CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Caltrans District 4 Bicycle Advisory Committee
FY 2011/12 Work Plan

1. Review and comment on Planning and Project Initiation Documents (PIDs) for compliance with Deputy Directive 64-R1. The projects which will be subject to this review are in flux due to funding constraints; projects reviewed and to be reviewed by the Committee are listed in Exhibit A.

2. Review and provide input and feedback on projects involving centerline and shoulder rumble strips installation on rural highways (see Exhibit A).

3. Track Caltrans project mitigation requirements which involve bikeway issues. The projects which will be subject to this review continually evolve and are listed in Exhibit A.

4. Update on Complete Streets Implementation Action Plan progress whenever milestones are reached or input is required (see Exhibit A for status update).

5. Identify/prioritize interchanges that present barriers to local and regional bicycle travel.

6. Track and comment on CA High Speed Rail project and impacts to bicycle travel.

7. Coordinate with local agencies' Bicycle Transportation Plans as they relate to the state highway system to solicit early input from Caltrans on local recommendations.

8. Review and provide input and feedback on Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) and other transit projects on State routes, which have the potential to impact bikeway facilities.

9. Review and provide input and feedback on routing and signage issues related to bikeways on and across State route, in particular to freeway shoulders that are open to bicycle travel.

Exhibit A to Work Plan: D4 Bicycle Advisory Committee Project Matrix

Tracking of Various Projects					
Project Name/ Responsible Agency	***Route & County***	***Issue***	***Since***	***Update***	***Status***
Centerline and Shoulder Rumble Strips (CRS, SRS), CT		Safety concerns when CRS are placed on roads with narrow shoulders	Jan 2009		
	SCL 9			• CT initiated project to provide wider shoulders at 61 locations; • Speed limit was reduced to 35 mph.	Resolved
	ALA 84			See Niles Canyon project below.	
	SON 121			• CRS to be placed on top of yellow line; • No SRS where shoulder is less than 4 feet; • On wider shoulders SRS shallow and extend 2 inches into the shoulder.	Resolved
Ralston Ave O/C Bike Lanes, CT and Local	SM 101	No bike lane striping on O/C	Jan 2009	Unresolved issue between Redwood City and CT in terms of who is supposed to do what.	No
Belmont O/C, Local	SM 101	Provide bike/ped access ¼ mi north of Ralston Ave	Jan 2009	Belmont O/C constructed with federal Stimulus money. Ribbon cutting Nov 19, 2011	Resolved
Solid Barrier on I-580, CT	CC-580	I-580 shoulder bike lane – request for solid barrier	April 2009	District evaluated and denied the request.	?
Niles Canyon Project, CT	ALA 84	Higher speeds, shoulder rumble strips and 3 narrow bridges (Ni8les Canyon II) are the main concerns	April 2009	• Project was introduced at Oct 2010 D4 BA where environmental, scenic and bike safety concerns were raised; • EBBC participating in regular stakeholder meeting on behalf of bike community.	Ongoing

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Shared Roadway Markings Installation, CT	SM 82	Request to install sharrows on El Camino Real in Milbrae between Linden Ave & Center Street	October 2009	Done?	?
Channelizers @ Skyline Blvd/ Skyridge Dr, CT	SM 35	Channelizers at I/S make I/S crossing difficult for cyclists	October 2009	• Site visits and meeting with local Home Owners Association to agree on solution; • CT initiated day labor work in July 2011.	Probably yes
I-280 Access during Construction, SF PUC & CT	SM 280	Open freeway shoulder segment to bikes during PUC's Lower Crystal Springs Dam construction project	April 2010	• CT reviewed and responded to SF PUC with conditions for allowing freeway access; • Conflict with planned CT freeway bridge maintenance project and costs for bike safety upgrades made the request unfeasible for SF PUC.	Yes
Bike lanes vs. bike routes, CT	SON 116	Locals and CT disagree over bike lane or route designation on rural Hwy 116	July 2010	• After much debate CT decided to provide "Bike Route" & "Share the Road" signs only; • County is now planning to stripe bike lanes through encroachment permit.	?
Scofield Bridge Replacement Bike Detour, CT	CC 580	Detour during bridge replacement on I-580 where shoulders are open to bikes	October 2010	• Shuttle service is proposed and will be provided to accommodate bikes during the 2-year construction period; • Bike counts were taken and found to be very low.	Resolved
Whitehall Lane Rail Crossing, CT	NAP 29	Road crosses track at acute angle	January 2011	• Caltrans NAP 29 project to include safe bike lane crossing at Whitehall Lane scheduled for construction in 2013/14; • Caltrans added striping, larger font signage to walk your bike; • Complicated Right-of-Way issues.	No

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Redwood Shore Parkway bike lane striping, Redwood City & CT	SM 101	Redwood City bike lane striping terminates at dual right-turn to NB 101 on-ramp	January 2011	• Redwood City submitted encroachment permit plus traffic study of HOV on-ramp volumes to CT; • Striping put in place Oct 14, 2011.	Resolved
Alpine Rd @ I-280, County	SM 280	No bike lane striping at on Alpine Rd @ right-turn only lane to SB I-280 SB		• Site visit with County and SVBC to discuss improved striping; • County is applying for funding to implement.	No
Dixon Landing O/C @ I-880m, CT	SCL 880	Dual right-turn, speed and grade	July 2011	• Committee discussed and agreed that short-term solutions are probably unfeasible; • Parallel 880 Bay Trail connector planned in the future.	No
Use of I-580 freeway shoulder	ALA 580	Request to use freeway shoulder to reduce travel distance betw Dublin/ Pleasanton BART and Las Positas College from 11 to 7 miles	Oct 2011		

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Review of Project Initiation Documents (PIDs)					
Project Name/ Sponsor	***Route & County***	***Issue***	***Since***	***Update***	***Status***
Bay Bridge West Span Bike/Ped Path, BATA and CT	ALA/SF 80	Gap closure on Bay Bridge	Oct 2011		
Holly Street I/C Improvement, San Carlos	SM 101	How bicycle travel will be incorporated in the I/C design	TBD		
Implement BRT from Palo Alto to San Jose, VTA	SCL 82	How bicycle travel will be incorporated in the BRT project	TBD		
Hearn Ave I/C Modification, Santa Rosa, CT	SON 101	How bicycle travel will be incorporated in the I/C design	TBD		
Clayton Rd I/C Reconstruction, Concord	CC 242	How bicycle travel will be incorporated in the I/C design	TBD		

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Tracking of CT Project Mitigation Requirements					
Project Name/ Responsible Agency	***Route & County***	***Issue***	***Since***	***Update***	***Status***
Mokelumne O/C, SR 4 Bypass Authority	CC 4	EIR mitigation requirement: Construction of O/C to connect severed trail segments	2003?	• Provided comments on Draft Transfer Report on Sept 16, 2011; • Response to comments by Bypass Authority: ECCRFFA funds (local developer fees) to be used for construction of O/C; • Amendment of Terms of Agreement between Bypath agencies: Agreement to expire only when all obligations are fulfilled.	Ongoing
Dumbarton Wayfinding Signage, CT	ALA 84 & SM 84	BCDC permit requirement: Provide Wayfinding signage to BART and Caltrain stations	2009 Seismic retrofit project	• Both sides (Fremont & Menlo Park) have decided on route alignment; • Details on implementation still have to be worked out.	Ongoing

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CT Policies & Procedures				
Caltrans Policy/Procedure	***Issue***	***Since***	***Update***	***Status***
D4 BAC Structure and Operations	Review/revise Charter, Operational Procedures and establish membership	April 2009	Completed. Charter adopted July 2010; Jan 2011: Official committee membership and election of chair and vice chair.	Resolved
Project Initiation Documents (PID) List	How to ensure timely review of PIDs by the Committee	At least Jan 2008	2011/12 PID list available.	Ongoing
DD-64-R1 Complete Streets (CS) Implementation	Provide update and input on Caltrans CS implementation	At least Jan 2008		
Highway Design Manual (HDM) Update		2009	• BAC provided input on Draft HDM Update on July 8, 2011; • Responses to comments will be provided via Internet; • Potentially 2nd internal review, which would delay release until March 2012; • Without 2nd internal review release anticipated for Jan 2012.	Ongoing
CA Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) Update		2009	• Committee provided input on CA MUTCD 1st Draft on June 30, 2011; • Committee provided input on 2nd draft on October 3, 2011; Comment period closed Oct 10, 2011; • 2011 CA MUTCD to be approved no later than Jan 1012; • Discussion of unresolved issues to be continued next year.	Ongoing
System Planning Guidance		2010	Caltrans is working on updating guidance for its long-range system planning documents to be finalized by June 2012.	Ongoing

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Project Initiation Document (PID) Guidance		2010	Caltrans prepared draft guidance for preparation of Project Initiation Documents to be integrated into Project Development Procedure Manual. Guidance includes "Complete Streets" components in **Transportation Planning Scoping Information Sheet.** To be finalized by June 2012.	Ongoing
Bike Path Restrictions	Daytime use restrictions	At least April 2008	• "Safe Routes to School" and "Bicycle Transportation Account" funding program reward 24/7 policy; • Comments on HDM update included 24/7 language if funded with transportation dollars.	Ongoing
Centerline and Shoulder Rumble Strips (CRS, SRS)	Request to study impacts of CRS and SRS on bicycling	At least April 2007	• 2001 study on SRS; • Moratorium requested in 2007 to study impacts of CRS and SRS on bike safety and demand; • Moratorium was denied when in 2009; • D4 to use Standard Plan A20B on conventional highways; • Further guidance pending.	Ongoing