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Oregon Parks and Recreation Department

**Proposed rule change:**

**Oregon Scenic Bikeways Rules**

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**Public comment:**

The term, bicycle, appears throughout these rules, including within the proposed changes.

I realize this recommendation will have agency-wide implications, but it's time to update the term "bicycle" to "cycle" for three reasons.

- Bicycle is not inclusive as many people use recumbents, handcycles, and tricycles.
- Bicycle is an archaic term that has been used for over 150 years. The English language continually evolves to address current needs and this should too.
- Perhaps most importantly, by referencing "cycles" instead of "bicycles", it may change the way we think about cycling and could lead to better design considerations.

Perhaps OPRD's Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Coordinator could weigh-in on this?



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**Public comment:**

As someone who uses most of these "Scenic" routes to go camping I am finding it that the bicyclist are in the road ways on blind corners on roads with speed limits of up to 50 mph. When creating rules for these Scenic Bike Routes please consider this and make sure there are shoulders wide enough and maintained for bicyclist and motorist safety. It is very scary to be pulling a 30ft travel trailer going 45 mph and come around a corner to a pack of bicycles in the middle of the road doing 5-10 mph. DEADLY combo!