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CABO Position on

AIR QUALITY

Polluted air is a health hazard and a source of discomfort for bicyclists, and can be a deterrent to bicycling in general.

Bicyclists can be injured by poor quality air -- especially utilitarian riders who structure their daily patterns so that they must ride, regardless of air quality. Cyclists are concerned about the quality of California air, and particularly about motor emissions. Because cycling is practiced in close proximity to motor vehicles and cyclists are more directly exposed to vehicle exhaust gases than any other segment of the population.

Therefore:

CABO endorses air standard no less stringent than called for in current Federal requirements

and

supports that right of states to adopt more stringent or stronger than Federal legislation requires.

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