

Road Shoulder Hazards along  
Sterling Ridge – January 2015

Hazards on road shoulders, that could pose a risk to cyclists, were identified in January 2015 by volunteers from Bike The Woodlands Coalition.

The interpretation of what constitutes a serious hazard is subjective, and may vary between volunteers.

# Definition of hazard types:

1. **Lip:** lip protruding for several feet at least 1 inch above adjacent pavement
2. **Gap:** gap extending for several feet, in which bike tire could fall into
3. **Pothole:** hole that should be filled
4. **Rough area:** excessively rough area the should be fixed
5. **Maintenance:** not a danger to cyclists but something the county might want to be aware of
6. **Other:** items that don't fall into the above

# Severity ratings

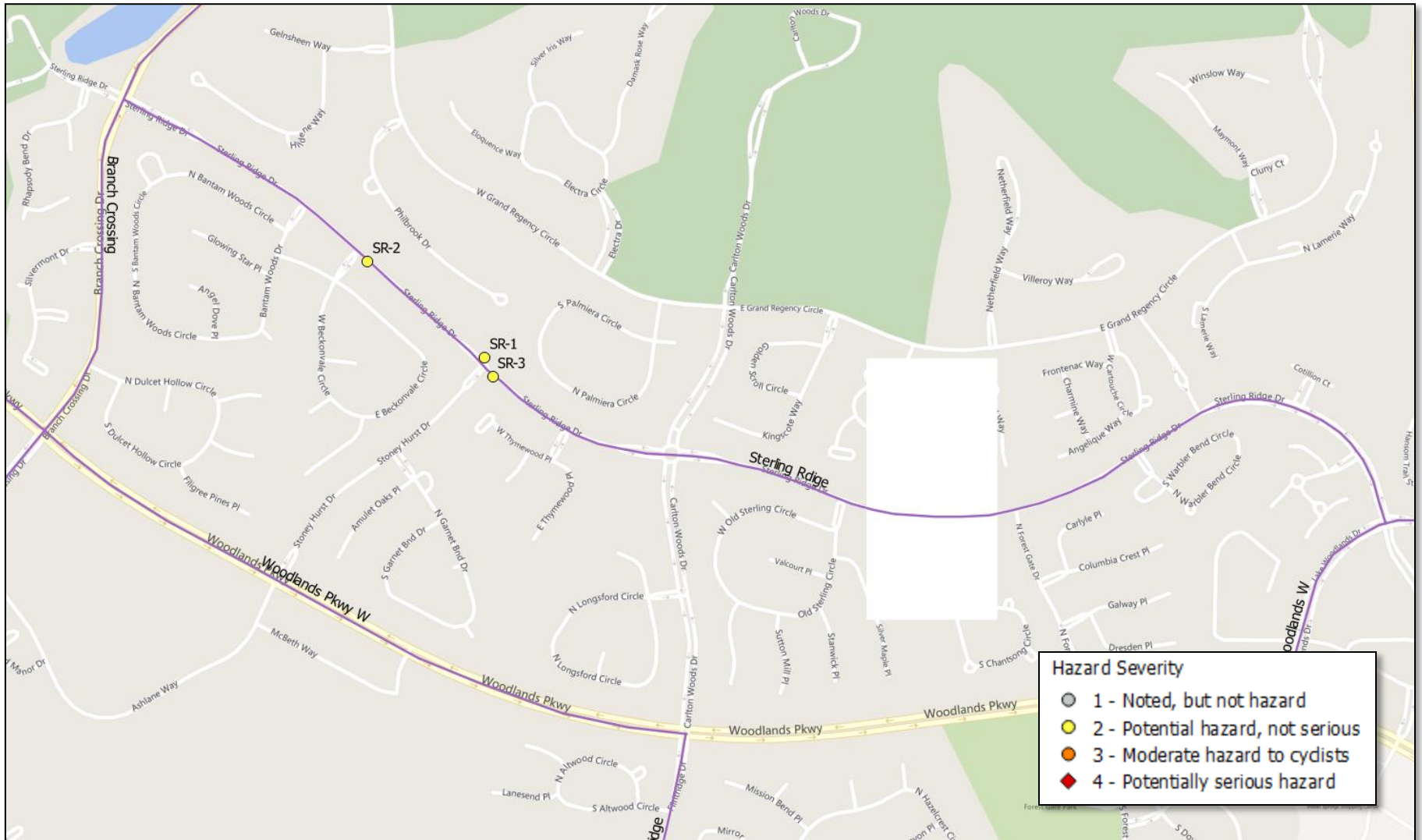
- **Level 4** - A serious and immediate danger to cyclists
- **Level 3** - Should be fixed soon; could be a danger
- **Level 2** - Potential hazard to note, but not very serious
- **Level 1** - Not hazard to cyclists, but something that the county might want to be aware of

## Hazards by road

	Distance, mi	Hazard level:				Total
		1	2	3	4	
Branch Crossing	3.51	1	5	4	1	11
Cochrans Crossing	3.26		2	9	8	19
Flintridge	3.46		5	5	7	17
Lake Woodlands	6.08	8	7	18	6	39
North Panther Creek	1.25		1	3	4	8
Shadowbend	1.86	1	24	12	6	43
Shadowbend pathway	2.61		12	1		13
Sterling Ridge	1.86		3			3
Terramount	2.31		1	2		3
West Panther Creek	0.98			12	1	13
Woodlands Parkway (West)	2.61		7			7
Woodlands Parkway pathway	0.94		1	2	1	4
	<b>30.73</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>180</b>

Distance is distance surveyed.

# Sterling Ridge Hazard Locations



Location SR-1  
Sterling Ridge  
Westbound

Hazard Type: Rough Area  
Severity: 2

Rough area causing cyclists to move on to  
road if possible.



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Location SR-2  
Sterling Ridge  
Eastbound

Hazard Type: Rough Area  
Severity: 2

Vegetation is starting to penetrate the perimeter of the patch.



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Location SR-3  
Sterling Ridge  
Eastbound

Hazard Type: Rough Area  
Severity: 3



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