpack. The rest of us have to drive cars. I'm all for small and energy efficient (electric), but this "solution" just forces cars to use more time and energy on alternative routes.
just doesn't make sense to choke the traffic up
Something needs to be done with the 30th intersection. There have been several accidents there and so many near misses. If they are going to leave the 4 lanes starting there than there needs to be a way for us to turn out of the neighborhood.
No
Go back to 4 lanes.
It feels more unsafe driving now than before. I never felt unsafe biking or skating down portola
Take it down. There has never been traffic and now there is. Do not change portola!!!
Please return Portola to the way it was. This bike lane is such a waste of time money and all it does is create traffic and confusion in a very busy neighborhood. We need a thorough fare through the area other wise (like what has been happening) people will speed through the neighborhood trying to get around the back up. I live on 38th half block down from portola and there has been a serious up tick of cars speeding up the street and turning right to get back on Portola. Please get rid of this disaster. Thank you.
Please. Fix. The. Thrashed. Roads. In. This. Terrible. Maintained. County. (Before you do "art" installations on the just fine roads.) Maybe repave green valley rd or fix Hazel Dell or a plethora of other roads that are literally falling apart.
I can't understand the logic behind this installation. It's ridiculously confusing.
no
Remove it asap
If you want to create a greener and brighter Santa Cruz, it will take a lot more than altering current roads to be bike/pedestrian friendly. I would suggest looking at the railroad and converting that into a bike path/walkway...
Who thought this was a good idea?!
The only good thing is the stop sign you have put up on 36th and Portola. It is necessary to slow things down, and let people turn easier.
Remove it as soon as possible.
Do not make permanent.
Make Portola two lanes again- stop the madness
Safer streets for cyclists will increase cyclists on the roads, this makes for a more livable community. it would be great if portola could be a more walkable/ridable street.
No
Biggest complaint is that it will create congestion with more cars idling in stop sign queues.
Focus more effort on areas of town that have no bike lane / constantly blocked bike lane such as twin lakes beach, areas near the harbor, areas in front of cabrillo college, areas near sea bright
I like the colors painted on the road along the route, very fun
Look like it was designed by a 6th grader
This is a terrible program.
Do not do this again.
How much did this cost us?
I would like to thank the County and Ecology Action for taking the time to complete this demonstration. It is very sad that this event was vandalized by short-sighted, ignorant neighbors who are operating in their own self-interest and clearly did not attend the community meetings where these demonstrations were discussed. We need safer streets that are pedestrian and bicycle oriented and don't just cater to automobiles, but sadly it sounds like NIMBYism will win the day. Pleasure Point likes to pretend to be progressive, but sadly it is really just a bunch of rich white people in flip flops who fear change or anything that will upset the status quo. Shame on our neighborhood, but kudos to the County for your efforts!
Unhappy with the execution of this demonstration. I don't think it was well thought out or I don't think it is echo friendly since it is keeping cars on the road in a particular area remitting poison for a longer period of time.
I think I've made it clear that this design is ridiculous
Slow down Portola Speedway!
Need different designers for these projects. And you should probably hire a civil engineer. The design group clearly was lacking an engineer.
No, thank you
No

Nice try but it doesn't help bicyclists that rarely use Portola
Please return Portola Drive to the way it has been working perfectly for years with respectful motorists, cyclists, walkers and joggers in unity. Since this installation the traffic has backed up and it's chaotic now. It's causing problems for residents and businesses on Portola Dr. No new installation return Portola Dr to previous.
I've heard this project described as "gentrification." I don't understand how that word applies to a project that makes bicycling and walking safer for residents and visitors alike. I also think we should prepare for a future that relies less on cars and more on bikes and other forms of transportation, so this seems very smart to me.
It's an eyesore.
please put it back the way it was
This is a poor idea that was executed without community approval/feedback. The changes don't do anything to enhance the experience for bikers and walkers. I'd like to see Portola go back to the way it was.
N/A
It seems strange to do things to inhibit the huge flow of automobiles using our streets just to make bicyclists safer - such changes just anger people and some then resort to terrible choices. I might feel differently if bicyclists followed the rules (such as stopping at stop signs, signaling, etc., but way too many do not.
Really bad traffic congestion. Disappointed. I won't drive in that area any more.
Lose this idea. Need two lanes each way. Traffic is BRUTAL enough as it is. Portola is a back way to Capitola that WAS faster. Bad ideas to change it
No.
I'm sorry you dealt with vandalism -- we love your efforts here!
If these changes are implemented, Portola will be a fiasco.
My friends that are cyclists said that the height of the barriers interferes with their handlebars making navigating the lane difficult. One even got caught on the barrier and fell off her bike! Bad planning, bad design.
As a bicyclist, I would be afraid of getting entangled in the silly white wiggly divider that prevents free movement on the roadway. I have cycled in Los Angeles with way less hindrance!
REMOVE THIS CHAOS ON PORTOLA
Get rid of this kind of distracting crap...
I still unsure about what the white barriers are for. I don't feel safer biking within it. Just feels more claustrophobic I do like the flashing lights at the cross walk. Need a stop light at 41st and portola. That would ease everyone's anxiety. Pedestrians and cyclist and cars would know when to cross the street safely
Put it back....! You are messing with something that didn't need messing with.
Leave pleasure point to the locals to figure out.
you have put walkers and bikers in jeopardy. Plus you actually put parking on this section complicating the visual field even worse
I especially like how the left turn and the straight turn for cars are one lane and right turn is the other lane. This makes the folks in cars going straight slow down because they have to wait for folks going right.
I've been driving through Portola for 4.5 years. I saw no change in traffic or travel time when going through the new bike/pedestrian installation even at 4:00 PM the Monday of a holiday weekend (4th of July). I think it's great to bring new traffic ideas especially ways to encourage walking and biking by making people feel safe or like they are in a destination. I also note that the Pleasure Point Street Fair completely closes the street for part of the same section of Portola for a day each summer, and the neighborhood survives. Keep up the good work!
It is worth considering the address of the residents for this project. I live just off Roland (up 35th), and we organized a small neighborhood block party on July 4th. This project was a frequent topic of conversation, and the feedback was generally positive by everyone who lives on our street. My opinion is that most people who live on this side of Portola find Portola to be difficult and sometimes dangerous to use because of speeding traffic and distracted drivers. Anything we can do to slow down traffic is going to improve safety. We also want a more friendly walking neighborhood, something that a fast 4-lane Portola does not offer.
Please do not cut down those beautiful trees. Have you ever seen the magnificent sunset through out their branches. Cutting them will make the street very barren, will reduce the cleaner air, and oxygen, and will decrease the amount of carbon dioxide.
No
I would prefer a safe hike lane with fresh yellow visible paint, but not take away drivers lanes at the same time. This created too much traffic and danger with long lines of car backed up and frustrated commuters.
I'm a huge advocate for improving the ped/bike infrastructure on Portola. However, I was at the 38th park one afternoon and overheard other folks absolutely trashing the project. (In typical, "I've lived here forever and am adverse to any change" Santa Cruz locals fashion). Regardless, I engaged in conversation and they had some good points, namely, the adverse affects of turning cars down 36 and 38, and the confusion of the design. I left the conversation wishing that the pop-up installation had been a bit more conservative (e.g., try out the stop sign and painted lanes) rather than throwing the whole enchilada at it at once. That way, folks that are reticent to change might be able to stomach it a little more rather than fully throwing up their defenses. In any case, again, I love the stop sign and the "better defined" bike lanes. That's a great place to start.
I think all of the parking spaces on Portola could be removed. They're just not necessary
There is not enough bike traffic on Portola to justify this. All it did was make vehicle traffic much worse.
money would be better spent in fixing pot holes and repaving and remarking streets
Who decided to do this without notifying the public about changes that will affect traffic. Not smart thinking for Supervisor Manu Koenig.
Keep the stop signs at 36th street and Portola, remove the stupid turn lanes. I can not ride a bike, now as a disabled person I have to wait in even MORE traffic.

The community should have been better informed that this was taking place. It's easy enough to let people know things happening around town on multiple platforms and media formats.
It was great having the bike lane separate, it feels much safer- however, if we had the Greenway we wouldn't need this on portola so much. I'd prefer a trail only option on the old rail line because that would be even safer as well as a more pleasant experience to use
No
Na
The person who designed it should get a different job.
I appreciate the idea of making Portola Ave safer for all traffic (vehicle, bicycle, and pedestrians). Making a parking space out of a traffic lane puts vehicle drivers and passengers at added risk. The driver has to exit into a traffic lane and a passenger has to exit into a bike lane (additionally, the wavy barriers block the car door from opening fully). The 4-way stop signs at 38th and 36th greatly help both vehicle drivers and pedestrians. Any changes to Portola Ave shouldn't be made at the expense of vehicle traffic. Creating a daily traffic jam is not the answer.
Portola Drive can be more than a mini express way for pass through vehicle traffic.
No
Will be nice to go back to how it was, leaving the color designs on the pavement.
No
The way it is now is very confusing as to where to go. I think the 4 lanes are better, less traffic back up, the center turn lane is not that great. When turning left onto 37th from Portola using the center lane, the cars coming from the other direction wanting to turn left into the shopping center are coming head on at you. Not very safe center lane. Not sure if any other areas involving the center lane are like this, but does not seem safe at all. I think this configuration now actually makes a pedestrian or biker feel less safe.
you are blocking the mail box for drop off from portola
I think these sum it up pretty nicely
Please consult with a qualified urban planner.
I am a huge fan of bike lanes and bike commuting oh, but this project actually makes it more dangerous because it creates so much chaos with cars that drivers are focusing on the traffic more than cyclists. This project was horribly conceived and I hope it is removed. I think it does more damage than good because it makes driving so horrible that they resent bike lanes. I very much want to support and encourage bike commuting and bike Lanes, but this is not the way. I don't feel safer on my bike and it is a nightmare in my car and it promotes anger and animosity between drivers and cyclists. Please undo the current merging car Lanes and just make the bike lane green and more visible.
Eyesore, ugly, not needed
I live on 35th Ave and have been eagerly anticipating the new portola concept. I am so excited to see the permanent installation next year. The current street is dangerous to pedestrians and cyclists and there is no need for 4 lanes on this small stretch of portola. Thank you!
Please make it permanent! Thanks for doing this
No.
Manu, your initiative is stunning. And I'm so happy and proud you were elected. This project however, for me anyway, is a detriment rather than an improvement.
Why did this costly installation go in without taxpayers voting on this? Total mismanagement of public funds. I'm appalled.
Bike and pedestrian access along the rail corridor would be phenomenal, let's work together to make that happen!
I was born in SC and have lived here almost all 60 of those years, and this is absolutely one of the worst choices to planning to date.
NA
The road actually feels more dangerous than before.
N/A
No
I think it is wonderful to make more streets safe for biking and walking. Portola was already fairly bike friendly so I don't think the change is that dramatic. If extra protection was added for bikes on busier roads (like Soquel Ave) I think the benefits would be more obvious to more people. Just a suggestion :)
Stupid, Unsafe, Ugly. Please remove immediately
I would be up for a recall over this issue. Take care of existing issues in our district, roads, sewers, homeless encampments to name a few.
Cancel this project. It is a waste of Santa Cruz money. It gets me mad that I pay so much in taxes when it is used for such wasteful projects. This does not help with traffic. It creates it!!!
No
leave it 2 lanes in each direction. the flashing peds are great and have helped alot. if you want to do anything maybe add a few stop signs to slow traffic
I can not wait for the trail on the train tracks!!!! I was born and raised in Santa Cruz and I truly believe that if the trail was created more people would bike on a daily. I use to commute to UCSC from New Brighton area and stopped after almost being hit a couple of times! If the trail was complete I would use it everyday!!
Make it permanent in some form, as it slows auto traffic down to a safe level.
Take it down! Santa Cruz already has plenty of bike lanes and sidewalks, no need to create more traffic. People are so stupid to put this up.
Please take into consideration the safety of the community and remove the project
Nice idea, not practical to reduce lanes in area with so much traffic.
Thanks for making this happen!
No, thanks (all above)

It's terrible
I want bikers to be safe and regular traffic to flow. The stop sign at 36th isn't the worst idea but the single lanes aren't working with the amount of traffic. A signal light has been needed at 41st and portola is pretty overdue with all the foot and bicycle traffic.
Hooray for the stop sign at 36th, now get rid of that yellow flashing pedestrian light.
Pave the train tracks
I know it's hard for drivers to get used to the idea of giving up space on the road. I hope that doesn't discourage these kinds of changes. We also need better/more public transportation.
The electric bikes that travel very fast along the walkway from the Hook to the point are going to kill someone. They need to be banned from that stretch of the sidewalk.
I usually stop on 41st to pick up dinner, but the backed up traffic from 38th street stop sign is no longer worth it. Sometimes it's backed up to the stop at 41st. As a driver, if installation remains in place, I will most likely avoid 41st to Portola and no longer frequent those businesses.
3:30 on a Wednesday afternoon traffic westbound was backed up from 38th Ave past 41st Ave. 41st intersection was a cluster unlike I've ever seen it. Flow was poor.
Nope
It creates way more traffic
Thank you for the zoom meeting. I appreciated all the comments and look forward to seeing the future plans.
I think that we need two lanes for thru traffic on Portola. Generally most motorists are respectful of bikes and pedestrians in my experience. Please put it back to the way it was as far as thru traffic lanes but keep the hoops or put a cement barrier to separate bike traffic. I wonder if 41st and Portola would benefit from a round about? to help traffic flow. Thanks
Plan these experiments better and don't force feed neighborhoods
Hope taxes didn't fund this mess.
Listen to the people in the neighborhood and not just the cyclists.
As a business owner on Portola, this is negatively affecting my business. I am being told comments such as "I only come in here when I absolutely have to now because I hate what they have done to Portola". or "This is as bad as it is in Capitola Village or I stay away from here now" or "Is there anything you can do to have them put it back to the way it was? If not I'm just going to have to fine other places for my business."
Please do not over-weigh the complaints of the some drivers in determining the permanence of the changes. Despite the wide sidewalks, Portola can be very hostile for pedestrians. The only reason that I have not been run over on Portola in the 20+ years that I've been walking in the area is that I am extremely cautious and do not assert right-of-way against drivers that are not paying attention or driving too fast. In terms of traffic flow, it seems that the biggest issue is the additional stop sign causing back-up due to close vicinity to a merge and other stop signs. It may not be necessary to have the additional stop sign if the entire Portola stretch was changed to a single lane because slower cars on narrower roads are more likely to yield to pedestrians in a crosswalk. Finally, I would like to thank the effort of local staff to implement the pop-up and consider community input. I would also like to apologize for any abuse they received while doing the work or as feedback for this project. I am personally not sure that temporary traffic installations are the best idea for gauging traffic benefits because of the fragility of the installation and the overly emotional response of some drivers to the slightest of inconveniences, but I absolutely applaud the efforts of local staff and planners to do right by the community.
What a waste of money to mess up a perfectly functioning road to cause a traffic mess everyday.
This was a total waste of time and money.
I'll just repeat that it's a shitshow
Left turn from Portola to 37th and left turn from Portola into shopping center at 37th merge head on in the center turn lane, not safe
I think where possible it would be better to give drivers more time to adjust and more obvious signage for something new like the lanes on Portola suddenly merging as you turn onto it from 41st.
The right turn lanes on other than 38th do nothing except back up traffic when going east.
No
I appreciate you trying to fix this it does need help. The whole Point from 17th Ave to 41st needs safe sidewalks and bike lanes. I think changing to one way streets as a solution because of the narrowness of the roads would work.

<p>thank you for the opportunity although this design and survey and seems quite biased toward bike commuters who don't live in this neighborhood and have better through-town options (hopefully including a no-rail trail). will I "use the facility" is a silly question for those who live in the neighborhood and have no choice of using portola to get to/from anywhere on foot, car or bike though I've been avoiding as much as possible because the confusing distractions have created more hazard. I don't see the parallel parking outside the bike lane practical since drivers in 1 lane will have to allow a car length in front in order for the car ahead to back into a parallel spot or to allow a parked car to exit into already backed up traffic. If drivers and cyclists were actually courteous, aware and law-abiding, we wouldn't have the hazards that exist and might not have to do any of this! Clearly marked bike paths with reflector dividers as done on water street would be a better solution for portola bike lanes. We should focus more on road safety for those who live in this neighborhood, like keeping the stop sign at 36th, slowing traffic and increasing law enforcement. Local residents and bike commuters might use the scenic east cliff drive if that path was more clearly marked with stenciled markings on the ground along East Cliff dividing the 2 way bike path from walking path section where mindless pedestrians take up all the space walking in groups 6 people wide with their extensor dog leashes stretched across any remaining space or stand around loitering in groups with their bikes, strollers and surf boards sideways blocking the entire width of the path. I also didn't see any indication of long-needed sidewalk safety improvements for disabled/wheelchair and pedestrian access. overall, creating a middle turn lane with 1 driving lane each way for the entire proposed stretch of portola could be an improvement for the neighborhood as long as law enforcement prevents the turn lane from becoming the high speed passing lane as currently practiced in the left lanes. A traffic assessment is essential before making any permanent changes, including where/how to add parking with safe access to/from the road considering the reality of rude drivers, spaced out pedestrians and self-entitled cyclists as well as safe turns to/from the avenues (not bumped out curbs that do not increase pedestrian visibility and force drivers and cyclists into each other).</p>
No
There is adequate bike lanes, restripe/increase markings visibility. Converting to one lane is causing congestion on Portola and neighboring streets. Very distracting. Would hesitate to use business' because congestion makes it hard to go in/out of parking
I think cars are not happy because they don't like change. But once the changes become permanent, I foresee more people walking and riding on the bike lane, thanks to the barrier, and cars just getting used to it.
Get rid of these barriers and crazy lane changes. It's an accident waiting to happen. What a disaster!!!
Who ever thought this up, should be assigned to a different position with more supervision so this kind of stupid, tax payers money wasting projects done happen again.
None additional. These should be several public community hearings for ample input if this is still on the table after July to hear both sides of the issue.
I don't think was the area for this. The bike lanes were sufficient, people don't dangerously speed through this area, there are plenty of safe areas to cross the street. All this installment did, was cause more issues, more traffic, and a lot of frustration
It was a terrible experience!
I got the impression it was underfunded so Manu could have an excuse kill the unpopular project and still give lip service to supporting cycling and pedestrian improvements.
The neighborhood does not like it at all
This demonstration does not reflect the essence of the community and furthermore they are ugly and tie up traffic unnecessarily.
This was an area that already has good bike lanes and sidewalks, reducing a lane of traffic just seemed to create congestion which means more idling cars and exhaust fumes, making me less likely to want to walk or bicycle in the area
No
My understanding is that no traffic study was done prior to this installation. That is bad planning, doing a traffic study after the install is removed is not a good control. in addition all of this is occurring during a pandemic, when traffic for the businesses in this corridor is greatly reduced. No decisions/final plan for active transportation should be made until we are at least 6 months post pandemic, and traffic studies both before and after can be completed. there are several large lots on Portola drive that have yet to be developed, but that will greatly increase traffic entering and exiting onto Portola and the plan should take future development into account. i.e., reducing any portion of Portola to one lane makes no logical sense for cars, bikes, or pedestrians. In order for all to remain safe, the lane closest to the businesses need to be available for access on/off Portola without stopping all traffic. I would also think Fire would be opposed to decreasing their route. Lastly, for now, several additional public meetings should be held prior to Ecology action finalizing their plan for Active Transportation (very clear in the meeting that this is their plan, they are not a county agency and have their own agenda).
Do not make it permanent
Please put a light at 41st
I didn't see many people bike or walk here before or after the demo
Elderly will not bike in this county please represent the majority that elected you.
I was very disappointed by the immediate negative reactions to the demonstration event. Felt that many did not even give it a chance to be considered and evaluated.
Eljm in Nate all barriers and new lane management. Perhaps just green markings in the bike lane and NOTHING MORE
Seems like good option to SLOW traffic down .
Other than hate? I think that covers it.
Put back to 4 lanes, stop sign at 36th, green bike lanes, maybe signs at 41st for pedestrians saying " pedestrians wait your turn " , by not stopping and waiting their turn they cause traffic confusion.
N/a
Please do not make this permanent!!!!!!!
not sure that this was the best place for a demonstration; while the 2 traffic lanes each way afforded an opportunity to eliminate a lane, two lanes by an existing bike lane already afford an opportunity for motorists to have options while passing cyclists; a better demo would have been on a 4-lane street with no bike lanes temporarily adjusted to a 3- lane street (one middle turn lane) with bike lanes.

the only good thing about this was the stop sign at 36th Ave. Otherwise, it has congested traffic and made local businesses harder to access. thanks for trying, please remove it.
Walkability and bicycle safety are highly encouraged in this short corridor. Keep that by encouraging drivers to route up 47th Ave and not speed cut-through into the neighborhoods along Portola Dr
The stop sign at 36th would not be necessary with two lanes of traffic and a turn lane with safety island for pedestrians.
Vases too much traffic backup in a popular corridor, esp on weekends. Many locals will just avoid street and go on Brommer to drive. Why cause more traffic?
When I rode my bike, I did not like the "cars yield to bikes" signs at every driveway, as they cut into the bike lane space, making it feel less safe than it did before the popup.
Need to find a way to make it easy for people to use the businesses on Portola such as the liquor store at Portola and 37th.
Please, regardless whether or not the protected bike lane comes back, put the stop sign back at 36th. It slows traffic to a safer speed on the corridor overall, protects the busy crosswalk, and allows for safer turns to/from 36th from Portola. A protected bike lane is always an improvement on a road, but with this one I think further redevelopment to separate it from parking on the north side, and straighten the sidewalk on the south side, would be necessary for long-term success.
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Please do NOT remove 1 lane of traffic. I do not see the need for the change or the money that would need to be spent could be better used elsewhere
Leave Pleasure Point as it is. It's perfect
I want to thank all those who worked so hard on this project.
Thank you! I think 2 lanes in each direction is probably needed on Portola. I was all for seeing what one lane each way is like but the traffic quickly backs up. Find a way to keep 4 lanes with a demarcated bike lane. Tough!
questions. what was the logic? why was it a problem to begin with?
What happened to the long-promised traffic study and citizen input for the entire Portola corridor? You didn't ask how long I've been a property owner in the neighborhood - 30 years!
I thought the traffic would be way worse
n/a
Personally I never felt like Portola was a dangerous road to bike, and the shoulders were manageable. Cutting two lanes of vehicle travel and adding another four-way stop held up the flow of traffic. I feel like the area could use roundabouts instead.
I can understand the intention, but this was poorly executed. Please, please do not leave the car lanes as they are now. As someone who drives this road every day—and bikes this road quite often with my family—I can't support this installation. The extra parking doesn't make sense, the purple stripes don't make sense, the flow for cars just does. not. make. sense. Just paint the bike lane green (widen it if you need) and call it a day.
Having a quiet, comfortable, fun (with cafe - beer, wine, coffee and snacks like the SMART train in Sonoma County) electric train is probably the greatest thing we could do in Santa Cruz County to relieve traffic and reduce greenhouse gasses. You should make it your #1 priority! Thanks!
good work
In that area, I always prefer biking on East Cliff over Portola for the beauty and safety. I'd rather go out of my way a bit to bike E. Cliff over Portola.
No
I was very disappointed that people reacted so negatively. I think anything that Helps bicyclists and pedestrians be safer is a step forward.
N/a
Portola has enough traffic and it was made worse, the installation is ugly and traffic is now routed right next to bicycle traffic, where as before half of the cars were in the left lane, away from bikes. Please leave Portola alone
Bad plan, unsafe, poorly executed
I like the idea of a protected bike lane, but reducing to one lane to add parking seems unnecessary.
thank you
I like the idea of improving this area's safety and bike friendliness, but this iteration causes more issues than it solves
This stretch of Portola Ave is one of the smoothest bits of car traffic in the county. Rarely any big traffic backups, not so many accidents (cyclists riding in the wrong direction and not according to vehicles rules are one minor problem - everywhere as well as here). The test implementation event caused horrific confusion & traffic. Frustrated drivers took to Pleasure Point side streets like Floral st in higher numbers and at greater speeds than normal. The whole event was a confusing frustrating mess for residents and drivers - unsafe for everyone involved! And COMPLETELY UNNECESSARY!

1) Purple/Black paint on street distracting and not intuitive on purpose of paint. Nothing to code or standard about it. 2) Yellow Barricades distracting, obstruct view, choked use of space, forced vehicles turning on to avenues, to drive in oncoming lane, dangerous, oppressive, depressing. 3) If road works need to be explained with 8"x10" plastic laminated paper then taped on lamp post = pathetic planning. 4) "Portola Ave.", is a main driving artery between Capitola and down town Santa Cruz. To reduce a section anywhere, especially in the pleasure point section, to single car lane is causes major back-up. During the frequent back-ups, cars are idling and putting out air pollution, causing much tension for drivers, causing delays in any directions. 5) I witnessed bicyclist choosing not to use the bike lane, as it caused slow downs for them, as no bike passing in bike lane and danger trying to navigate all of the parking, turning lanes, plastic guard rails.... What a mess. 6) The street parking was confusing, danger to drivers, people parking and bicycles. Too much movement in all directions. Step out of car into bike traffic? 7) I would like to know if the folks who are pushing this experiment actually live in my neighborhood. Are they experiencing the traffic back up, yet minimal bike use? 8) I would like to know how the experiment was able to proceed without approval by the county departments that regulate traffic. 9) Please provide all of the name of all the county people (high and low level), and politicians who in some way supported the demonstration. We want to know, so come time to vote, the "Portola negative experience of the "Portola Ave. Demonstration", can be exposed to all of Santa Cruz! Warning, this could happen to your neighborhood too! 10) I spoke to business owners on Portola that were not informed of experiment. They did not appreciate the lack of communication. 11) I live on the Pleasure Point Avenue effected by the experiment. If I painted your street purple and black, I would be accused of vandalizing the street and be fined at the very least. The paint is STILL there, so rude to push your colors and paint on us and then not properly clean up!!! 12) Where was the road research? Is the area know for bike issues? Do you know how many cars vs bike pass in all directions each day? We don't need dedicated turn lanes! 13) People were so upset, I constantly heard honking (noise pollution, I witness drivers distracted and confused running stop signs, debris on the road from the plastic barricades. 14) I do not think you folks even understand bicyclist, as the want to share the road move quickly, ability to pass... 15) I think someone is making money off driving the experiment. 16) I pay my taxes and building permits. I abide by the rules/laws. I do not think this demonstration was done by the rules/laws. 17) It is my understanding that at the kick-off party, folks that wanted to voice opposition, or stick up for their own neighborhood, were silenced at the public speaking level. This is a disgrace. I would like to know the name of the person at the microphone that would not allow the opposition a platform to speak publicly, not off to the side in quiet shadows. The public should know the name of all of the folks that suppressing our neighbor voice! 18) I have heard it was difficult for the bus to navigate all the barricades. 19) Blocking the mail drop. 20) Reducing parking on Portola, causing more parting on the avenue street. Not acceptable!

It would be truly helpful if we eliminated blowers, low flying jets, speeding car engines that have been modified to increase noise, speeding period, added crosswalks and bike lanes and enforced speeding around Pleasure Point.

The installation was sabotaged from the very beginning, with barriers being knocked down and cars parking directly in the bike lanes forcing cyclists out into traffic to get by. The sabotage made using the corridor during the test period more dangerous and unpleasant to use (hence my answers above). Overall, though, if the restrictions are observed I am very much in favor of it and hope they become permanent.

Please don't implement this - the street and traffic work well as is. When the event was in place, traffic was backed up for no benefit.

Don't repeat the demonstration or make it permanent.

No

traffic on a week day, loss of business for local establishments

Remove all but the stop sign at 30th

Revise

Om green valley farm equipment crosses the bike/walk path this leaves a lot of mud on the path and the risk of falling increases.

Please get rid of it

This has amde driving on Portola much harder. It showed up w/ no notive whatsoever. Terrible planning.

Portola Dr is one of the last roads in the county that works during rush hour. The neighborhood has been very used to bicycles for decades as well as pedestrians.

What happened to the pleasure point street plan we worked on? Don't like the concrete at all - Don't like the new parking spots.

I have lived here all my 60 years. I remember Portola as a two lane street. The four lanes were a much needed addition to reduce traffic.

Short term inconvenience due to infrastructure change - ballanced against -long-term benefits to maximum people.

Make the entire length of portola 2 lane w/ turning lane

I feel like any actions taken on Portola to encourage bicycling/walking/skateboarding is a good thing.

I appreciate your hard work very much. Keep going!

Please dont use plastic cups at the pop up. Water refill stations would be great.

Where are any signs that say "Give Bicycles 3 Feet" within SC County?

Portola is a major thoroughfare. What these changes have done is to drive traffic onto side streets where children bike. If we want to walk we choose east cliff or local streets.

I wish the diet were tried in more places and was a larger section of the road.

I suggest if you need to compromise, create a protected bike lane going north on Portola! We can bike to 41st on East Cliff, but their is no north bound bike lane on East Cliff

Some cars have driven through the installation

All in for increasing bike usage but I don't think constricting traffic is helpful.

Do not do this, Portola from 30th-41st is too busy for 2 lanes!

Please do not do this, leave the stop sign.

Lets meet again in 30 - 90 days.

Don't listen to the haters.

Thank you!

I love it

Thank you!

Thank you!

Thank you for all the hard work you do for our community!

I like the paint. At first, I thought it was graffiti, then I saw city people doing it. I said "Whaaat?" I think it is really cool. I am just house sitting. I came here because of family.