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Letter of Informed Consent

Citizen Based Web-Mapping of Bike Collisions and Near Misses (BikeMaps.org)

As part of a University of California, Santa Barbara research project, we are interested in obtaining information regarding your cycling experiences. In particular we would like to know about any incidents that you have had. The data collected is completely anonymous. The survey should take approximately 5 minutes.

By logging onto this website and answering questions, you are consenting to participate in a study conducted by researchers from the Department of Geography at the University of California, Santa Barbara. All information gathered will be completely anonymous. Volunteers must be 13 years of age or older to participate. Parents or guardians may log the details for participants under the age of 13. Please be advised that once a volunteer participant has submitted their survey, it is impossible to withdraw this data at a later date given that it is fully anonymous. Also, the data may be used in additional future studies. Please be aware that data provided in this study could be linked to data collected in other studies (for e.g., hospital ER intake surveys) but no identifying information will ever be linked.

The data collected from this research will enable researchers and graduate students to study the patterns of bicycle collisions and near misses.

If you have any questions regarding this research, please contact Dr. Trisalyn Nelson, trisalyn@ucsb.edu

In addition, you may verify the ethical approval of this study, or raise any concerns you might have, by contacting the Human Subjects Coordinator at the University of California, Santa Barbara (hsc@research.ucsb.edu).