

Regional Transportation Planning Agency - Local Transportation Commission
Monterey County Service Authority for Freeways & Expressways
Monterey County Regional Development Impact Fee Joint Powers Agency
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BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN FACILITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, February 5, 2020
Transportation Agency Conference Room - 55B Plaza Circle
6:00 PM

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1. ROLL CALL

Call to order and self-introductions. Committee bylaws specify that a quorum shall consist of a majority (7) of the number of voting memberships actually filled at that time (13); the existence of any vacancies shall not be counted for purposes of establishing a quorum. If you are unable to attend, please contact the Transportation Agency. Your courtesy to the other Committee members to assure a quorum is appreciated.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any member of the public may address the Committee on any item not on the agenda but within the jurisdiction of the Committee. Each member of the public is allotted with three minutes to address any concerns. Comments on items on today's agenda may be given when that agenda item is discussed.

3. BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA

Approve the staff recommendations for items listed below by majority vote with one motion. Any member may pull an item off the Consent Agenda to be moved to the end of the **CONSENT AGENDA** for discussion and action.

3.1 APPROVE minutes of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meeting of January 8, 2020.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

- **4.** Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Wayfinding Program:
 - RECEIVE update on the Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Wayfinding Program; and
 - 2. **PROVIDE** input on the high-priority routes and location of signs.

- Castillo/Williamson

The Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Wayfinding Program will install directional wayfinding, distance and confirmation signs to promote the use of safe routes by bicyclists and pedestrians. In addition to signing existing paved paths and bicycle lanes, the project will add newly-identified Class III bike routes.

- 5. ANNOUNCEMENTS and/or COMMENTS
- 6. ADJOURN

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Light refreshments will be provided

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CORRESPONDENCE, MEDIA CLIPPINGS, & REPORTS

Correspondence

Media Clipping

M 1. RECEIVE media clippings attached online.

Reports - No items this month.



TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY

Memorandum

To: Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee

From: Maria Montiel, Administrative Assistant

Meeting Date: February 5, 2020

Subject: Draft January Minutes

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

APPROVE minutes of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meeting of January 8, 2020.

ATTACHMENTS:

BPC Draft January 2020 Minutes

TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC) Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee Draft Minutes of January 8, 2020

Held at the Transportation Agency for Monterey County

at TAMC office 55-B Plaza Cir., Salinas CA 93901

Voting Members	APR	MAY	JUN	AUG	SEP	ОСТ	NOV	JAN
	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	20
Eric Petersen, District 1, Past Chair	Р	E	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р
Jack Smith – District 2	Е	Р	Е	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р
(David Tavarez)								
Mike Novo – District 3	Р	Р	Р	Е	Р	Р	Р	Р
Jeff Wriedt, District 4	Р	Р	Р	P(A)	Е	Р	Р	Р
(Frank Henderson)								
Martin Wegenstein, District 5	Р	Р	P(A)	Р	Р	Р	P(A)	Р
(Jeff Lindenthal)								
D. L. Johnson, Carmel-By-The Sea	Р	Р	ı	Р	1	Р	Р	Α
Del Rey Oaks - vacant	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Gonzales - Vacant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ernest Gallardo, Greenfield	Р	Е	Р	Р	E	Р	Е	Р
Michael LeBarre, King City	Р	Е	Е	Е	-	-	_	Р
Hans Hofmann Jr, Marina	-	-	-	-	Р	Р	Р	Р
Abby Ostovar, Monterey	Р	Р	-	Р	Е	-	Е	Р
Linda Petersen, Pacific Grove	Е	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Е
(Jung Hwa Kim)				-	-			_
Chris Flescher, Salinas, Vice Chair	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р
(Mark Lasnik)								
Elizabeth (Libby) Sofer, Sand City	-	Р	Р	Е	Р	Р	Р	Р
Jan Valencia, Seaside	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р
(Ralph Wege)								
Soledad - Vacant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vacant, MBUAPCD	-		-	-	-	-	-	-
Vacant, Monterey Salinas Transit	Р	-	Р	Р	-	-	_	-
Vera Noghera, Velo Club of Monterey	Е	Р	Р	Р	P(A)	Р	р	Р
(Alex Capelli)	_			-	. ()		"	-
Vacant, FORA	Р	Р	Р	-	-	-	_	-
N. County Recreation & Park District - Vacant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
James Serrano, Salinas Public Works	_		-	-	-	-	_	-
Raul Martinez – County Public Works	Р	Е	-	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р
Caltrans - District 5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vacant, AMBAG	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vacant, Pebble Beach Company	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Matthew McCluney - CSUMB	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Α

E – Excused VC – Video Conference P(A) – Alternate TC – Teleconference

TRANSPORTATION AGENCY STAFF	APR 19	MAY 19	JUN 19	AUG 19	SEP 19	OCT 19	NOV 19	JAN 20
Debbie Hale, Executive Director	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E
Todd Muck, Deputy Executive Director	Е	Е	Р	E	Е	Е	Е	Е
Ariana Green, Senior Transportation Planner	Р	-	Р	E	-	Р	E	Р
Maria Montiel, Administrative Assistant	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	E
Madilyn Jacobsen, Transportation Planner				Р	Р	Р	Р	Р
Stefania Castillo, Transportation Planner	Р	Р	Е	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р
Laurie Williamson, Engineer	Р	-	-	E	-	-	-	-

OTHERS PRESENT:

Frank Henderson District 4 Alternate Ralph Wege Seaside Alternate

Will Condon AMBAG Jen Acorn Public

Robin Lee Public Peter Nodzenski Pacific Grove

1. Chair Jack Smith called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. A quorum was established, and self-introductions were made.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Robin Lee made public comment to request Committee members to encourage the City of Salinas to reinstate a Bike and Ped Committee for the future growth area. Lee indicated that plans are beginning this week for the next development including recreational trails.

3. BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA

M/S/C Wriedt/Wegenstein/unanimous

- **3.1** Approved minutes of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee meeting of November 6, 2019.
- 3.2 Received and adopted 2020 calendar for meetings of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee incorporation four alternative meeting locations across Monterey County.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

4. FORT ORD REGIONAL TRAIL AND GREENWAY

The Committee received an update on the proposed Ford Ord Regional Trail and Greenway project; and provided input on the proposed project.

Stefania Castillo, Transportation Planner reported that the Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway project proposes a 28-mile long multi-use trail in the Monterey Peninsula that would connect with the existing Monterey Bay Coastal Recreation Trail at several locations. She noted that the Trail would primary consist of three loops — a northern, central, and southern loop — that roughly encircle the City of Marina, the California State University Monterey Bay campus, and the cities of Seaside and Del Rey Oaks, respectively. The trail would also traverse areas of unincorporated Monterey County and extend east to the City of Monterey linking to bike facilities in the Ryan Ranch Business Park.

Madilyn Jacobsen, Transportation Planner, documented comments shared by several Committee members and the public as Stefania Castillo presented on the Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway segments.

Feedback received on the Fort Ord Regional Trail and Greenway included questions about the benefits and costs of using the preferred versus the alternative alignment. Committee members expressed concerns about the possibility littering and a lack of lighting in the proposed undercrossing and reinstated the need to be clear when coordinating with jurisdictions about their responsibilities in maintaining the Fort Ord Regional Trial and Greenway.

Committee Chair, Jack Smith, suggested the idea of forming a Friends of FORTAG group to help support the trials development and coordinate future clean-ups and maintenance.

5. SEASIDE & MARINA SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL UPDATE

The Committee received an update on the Seaside & Marina Safe Walking & Biking to School: Complete Streets Plan; and provided input on the draft Plan recommendations.

Ariana Green, Associate Transportation Planner reported that the Seaside and Marina Safe Walking & Biking to School: Complete Streets Plan is a multi-agency effort to identify barriers and opportunities to support safe walking, bicycling, skating, scooting and carpooling in the cities of Seaside and Marina. She noted that Seaside and Marina have both been identified as high priority cities due to the high rates of youth biking and walking collisions and childhood obesity. To address these concerns, TAMC and Ecology Action, in partnership with the Monterey Peninsula Unified School District, the cities of Seaside and Marina, and the Monterey County Health Department applied for state funding.

Serval committee members and the public provided input on factors that may make it more challenging to get students to ride their bike to school, including needing the presence of bicycle parking and the need for signage along key bicycle boulevards. Another concern that was raised in discussion is the need to separate the bike paths and school drop-off zones to avoid conflict between the bikers and vehicles.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR COMMENTS

Committee member Eric Peterson announced he has a of a pamphlet on information on why it's important to wear a helmet for interested individuals.

Madilyn Jacobsen, Transportation Planner, invited Committee members to share thoughts on items they would like to see on the 2020 calendar for the Bike and Ped Committee. She indicated Caltrans staff anticipates attending the meeting in Gonzales, and TAMC staff is working on a guest presentation by California Highway Patrol.

Ideas were shared of: having a presentation on bicycle plans in Salinas, and enabling the Committee to comment on specific area plans.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Smith adjourned the meeting at 7:28 p.m.



TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY

Memorandum

To: Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee

From: Stefania Castillo, Transportation Planner

Meeting Date: February 5, 2020

Subject: Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Wayfinding Program

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Wayfinding Program:

- 1. RECEIVE update on the Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Wayfinding Program; and
- 2. **PROVIDE** input on the high-priority routes and location of signs.

SUMMARY:

The Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Wayfinding Program will install directional wayfinding, distance and confirmation signs to promote the use of safe routes by bicyclists and pedestrians. In addition to signing existing paved paths and bicycle lanes, the project will add newly-identified Class III bike routes.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Funding for the Regional Wayfinding Program includes \$887,000 in SB Local Partnership Program formula funds, including a \$1,044,00 local match from the Regional Surface Transportation Program.

DISCUSSION:

Wayfinding signs can ease navigation for bicyclists and pedestrians, reduce travel times, and enhance the region's brand by reinforcing key regional destinations. When combined with secure bicycle storage and a connected network of bicycle paths and lanes, a wayfinding system can attract the estimated 60% of potential bicyclists who indicate they would cycle more often if it were safer and easier to do so.

The TAMC Board approved the Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Wayfinding Plan on May 25, 2016. The Plan includes wayfinding sign design guidelines, identification and branding of regional bicycle and pedestrian routes, and provides a phased implementation strategy.

The Plan was developed in coordination with a Wayfinding Plan Advisory Committee composed of project stakeholders including representatives from the TAMC Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee, the County of Monterey, local cities, the Monterey County Health Department, Building Healthy Communities, Ford Ord Reuse Authority, the Velo Club, Green Pedal Couriers, Fort Ord RecreationTrails Friends, Pebble Beach Company, and Monterey-Salinas Transit.

The Executive Summary of the Wayfinding Plan (attached) outlines goals, development of wayfinding signage, advisory committee and community involvement, and the regional bickye and pedestrian routes to be signed. The Wayfinding Sign Design and Implementation Strategy (attached) includes the final sign design and outlines a phased implementation approach.

Staff is requesting Committee members provide input on the routes identified as high-priority as well as on the location of signs, including at key decisions points and destinations.

ATTACHMENTS:

Executive Summary of Wayfinding Plan

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

Wayfinding Sign Design and Implementation Strategy



Executive Summary

The Transportation Agency for Monterey County developed the Regional Pedestrian and Bicycle Wayfinding Plan for Monterey County to provide standard guidelines for bicycle and pedestrian wayfinding throughout Monterey County.

The goal of the Wayfinding Plan is to improve access to regional destinations, provide consistent wayfinding signs for regional connections, and promote key sign features that jurisdictions will be encouraged to incorporate into their own signs in order to improve wayfinding within city boundaries. Uniform signage supports residents and visitors who want to bicycle or walk for transportation and recreation, and can enhance each jurisdiction's brand as a regional destination.

The Wayfinding Plan includes:

- Introduction: The overall goal of the Wayfinding Plan is to improve bicycle and pedestrian facilities, and to promote bicycling and walking as viable transportation alternatives for Monterey County residents and visitors. This section describes the need and purpose for bicycle and pedestrian wayfinding signage, funding, the function of the Wayfinding Plan Advisory Committee and community involvement in the development of the Plan.
- Existing Conditions: While the county is currently served by a wide variety of bicycle facilities, the majority of the area lacks a clear, comprehensive, and consistent sign system that provides bicycle users with directional information and mileage to points of interest. This section includes a summary of regulatory criteria for wayfinding signage, and includes design criteria developed by the Wayfinding Plan Advisory Committee. This section includes criteria for the development of regional routes and destinations.
- Development of Wayfinding Signage: Development of the preferred sign design was a three-step process guided by an extensive community input process. This section describes the visioning process, concept development, and final design of the wayfinding signage.
- Implementation Strategy: This section includes information about the regional routes that will be signed, sign placement guidelines, sign production, and an estimate of the number of signs per mile. Potential funding sources, a discussion about jurisdiction agreements and information about implementation phasing are also included in this section.

Implementation of the Wayfinding Plan will begin once the Plan is adopted. TAMC will apply for grant funding for full implementation of the Plan, work on the procurement of signage, and will coordinate with the underlying jurisdictions to install signage.



Funding

TAMC programmed \$30,000 of Regional Surface Transportation Funds in the 2014/2015 fiscal year to prepare this Wayfinding Plan. For the next three years, TAMC has programmed a total of \$90,000 for the implementation of the Wayfinding Plan.

Wayfinding Plan Advisory Committee & Community Involvement

The Wayfinding Plan Advisory Committee is an ad-hoc committee comprised of project stakeholders including representatives from TAMC's Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee, the County of Monterey, local cities, the Monterey County Health Department, Building Healthy Communities, Fort Ord Re-use Authority, the Velo Club, Green Pedal Couriers, Fort Ord Recreation Trails Friends, Pebble Beach, and Monterey-Salinas Transit. **Table 1** lists the full Committee membership. The purpose of the group was to develop plan goals, assist in the identification of regional routes to be signed, provide input on the preferred sign design and implementation. The group met monthly from February to November, 2015, and again in February 2016 to provide final input on the Plan.

In addition to Wayfinding Plan Advisory Committee input, Agency staff consulted with TAMC's Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee (BPC), which is composed of volunteer representatives from each supervisorial district and city in Monterey County as well as representatives from public agencies and a bicycle/pedestrian interest group, as appointed by the TAMC Board of Directors, and TAMC's Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), comprised of public works representatives from each of the twelve cities in Monterey County, Monterey County Public Works, Monterey County Planning, Caltrans, Monterey-Salinas Transit, the Fort Ord Reuse Authority, the Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District, and the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments.

Table 1: Wayfinding Plan Advisory Committee members.

Stakeholder	Representative
Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments	Eliza Yu
TAMC Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee	D.L. Johnson
Building Healthy Communities	Jeanette Pantoja
City of Carmel-by-the-Sea	Victoria Beach
City of Marina	Justin Meek
City of Monterey	Andrea Renny
City of Salinas	James Serrano
	Victor Gomez



City of Soledad	Brent Slama
California State University Monterey Bay	Bernard Green
Fort Ord Reuse Authority	Josh Metz
Green Pedal Couriers	Michael Baronial
Monterey County	Ryan Chapman
Monterey County Health Department	Krista Hanni
Monterey-Salinas Transit	Lisa Rheinheimmer
Pebble Beach Company	Kevin Cole
Fort Ord Recreation Trails Friends/Pedal Alpini, Inc.	Eric Peterson
Velo Club	Bill Boosman

Lastly, TAMC staff developed a project specific Wayfinding Plan page on the TAMC website. Wayfinding Plan Advisory Committee meeting agendas, meeting minutes and draft documents were posted on this site. Staff gathered community input using the TAMC Wayfinding Plan mySidewalk page, an online public engagement tool similar in layout to Facebook. Agency staff used the mySidewalk to obtain input on regional routes and sign designs. The mySidewalk tool was particularly useful in obtaining feedback on sign design, as people were able to vote for their preferred design. **Figure 2** illustrates the Wayfinding Plan mySidewalk page, along with page view statistics.



Table 2: Regional Routes

	North County Routes	<u>Description</u>	Miles
1	Elkhorn Slough Loop	Connects Pajaro, Las Lomas, Moss Landing and Castroville; <u>via</u> Salinas Road, Highway 1, Molera Road and Elkhorn Road	32.42
2	Pajaro – Salinas	Connects Pajaro, Las Lomas, Prunedale Shopping Centers, Prunedale Park and Ride lot, Manzanita County Regional Park, North Salinas, Salinas, Spreckles <u>via</u> Hall Road, San Miguel Canyon Road, Prunedale South Road, Harrison Road	24.28
3	Salinas Periphery Loop	<u>Connects</u> Southwest Salinas, North Salinas Shopping Center, Northeast Salinas schools and parks, Hartnell College Main Campus and Hartnell College Alisal Campus; <u>via</u> Davis Road and Boronda Road and crosses Salinas through Alisal Street	16.29
4	Marina – Salinas Multimodal Corridor	Connects Oldtown Salinas, Salinas Amtrak Station, MST Salinas Transit Center, City of Salinas and Monterey County Government Centers, Hartnell College Main Campus, East Garrison, California State University Monterey Bay Campus, Marina Shopping Center, MST Marina Transit Exchange; via West Alisal Street, Blanco Road, Davis Road, Reservation Road, Imjin Parkway, 2 nd Avenue and Divaty Street	14.94
5	North Salinas to San Benito County via San Juan Grade Rd	<u>Connects</u> North Salinas and San Juan Bautista, San Benito County; via San Juan Grade Road	12.12
6	Castroville – Salinas	Connects Castroville and Oldtown Salinas; via Merritt Street, Castroville Boulevard and West Market Street	8.17
	Peninsula Routes		<u>Miles</u>
7	Monterey Peninsula Loop	Connects Castroville, Marina, California State University Monterey Bay, Seaside, Sand City, Monterey, Pacific Grove, Pebble Beach and Carmel-by-the-Sea; via Monterey Bay Sanctuary Scenic Trail along the Peninsula, and California Avenue, General Jim Moore Boulevard, Canyon Del Rey Boulevard and Aguajito among other internal local city streets	40.89
8	Carmel – Monterey	Connects Carmel-by-the-Sea and Monterey; via San Carlos Street,	5.11



		Carpenter Street, the Highway 1 bike path, Viejo Road, and	
		Munras Avenue	
9	Fort Ord Loop	Connects Salinas, Spreckles, California State University Monterey	23.44
		Bay, and Fort Ord; travels via Highway 68 and Reservation Road	
10	Fort Ord Inner Loop	Connects California State University Monterey Bay, Seaside, Fort	11.63
		Ord, Ryan Ranch and Del Rey Oaks; via Gigling Road, Hennekens	
		Ranch Road, Barloy Canyon Road and South Boundary Road	
	South County Routes		<u>Miles</u>
11	Marina – Greenfield via Reservation Rd &	Connects Marina, East Garrison, Salinas, Spreckles, Fort Romie and	49.31
	River Rd	Greenfield; travels via Reservation Road and River Road	
12	Salinas – King City & San Ardo	Connects Salinas, Chualar, Gonzales, Soledad, Greenfield, King	65.31
		City, San Lucas and San Ardo ; <u>travels via</u> Natividad Road, Old	
		Stage Road, Old US 101 roads, Metz Road and Cattleman Road	
13	Carmel Valley – Greenfield	<u>Connects</u> Carmel Valley to Greenfield; <u>via</u> Carmel Valley Road	55.52





TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY

Memorandum

To: Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee

From: Madilyn Jacobsen, Transportation Planner

Meeting Date: February 5, 2020 Subject: Media Clipping

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RECEIVE media clippings attached online.

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

- A look insight Blue Zones Project's plan to reengineer communities including Salinas for longer, healthier lives
- New Salinas skate, BMX park discussed, report delayed
- Pacific Grove moves to regulate e-bikes
- Highway 1 busway project work gets under way
- Why get involved in infrastructure planning: North Fremont, Monterey
- Merry Squid-mas