

October 10, 2025

To Mayor and council.

Re: Signage on the straight section of Lakeshore Drive.

My concern with the amount of wildlife I have seen dead on the road of the lower Lakeshore drive over the past five years I have travelled it.

I am aware the city cannot put signs on every road as that is the responsibility of the driver to take due care and some incidents are unavoidable. However, this road is between Shuswap Lake, the bird sanctuary and Maguire Lake where many wildlife live.

This Spring I saw turtles, ducks/ducklings and pheasant with young all trying to cross with traffic. I can appreciate the city has removed some of the barriers making it easier for wildlife to cross but once on the road there is no signage to make drivers aware they may be crossing.

Seeing so many deceased wildlife is upsetting when I meet many people who come to our city specifically to visit and photograph the wildlife by the lake. Many of that wildlife have to cross Lakeshore road at some point in their journey.

Just since Winter I have seen deceased, turtles, pheasants, racoons, hawk, crows, ducks, multiple birds and pets on the straight section from downtown and the curves to the lookout. I cannot think of any other road in the city I have seen this many wildlife casualties.

I am asking Mayor and council to consider installing signage of wildlife crossing from the crest of the hill where the curves begin and at the opposite end where the straight stretch begins.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Tracey Mitchell  
Concerned Salmon Arm resident.