

**Quilcene Complete Street Project
Community Meeting
September 10th, 2015
Quilcene Community Center
Community Identified Problems**

The following is a transcription of the comments as recorded on the two flip charts at the front of the room as everyone in the room was given the opportunity to identify safety problems in the core of Quilcene on Highway 101. No effort has been made to edit or order the comments. Many people said "I agree with everything that has been said."

- Feels like there's a highway going thru a parking lot!
- Kids and adults just walking out on the highway without looking
- Blurred "lines" between where people walk and cars drive
- Entering highway and Center Road from school parking lot
- Young drivers are less experienced / Hwy 101 is too confusing
- School fence is too high...can't see
- Skate boards more in use now to get to school. They have no brakes!
- There is no visual signal and no audible signal for emergency vehicles to enter roadway
- Glare from sun makes it impossible to see oncoming vehicles at some times in evening.
- Appearance of town is also a safety issue/ people don't know where things are. People don't see this as a town. *Need sidewalks, curbs and gutters.
- Port Gamble is an example of a place people don't speed/it looks like a town.
- Dangers entering and exiting parking areas at stores and businesses.
- People passing those going at speed limit
- Forest Grove has a reputation--you speed and you get a ticket
- Only 5% of people who come down East Quil respect the speed limit
- School and kid safety
- Speeding results in these concerns. There is a lack of respect for 30 mph signs.
- School kids completed a survey. See the questionnaires.
- Kids walking from Henery's Hardware to Washington Street--no shoulder space.
- Crossing from Henery's to Columbia St./ the Presbyterian Church/Worthington Park.
- Left turns out of school parking lot especially when sun is in my eyes.
- Driving down LEFT side of highway. Nose to nose parking along west side of Hwy 101.
- My kids can't ride bikes on highway
- Drivers have to drive off road to avoid accidents.
- Center Road treated like a major highway
- Turn into E. Quil skidding.
- Kids coming to QVS must cross highway from residential area to "get candy bar".

- State Patrol drives thru Quilcene too fast
- Confusing town...hard to tell where things are. Need signs
- Lack of respect for speed limits and not much State Patrol ~~visibility~~ presence
- Lack of pedestrian walkways.
- Hard for emergency responders to safely turn onto 101.
- Poor field of vision
- A person walks facing traffic to be able to see traffic and respond if needed.
- Town should look better to give more impression that people live here.
- Shoulders are narrow at Columbia
- Speed limit too high
- Cars drive thru school parking lot to make U-turns.
- Bus stops are badly marked and dangerous to cross road to get to or from them
- Driving on left shoulder to go into Peninsula Foods and parking wrong way.
- Post office parking lot has the crossing traffic dance shown on the You Tube video.
- At Rogers you have only 4 seconds to see oncoming traffic due to roadway configuration
- Pedestrian safety is important as we have lots of walkers.
- Speeds too high
- Pedestrians crossing at bus stops aren't safe
- Road markings make it illegal to turn left into Habitat parking lot...therefore devalue roadway markings.
- Problem leaving Peninsula parking lot...left onto on 101 but then difficult to get onto Center
- Hard to recognize you are entering a town.
- People use shoulder in front of Mt. Walker Inn for U turns.
- Village Store access for too long a stretch along highway
- People have been passed as they slow to turn into Timberhouse and Peninsula Foods.
- Cemetery Road turn is dangerous because the 101 speed is too high.
- Should lower speed because a pedestrian has a much better chance of surviving if hit at a lower speed...at 40 almost no chance at 20 a better chance.
- The community garden has lost many volunteers single parents cannot bring kids to garden -- too dangerous.
- Can't walk safely on East Quilcene Rd as there are places with no shoulders.
- The look is of a highway thru a parking lot, not a place where people live and work.
- At Village store if you are going 30 mph, people will pass you.
- Passing lane between QVS and bank.
- People driving on 101 don't hear the fire truck and aid cars as they try to enter 101.
- Turn lane is used as a passing lane in center of town.