

Post PWG #7 Comments on Document F policies

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4:42 pm, 1/27/13: Ben Horner-Johnson

Policy 203: Define "reliability" ... improved reliability sounds great, but what does it mean in the context of transit service, especially when compared to "improvements to increase transit speed, convenience, and comfort"?

Policy 205: No mention of bicycles in the second sentence, only "shared parking and pedestrian-oriented transit modes." First sentence includes bicycles explicitly.

Policy 208: "In urban areas" rather than "In the urban area" would be more accurate and also consistent with other policies referring to the urban part of the county.

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No policies in either "Stormwater Management" or "Other Vehicles" Are there going to be any urban stormwater management areas and/or policies?

What would be an "other vehicle" that we'd need policies about? Perhaps electric golf-cart like vehicles to allow transportation to/from the retirement complexes during daylight hours? I know there was a PAC member interested in that earlier in the process.

5:53 pm, 1/27/13: Tom Civiletti

This also concerned me:

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6:10 pm, 1/27/13: Charlene DeBruin

When I read reliability I thought it referred to maintaining a consistent schedule.

10:39 am, 1/28/13: Pat Russell

Hello all, thanks for sharing thoughts, Ben. The city of palm desert in coachella valley, ca has policies that apply to non-licensed golf carts being used on public streets. However, this issue may need state legislation to allow similar activity in our area, especially clarification re use on our bike lanes and trails, even sidewalks. Good argument for sidewalks to be at least six feet wide.

Licensed electric vehicles for use on public streets is spelled out in state statutes, but I have seen users on streets with 40mph speed limits, which I believe violates laws. So a street connectivity system designed for vehicles limited to areas posted 35mph or less is critical. It's also an affordable way for seniors and others to get around locally with less environmental impacts, smaller footprint, especially for some who cannot ride a bike or walk! But watch in those grocery aisles !