Share the road + Arrows = Sharrows

The City of Livingston has received permission from MDT (Montana Department of Transportation) to install Sharrows on MDT urban routes within the City. Starting this week we will begin painting sharrows on H Street, View Vista, River Drive, Gallatin Street and 5th Street Areas. We will be putting up signs in the following weeks.

What are Sharrows?

Shared lane pavement marking or “Sharrows” are bicycle symbols carefully placed to guide bicyclists to the best place to ride on the road, avoid car doors and remind drivers to share the road with cyclists. Unlike bicycle lanes, sharrows do not designate a particular part of the street for the exclusive use of bicyclist. They are simply a marking to guide bicyclists to the best place to ride and help motorists to expect to see and share the lane with bicyclists.

What do Sharrows mean for motorists and bicyclists?

Motorists:

- Expect to see bicyclists on the street.
- Remember to give bicyclists two feet of space when passing.
- Follow the rules of the road as if there were no sharrows.

Bicyclists:

- Sharrows indicate where a bicyclist should ride in the travel lane.
- When parked cars are present bicyclists should ride centered over the Sharrow symbol.
- When there are long stretches of roadway without parked cars bicyclists should ride as far to the right of the roadway as practicable and allow vehicles to safely pass.
- Follow the rules of the road as if there were no sharrows.