



## Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee

### Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee Meeting Summary April 23, 2009

Jim Antone, Yolo-Solano Air District  
William Appleby, Yuba County Trails  
Commission  
Kevin Becker, City of Citrus Heights  
Rick Bettis, Breathe California  
Sabrina Bradbury, SACOG  
John Burton, Dry Creek Parkway  
Jose Luis Caceres, SACOG  
Rosea De Leon Park, City of Elk Grove  
John Deeter, ECOS  
Woody Deloria, EDCTC  
Mike Dour, City of Roseville  
Marques Fitch, Arco Arena

Tara Goddard, City of Davis  
Dan Klinker, Sacramento County  
Barry Leaming, Caltrans Local Assistance  
Kevin Pokrajac, Caltrans Local Assistance  
Terry Preston, WALKSacramento  
Michael Ramos, Arco Arena  
Will Schilling, Caltrans District 3  
Walt Seifert, SABA  
Bob Smart, El Dorado County Parks & Rec  
Lacey Symons, SACOG  
A.J. Tendick, SACOG  
Greta Vohlers, City of West Sacramento

#### 1. Introductions and Information Sharing

- Woody Deloria made several announcements about EDCTC:
  - Bike to Work Day event (May 5<sup>th</sup>) in Placerville
  - SPTC Trails/trestle update
  - Updating El Dorado County and City of Placerville bicycle plans
- Bob Smart expressed relief that projects around the region, especially in rural areas, seem to be moving a lot faster than in the past.
- Jim Antone discussed the Yolo County Alternative Transportation Corridor, between Davis and Woodland, and said that the corridor's design will be proposed at the next community meeting. There will be several meetings throughout the process.
- John Burton said that the Dry Creek Parkway Phase I did not get implemented last year and is hopeful it will this summer.
- John Deeter announced that ECOS is hosting an Earth Day celebration on Sunday, and that SABA President Owen Howlett is being recognized by Breathe California.
- Dan Klinker said he is still working on the Sacramento County bicycle transportation plan.
- Greta Vohlers added West Sacramento has several May is Bike Month activities and is hoping to update the City's bicycle master plan.
- Tara Goddard had several announcements from the City of Davis:
  - Planned several May is Bike Month activities
  - Adopting update to bicycle/pedestrian plan
  - Submitted applications for Safe Routes to School funding
  - Chosen to be the permanent home of the U.S. Bicycle Hall of Fame

- Rosa De Leon Park mentioned she submitted a grant for the Laguna Creek Trail
- Will Schilling asked for any suggestions regarding an upcoming guide for bicycles on highways
- Mike Dour announced Roseville's first annual Bike Rally, taking place on May 1st at Piches Park, from 4:00-7:00 p.m. including a short bike ride. He also added that the Dry Creek Greenway trail study is ongoing, with said study analyzing the feasibility of installing 3-4 miles of trail corridor along Dry, Cirby & Linda Creeks in Roseville.
- Walt Seifert discussed a meeting with Sacramento County about developing a 42-mile trail loop around the Natomas Basin that will connect with Dry Creek Parkway. He also discussed the ad hoc trail signage and pavement markings committee.
- William Appleby said he is working on a proposed bikeway map for inclusion into the Yuba county General Plan.
- Terry Preston mentioned meeting with Mike Penrose regarding streetscape and ADA improvements.

**2. Meeting Minutes** approved by consensus.

**3. California TE funding** Walt Seifert expressed concern over the availability of Transportation Enhancement (TE) projects for bike/ped projects. Through ARRA, California received \$77 million for TE, 38 percent of which went to the State (62 percent went to MPOs). State legislation was passed and gave TE project priority for California Conservation Corps projects and bicycle/pedestrian projects. Barry Leaming and Kevin Pokrajac, both with Caltrans Local Assistance, discussed Walt's concerns. Caltrans has very short deadline for distributing the funds and looked for key eligible projects. TE has 12 categories for project eligibility (bike and ped projects are one of them).

Additionally, Walt announced ARRA non-traditional fund sources for bike/ped projects through Department of Energy and California Energy Commission. More information is available at: [www.energy.ca.gov/recovery](http://www.energy.ca.gov/recovery)

**4. Monarch's Bike Event** Michael Ramos and Marques Fitch with Arco Arena Monarchs and Kings discussed ideas for a proposed bike event at Arco Arena. The Committee provided feedback and advice. The event is expected to be held sometime between July and September, and participants will be recognized during a Monarch's game. Many ideas were discussed.

**5. Update on May is Bike Month** AJ Tendick updated the Committee about May is Bike Month plans. He announced that schools and classes can log onto the website, get set up electronically, and compete against one another. SACOG Directors Don Saylor (Davis) and Jim Gray (Roseville) are the honorary co-chairs, and both are officials from cities recognized by the League of American Bicyclists. He also asked that agencies announce events and activities on the Events page of [www.mayisbikemonth.com](http://www.mayisbikemonth.com).

**6. American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Update** Jose Luis updated the Committee with the latest ARRA information. SACOG programmed \$87.5 million of highway funding to road rehabilitation, bike/ped projects, and other transportation projects. Also, SACOG programmed

\$36 million of transit funding for transit projects. SACOG encouraged all road rehab projects to "complete" the street when feasible.

**7. Other Matters** Over the past several months, SACOG has been studying rural transportation challenges and opportunities in the six-county region as part of the Rural Urban Connections Strategy (RUCS) project. RUCS takes a look at the region's growth and sustainability objectives from a rural perspective. SACOG would like your help identifying transportation related innovations for your county. We have identified some potential innovations in the attached survey on which we'd like to get your feedback. Our primary goal is to use this information to help deliver real resources to our member agencies and their constituents.

To complete the survey, please:

- Save As to a folder on your computer
- fill out the survey
- email back to [choltzen@sacog.org](mailto:choltzen@sacog.org).

We really appreciate your assistance with this project.

## **8. Adjournment**

**The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 23, 2009**