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I would like to submit a couple of comments prior to the 5th meeting of the working group, after perusing the materials to be discussed this week. Please distribute this to the members of the working group and please do directly answer the questions I pose.

Regarding a crossing at Ash & Page Mill Rd: The <u>VTA Bike Plan</u> contains a chapter on "Across Barrier Connections" (ABC's), which includes a section entitled "Category 3: Large Distance between Existing Crossings of Major Barriers". That document states that a mitigation is appropriate when a pedestrian or bicyclist is faced with an obstacle such as an expressway and "physical crossings of major barriers are more than one mile apart". As this portion of Page Mill Rd falls under the jurisdiction Santa Clara County, the VTA standard is relevant.

It would appear that a new crossing at Ash & Page Mill does not meet the VTA standard. What is the justification for claiming it is necessary? (See also page 92-of-100 of Appendix 6.1). Is the continued reference to a crossing at Ash & Page Mill Rd tied to the continued references to Sarah Wallis Park? NOTE: this intersection is *not* identified in section 5.1.4 of the BPTP2012.

In the <u>Plan Alternatives</u> slide deck, pg 18-of-33 contains the notation: "Ban Left Turns onto Ash from Pepper/Olive--Prevents neighborhood intrusion and cut-through traffic". Would an unintended consequence of that ban be added motorist traffic turning left onto Park Blvd? The proposed traffic restriction needs to be re-considered so that existing uses of the bicycle boulevard are not adversely impacted.

thank you for factoring these comments into your studies of the NVCAP area,

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