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I have just reviewed the draft digest re Closing the Great Highway.

May I make some comments/revisions?

The title "Reserving the Upper Great Highway as Public Open Recreation Space" is somewhat misleading in that it really should be "Closing the Upper Great Highway to Personal and Commercial Vehicles". Since this proposition provides no funding for building, improving, or maintaining a new park, it really isn't creating or reserving a "Public Open Recreation Space", it's merely closing the Great Highway to vehicles. The Great Highway will not serve as a "Public Recreation Space" until funding is provided to make the necessary improvements, traffic diversion mitigation, regulation of illegal activity like Fourth of July fireworks which has been occurring on the closed GH. It does little to address the known fallout of diverting 20,000 vehicles/day that use the Great Highway. It will merely close the Great Highway to motorized vehicles and the Great Highway will languish from neglect until such funding is provided.

I think it is important to accurately state what the actual impact is - closing the GH to vehicles but NOT assuring a public recreational space since there is no funding AND there are many other steps that need to be taken to convert an active traffic artery used by many users beyond SF residents (ie Peninsula residents who use it as the most efficient traffic route to the western part of SF).

Thank you.

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