

**BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**January 27, 2012**

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*Attendees*

Dan Allison, San Juan Unified School District	Jordan Lang, SABA
Jim Antone, YSAQMD	Amy Lee, SABA
Kevin Becker, City of Citrus Heights	Kacey Lizon, SACOG
Victoria S. Cacciatore, SACOG	Jim Michaels,
Jim Campbell, Yolo County	Arthur Murray, CT
Jennifer Donlon-Wyant, Alta Planning + Design	Chris Morfas, CBC
Mike Dour, City of Roseville	Arthur Murray, Caltrans
Teri Duarte, WALKSacramento	Stephanie Parent, WALKSacramento
Greg Foell, Orangevale Park & Rec	Terry Preston, WALKSacramento
Eric Fredericks, Caltrans	Lindell Price, Advocate
Tricia Hedahl, SABA	Erik Reitz, YCTD
JJ Hurley, SMAQMD	Chad Riding, Caltrans
Jim Konopka, City of Folsom	Walt Seifert
Jim Kirstein, Friends of Folsom Parkways	Lacey Symons-Holtzen, SACOG
	Mark Thomas, Rancho Cordova

**1. Brown Bag Lunch, Introductions and Information Sharing**

Mr. Konopka shared that the City of Folsom is coordinating with the Bureau of Reclamation for a new bike/ped overcrossing on the Johnny Cash trail.

Mr. Fredericks announced Caltrans' \$3 million partnership with El Dorado Trail Commission to widen the most heavily-traveled bridge in El Dorado County for sidewalks and bike lanes. The stretch to be widened is on SR 49 near Coloma. He also mentioned an inventory of Complete Streets is in the works, and that the Caltrans Discretionary Grant program announced a call for projects with applications due April 2.

Mr. Riding brought copies of the new District 3 bike guides for interested parties, and asked members of the committee to distribute the bike guides to their associates. The Bike Guides provide information about open bike routes and alternate routes around unbikeable places.

Mr. Morfas informed the committee that the California Bicycle Coalition (CBC) is working with the state legislature and Caltrans to update the list of approved bikeways; he anticipates bicycle organizations will be represented at the state level by end of the year.

Mr. Lang announced there is a Complete Streets project in progress along Freeport Blvd. between Vallejo Way and Sutterville Road. The project is still in the planning phase. For more information, contact Ed Cox at the City of Sacramento.

Ms. Hedahl reported that the Sacramento Area Bicycle Advocates (SABA) issued comments on the Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy. She also

announced that SABA is hosting two events connected with the North American Handmade Bicycle Show. SABA also recently completed a bike audit system, and more information is available at [sacbike.org](http://sacbike.org).

Ms. Price shared that El Dorado County is working on targeted amendments to the General Plan to include pedestrian elements.

Mr. Preston presented a flyer for the conference “Pedestrians Count! 2012”; more information can be found on [californiawalks.org](http://californiawalks.org). He also remarked that the recent death of a student at a high speed intersection on Fruitridge Road draws attention to roads designed for speed over safety.

Mr. Allison mentioned that the eleven schools in Citrus Heights are entering the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of the three-year Safe Routes to School grant.

Mr. Deeter stated that the Environmental Council of Sacramento (ECOS) is planning an event in Southside Park for Earth Day 2012.

Mr. Dour announced that Roseville is kicking off the next phase of Dry Creek Greenway project.

Mr. Antone shared that applications for Clean Air Funds are available and due March 23. He also shared that Yolo-Solano AQMD is working with Solano Transportation Authority to update the Solano Bikelinks Map.

2. **Summary of October 27, 2011, Meeting.** Approved by consensus.
3. **Complete Streets Survey of Sacramento Region.** Mr. Preston announced the commencement of the Complete Streets Survey, which will focus on the state of complete streets projects in the region. The survey is targeted towards staff from local agencies involved with bicycle/pedestrian projects. Mr. Preston aims to have the results of the survey prepared in time for the April meeting.
4. **State Safe Routes to School (SR2S) Grant Cycle.** Ms. Symons-Holtzen discussed the state Safe Routes to School grant cycle and noted application are due March 30. Ms. Symons-Holtzen informed the committee about SACOG’s local assistance, which includes letters of support, grant review, maps and data for grant applications. Representatives from SABA and WALKS Sacramento also volunteered to provide letters of support. Ms. Symons-Holtzen added that applications may not be competitive if existing SR2S grants are not on schedule. José Luis Cáceres is the SACOG staff member to contact for inquiries about the delivery status of existing grants. John Hoole from Caltrans Local Assistance is the contact for the SR2S grant program.
5. **Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy Update.** Ms. Lizon updated the Committee regarding the status of the MTP/SCS public review period. SACOG received 41 letters on the MTP/SCS and 19 letters on the EIR. The comments and

staff responses will be taken to the Transportation Committee, Land Use & Air Quality Committee, and the Government Relations and Public Affairs Committee in March. The MTP/SCS will be taken to the SACOG Board for final approval in April. Ms. Lizon added that they had not received a comment from the state Attorney General.

The outreach schedule for the draft MTP/SCS includes meetings for elected officials in January and February, and informational meetings throughout the region.

6. **Online Trip Planner Data Update.** Ms. Symons-Holtzen updated the Committee on the status of the Online Trip Planner. SACOG has worked with staff from jurisdictions to obtain comprehensive bikeway information about Class I, II, and III bikeways, as well as information about wide shoulder routes. Ms. Symons-Holtzen requested that each jurisdiction provide any bikeway projects that have been completed since April 2011, so the facility information may be added to the Online Trip Planner. Mr. Atwood provided a demonstration of how to verify information in the Online Trip Planner through the website [mapping.sacog.org/bikemarkup](http://mapping.sacog.org/bikemarkup). The committee discussed adding new functionality. The site <http://hootroot.com/> was discussed as a way to demonstrate how gasoline costs and emissions are decreased as a result of biking.
7. **Regional Bike/Ped Policies.** Ms. Symons-Holtzen introduced a new effort to develop regional policies for the Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan (Master Plan). The Master Plan is updated leading up to the biannual Bicycle & Pedestrian Funding Program. After the most recent Master Plan update, members of the Transportation Committee expressed interest in having policies to guide the prioritization of bike/ped projects in the region. To accomplish that goal, SACOG will develop an advisory group of less than ten members to work with staff in developing regional policies.  
  
Ms. Symons-Holtzen asked the Committee to provide feedback on the roles they would like represented on the advisory group. The Committee expressed support for representing environmental justice priorities and public health perspectives, as well as user interests. The Committee emphasized the importance of having members on the advisory committee who were tuned in to bicycle and pedestrian developments outside of our region. A draft work plan will be presented at the April meeting.
8. **2012 Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals Webinars.** Ms. Cacciatore announced that SACOG will be hosting a limited number of the monthly APBP bicycle/pedestrian sponsored webinars throughout 2012. She encouraged members of the Committee to review the list of available webinars and email her with their preferences. Agendas for the webinars are normally available two weeks in advance.
9. **SACOG Screening Process for Caltrans Discretionary Grants Submissions.** Ms. Sprowls informed the Committee that SACOG is in the process of developing their list of grant applications for this round of Caltrans planning grants. The list of applications will be presented to the SACOG Board in March.

10. **Other Matters.** Mr. Riding reminded the Committee about the availability of Caltrans District 3 Bike Guides. Please contact him at [Chad\\_riding@dot.ca.gov](mailto:Chad_riding@dot.ca.gov) if you have any questions or need additional copies.