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# COMPLETE STREETS AND YOU

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## WHAT ARE “COMPLETE STREETS”?

- A “Complete Street” is: *“A transportation facility that is planned, designed, operated, and maintained to provide safe mobility for all users, including bicyclists, pedestrians, transit riders, and motorists - appropriate to the function and context of the facility.” (DD 64-R1)*
- There is no one model of a “complete street” – context, community, and road user needs are key

# CALTRANS' COMPLETE STREETS POLICY

- Deputy Directive 64-R1 “Complete Streets”  
revised October 2008
  - *“The Department provides for the needs of travelers of all ages and abilities in all planning, programming, design, construction, operations, and maintenance activities and products on the State highway system.”*

# CALTRANS COMPLETE STREETS IMPLEMENTATION

- Complete Streets Implementation Action Plan (CSIAP)
- Highlight of Action Items
  - Highway Design Manual Update
  - System Planning Guidelines
  - Main Streets: Flexibility in Planning, Design and Operations
  - District 11 Complete Streets Focus Group
  - District 1 Non-Motorized Count Pilot
  - Complete Intersections

# COMPLETE STREETS IMPLEMENTATION

## ○ Structure

- Complete Streets Steering Committee
- Complete Streets Technical Advisory Committee

## ○ What's next

- 2012 Evaluation and Update – identifying barriers and successes, where we go next

# WHY COMPLETE STREETS?

## ○ Benefits of Complete Streets

- Increase physical activity, improve public health and safety
- Provide options and access for non-drivers
- Decrease vehicle trips, air pollutant and greenhouse gas emissions
- Improve livability, revitalize communities, and decrease transportation costs

# WHY COMPLETE STREETS MATTERS TO CALTRANS

- SAFETY and risk management
- Commitment to the Three E's: Environment, Economy, and Equity (AB 857, 2002)
- Help meet our GHG reduction targets (AB 32, 2006)
- Help partners meet local complete streets requirements (AB 1358, 2008)
- Manage capacity, deal with growth, and expand options for travel on the State Highway System
- Be proactive, avoid legislative mandates
- Support State policy to improve public health outcomes
- Support Department Goals

# COMPLETE STREETS EXAMPLES

District 1, SR 255 Arcata  
Before



After



# COMPLETE STREETS EXAMPLE

D3, SR 16 Capay Valley  
Before



After



# COMPLETE STREETS AND YOU: PUTTING IT TOGETHER

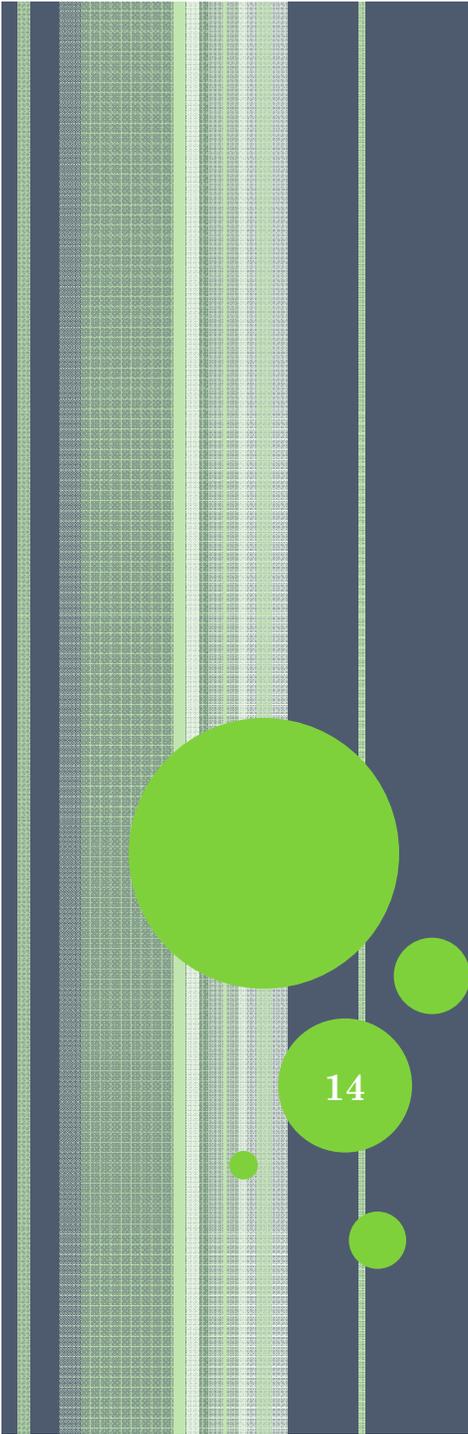
- Community Planning
- Regional Planning
- System Planning
- Projects Initiation Documents
- Districts in general

# COMPLETE STREETS AND EVERYONE

- Our duty is to be responsive to **all users**
- Every program and project is an opportunity to make improvements
- Step into the perspective of each type of user, keep your eyes open, and note dangerous situations

# RESOURCES

- Complete Streets Program website:  
[www.dot.ca.gov/hq/tpp/offices/ocp/complete\\_streets.html](http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/tpp/offices/ocp/complete_streets.html)
- SACOG Complete Streets Toolkit:  
<http://www.sacog.org/complete-streets/toolkit/START.html>
- Context Sensitive Solutions:  
<http://contextsensitivesolutions.org/>
- American Planning Association Complete Streets resources:  
<http://www.planning.org/research/streets/resources.htm>
- FHWA Bike/Ped resources:  
<http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/bikeped/>
- [www.pedbikeinfo.org](http://www.pedbikeinfo.org)
- [www.completestreets.org](http://www.completestreets.org)

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