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The Marvin Braude Bike Trail (also known as the Beach Bike Path, Coastal Bike Trail, The Strand, or the South Bay Bicycle Trail) is a 22-mile paved route that stretches along the Santa Monica Bay shoreline and extends from Will Rogers State Beach to Torrance County Beach. Many visitors and residents use the bike trail on a regular basis, making it a key thoroughfare for cyclists and pedestrians traveling along the coast. The majority of the trail is within the County’s jurisdiction and the responsibility of their Department of Public Works.

In February 2024, the region was struck by a historic winter storm that resulted in numerous power outages, mudslides, sinkholes, and other damage to public infrastructure. The intensity of the storm also caused substantial erosion of sand beneath the cement pathway of the Marvin Braude Bike Trail, which resulted in the collapse of a new section of the bike trail completed in May 2023. In light of the extensive damage that occurred, this portion of the bike trail was closed to the public until further notice. As this facility is widely considered the region’s most popular bike path with an estimated 10,000 people a day using the route, it is critical to restore it to public use as soon as possible.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council instruct the Department of Transportation, with the assistance of the Bureau of Engineering, Recreation and Parks, and the City Attorney, to report on the damage to the Marvin Braude Bike Trail as a result of the recent winter storms and Los Angeles County’s efforts to undertake repairs and restore the bike trail to public use.

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