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Humboldt County Grand Jury
825 Fifth Street
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The following represents the City of Trinidad's response to the Grand Jury Report 2011-PW-01:

Recommendation 1: Provide greater education opportunities in the school system through community service and fraternal organization involvement.

Response to Recommendation 1: While the City of Trinidad supports efforts to encourage bicycle safety awareness, the City does not control nor direct educational offerings in the school system.

Recommendation 2: Establish an incentive program involving local law enforcement throughout Humboldt County encouraging safe bicycling by our youth to establish safe habits they can carry on into their adulthood.

Response to Recommendation 2: While the City of Trinidad supports efforts to encourage bicycle safety awareness, establishing such an incentive program cannot be undertaken due to insufficient staffing levels in the City. Additionally, Trinidad contracts with its law enforcement services with the Humboldt County Sheriff's Department and defers to that entity for law enforcement-related programs.

Recommendation 3: Encourage the fast-tracking of infrastructure improvements to make safe routes to schools and throughout individual communities safer for biking.

Response to Recommendation 3: The City of Trinidad, through its contracted Engineer, will aggressively seek funding for bicycle-related infrastructure improvements as opportunities become available.

Recommendation 4: Law enforcement agencies throughout Humboldt County should re-evaluate how bicycling laws are enforced.

Response to Recommendation 4: The City of Trinidad contracts with its law enforcement services with the Humboldt County Sheriff's Department and defers to that entity for enforcement of bicycle laws.

Very truly yours,

Kathy Bhardwaj

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