

Public Interest and Support

Thank you for the comments on the Fernan Lake Road Safety Improvement Project received, both by mail and email, in response to the June 2003 project update. Examples of recent comments include:

- improving safety for bicycles;
- concern about disruption of rural lifestyles; and
- enthusiasm for the next public meeting on the project.

These comments are much appreciated by the project team. They will be added to those previously submitted on the project.



Travel lane width also affects safety. Alternatives that provide additional lane width where needed for safety, but retain narrower lanes in other areas, are being evaluated.



Focus on Safety

Since the last update, the project team has been developing and refining alternatives to make Fernan Lake Road even safer. Designing roads and highways to traditional standards for width and grade doesn't always guarantee desired levels of safety.

If all curves can't be concurrently straightened, perhaps because of topographic or environmental constraints, then traffic may approach remaining tight curves at speeds that are higher than desired.