Midcoast Community Council

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To: James Porter, Director SMC Public Works

From: Lisa Ketcham, MCC Chair CC: Supervisor Don Horsley

Subject: Safety Concern on Prospect Way in Princeton

Prospect Way in Princeton is a busy through street which must accommodate emergency vehicles, large trucks, SamTrans buses, and which is also a Class 3 Bike Route and signed route of the CA Coastal Trail.

The south side of Prospect has a mid-block change in curb design. East of Denniston Creek there is a raised curb and sidewalk with a recessed parking bay, the same as on Capistrano. West of the creek the treatment is concrete valley gutter with parking off the pavement, the same as the rest of Princeton. At the creek the recessed parking bay ends and the raised curb/sidewalk bulbs out into the street for a 35-ft segment before the transition to valley gutter. Along this segment there is only 15 feet of road width from curb to centerline.

Apparently there is no prohibition of parking along this 35-ft curb segment even though vehicles parked there partially block the travel lane. All vehicles traveling eastward must then cross over the center double row of yellow reflectors into the opposing traffic lane in order to pass the parked vehicle.

What can be done to solve this hazardous situation, which will only worsen with continuing development and increasing traffic?

