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Please consider bicycling safety on this portion of U.S. 101. As a cyclist I find the highway extremely narrow in many portions and very dangerous for cyclists. I find it ironic that the State of Oregon has signs placed declaring 101 an Oregon Coast bike route with little to no improvements for cycling. The ideal would be a separate bike route off highway 101 though admittedly this would be difficult in places. ODOT needs to widen the highway shoulder wherever possible and on dangerous sections place solid barriers between the cycle path and the highway, especially in Yachats where numerous pedestrians use the south bound shoulder to cross the Yachats River in order to walk on the coastal road off highway 101.