



# Prairie Cycle Club

P.O. Box 115  
Urbana, IL 61801  
prairiecycleclub.org

May 17, 2012

Honorable Don Gerard  
City of Champaign  
102 North Neil Street  
Champaign, Illinois 61820

Dear Mayor Gerard,

As members of the Prairie Cycle Club (PCC) Board we are writing to express support for the City of Champaign's ITEP grant request for the Windsor Road Complete Street Corridor project. The Prairie Cycle Club is a local not-for-profit group for Champaign and surrounding counties in East Central Illinois which organizes and coordinates bicycle events. We serve the needs of all types of bicyclists in the community.

Prairie Cycle Club promotes safe bicycling within the community and strongly supports efforts to upgrade infrastructure to "complete street" standards in order to safely accommodate all modes of transportation, including bicycling. Currently the Windsor Road bridge, and bridge approaches, are not complete and represent a significant safety hazard for anyone trying to cross the bridge on a bicycle.

The pending upgrade to the Windsor Road bridge by IDOT to include bicycle lanes and sidewalks along with the proposed ITEP application by the City to improve the bridge approaches with matching facilities will greatly improve safety in this growing area of southwest Champaign.

We sincerely hope you give strong consideration to the City's ITEP application and support the efforts to bring the existing infrastructure up to "complete street" standards.

Sincerely,

Richard Brannon, PCC Secretary

Michael Fuerst, PCC Webmaster

Robert Morris, PCC Publicity Coordinator

John Prince, PCC Activities Coordinator