

ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM CYCLE 1

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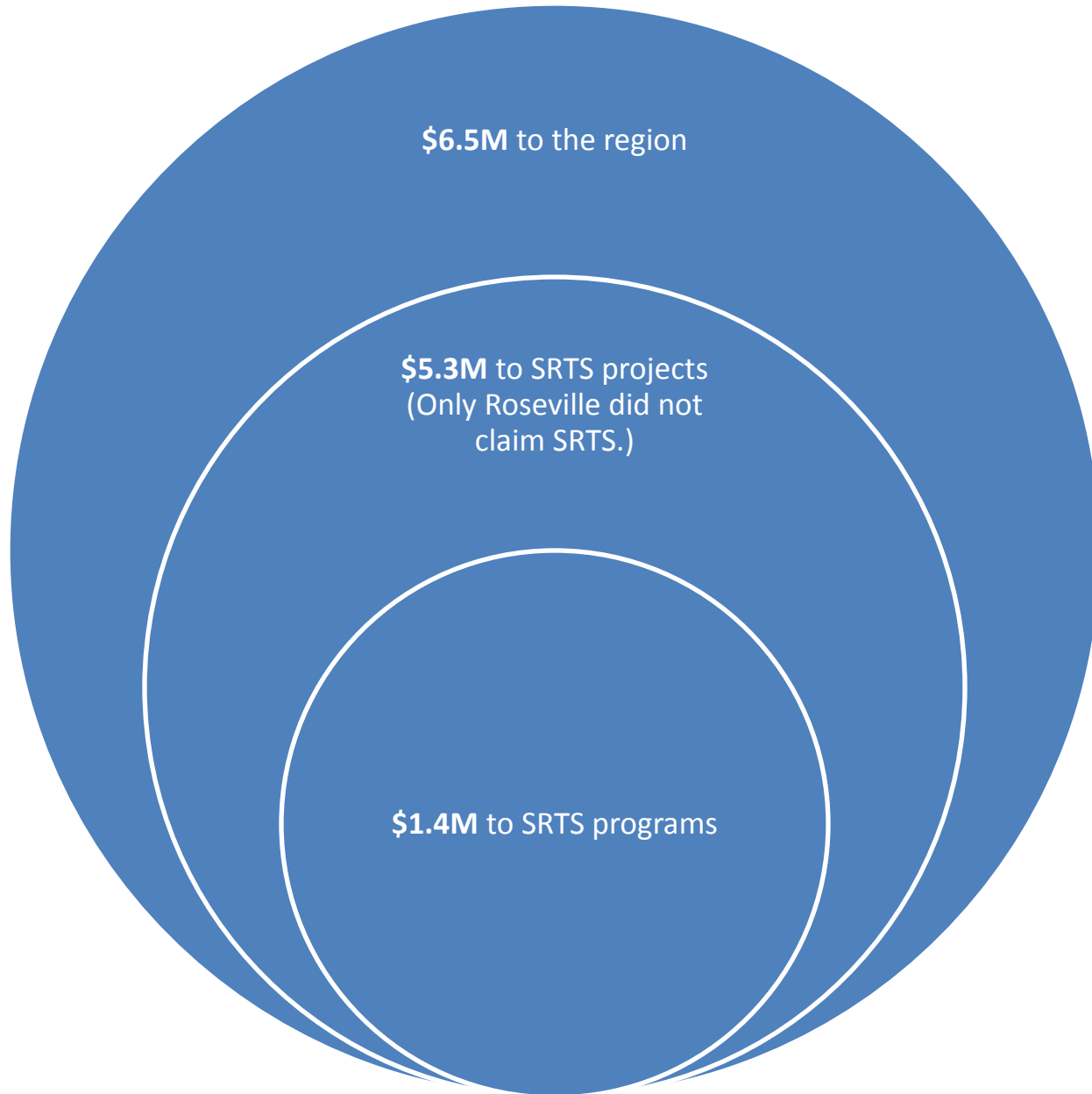


1. Overview of ATP
2. SACOG Region and the Statewide ATP, Cycle 1
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 - a) Which projects were selected?
 - b) What were their strengths?
 - c) What were the takeaways?
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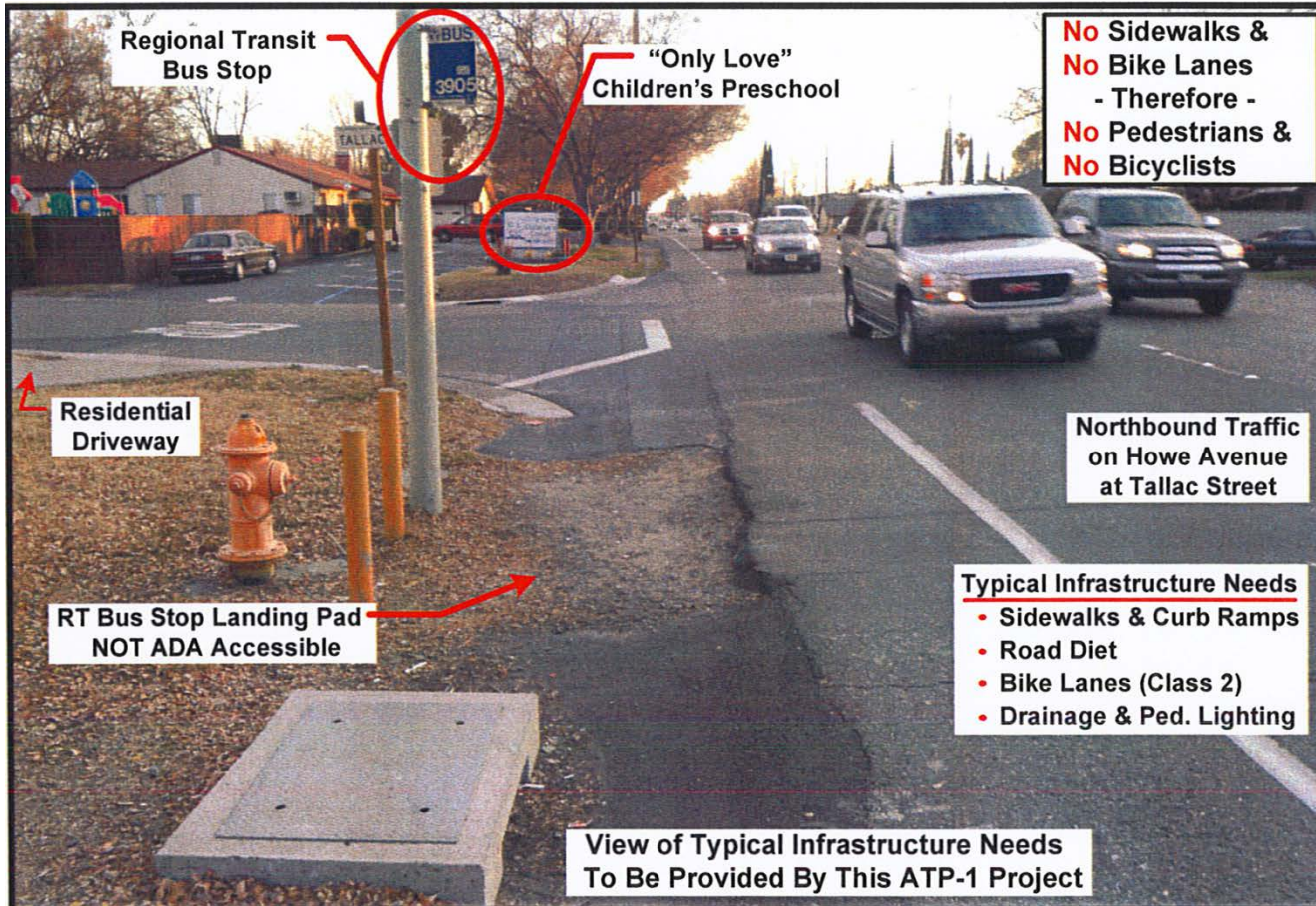
The Active Transportation Program (ATP) was established in 2013 by the California Legislature through Senate Bill (SB) 99 to encourage increased use of active modes of transportation, specifically bicycling and walking. Program goals include increasing mode share and safety of non-motorized users; advancing greenhouse gas reduction goals; and improving public health.

\$184M distributed--What did Statewide ATP fund in the SACOG region?



What was our highest-ranked project from the Statewide ATP?

Sacramento County – Howe Avenue Bike & Ped Improvement Project



Total score: 87.3

Cycle 1 was hard, Cycle 2 will be harder

- Based on Cycle 1 estimates, Cycle 2 would have ~\$124M to distribute competitively statewide.
- In Cycle 1, our region's 2nd highest-ranked application in the state competition had \$130M of projects prioritized above it.

Regional ATP, Cycle 1

February-April
Outreach,
framework
development

May
Framework
released

July
Applications due

August
Application
review,
recommendation
development

September
Recommendation
released,
approved by
SACOG Board

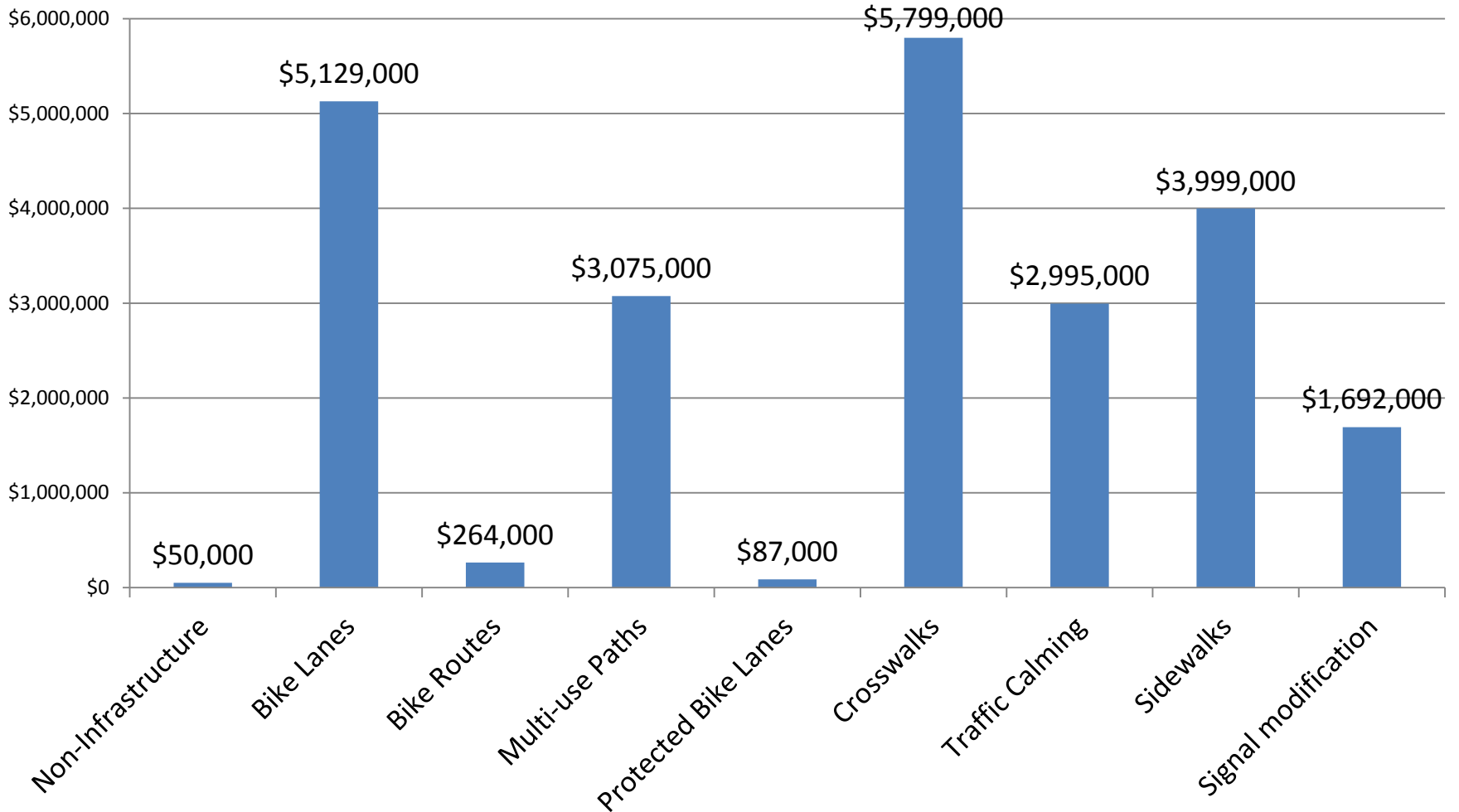
What was submitted through the Regional ATP?

Regional-submitted applications (post-State ATP Awards)


	Region	El Dorado	Placer	Sacramento	Sutter	Yolo	Yuba
# of apps	45	4	6	20	5	8	2
Total ask	\$ 48,008,689	\$ 1,630,308	\$ 5,627,301	\$ 25,191,606	\$ 2,368,448	\$ 10,976,026	\$ 2,215,000
Average ask	\$ 1,066,860	\$ 407,577	\$ 937,884	\$ 1,259,580	\$ 473,690	\$ 1,372,003	\$ 1,107,500

What was funded through the Regional ATP, Cycle 1?

Projects containing...



What made those projects stand out?



Projects balanced increasing safety and increasing bike/ped transportation.

Data, pictures, maps in support of the application.

Demonstrated community support (letters, public outreach).

Need for the project!

City of Yuba City

Franklin Road Improvements Project

Awarded \$313,000

Table 1: Public Participation Process

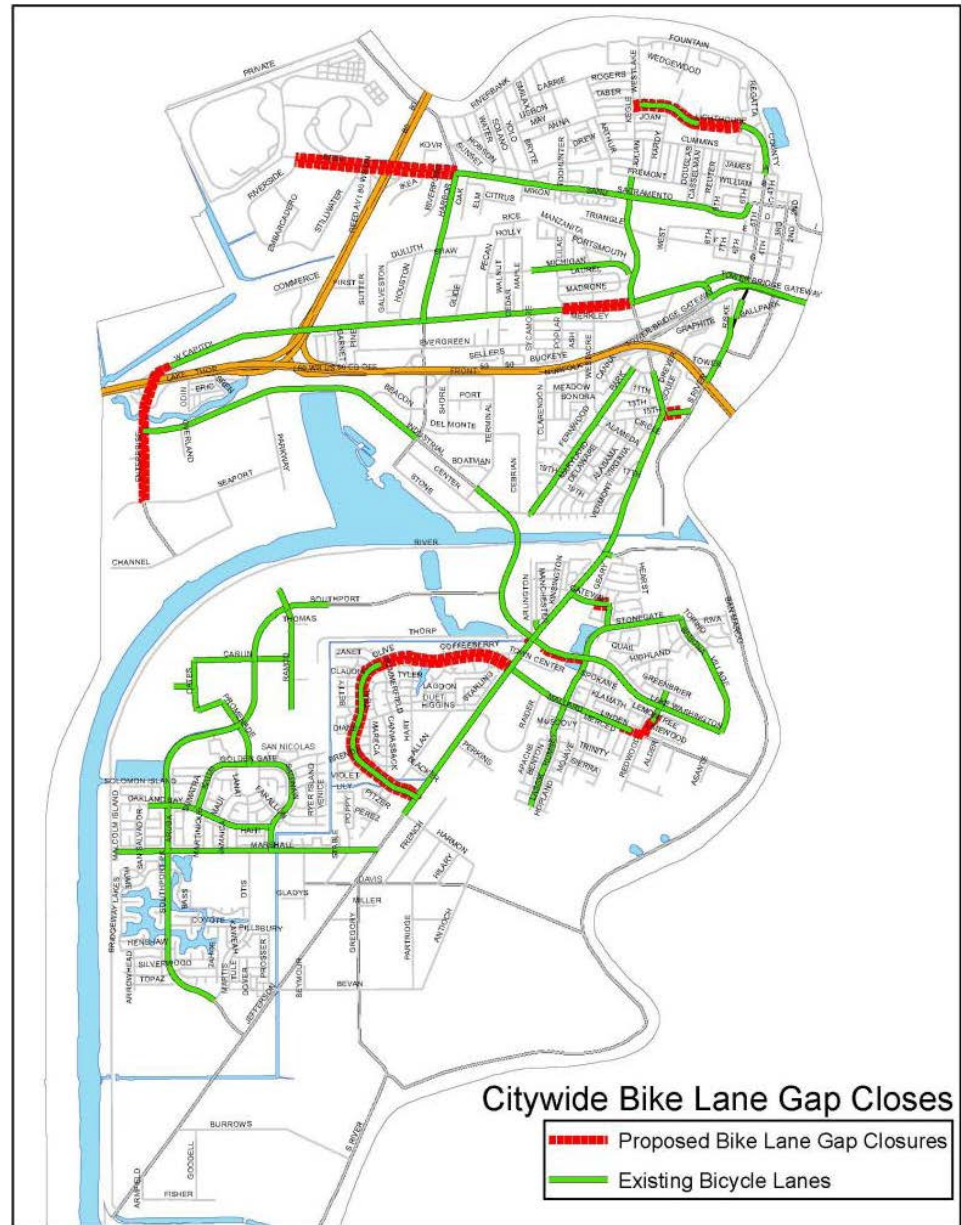
Date	Activity	Attendees	Summary
2/28/2014	Pedestrian Safety Assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jennifer Cates - Assistant Principal Andros Karperos School • Diana Langley - Yuba City Public Works Director • Kittelson & Associates transportation and planning consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • After hearing concerns from Andros Karperos School (AK School), concerned parents, and local residents, an evaluation of the project area was scheduled to audit pedestrian safety • Conducted audit of pedestrian traffic on Franklin Road between Harding Rd and Walton Ave during school hours • Discussed results and potential countermeasures to increase student safety • Recommendation was to add high visibility crosswalk mid-block to provide pedestrian travel path
4/29/2014	Meeting with Mahal Plaza Site Manager	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jaswinder Sandhu - Site Manager of Mahal Plaza • Omar Valle - Assistant Engineer - Yuba City 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussed the proposed project and the need for these improvements for AK student crossing on Franklin Road • Mahal Plaza has 110 students that attend AK school and residents have been concerned about student safety over this issue for a long time. They have brought up this concern with Mahal Plaza numerous times • Mahal Plaza is in support of the improvements and scheduled a presentation to residents for feedback of proposed project

- Engaged police department, school officials, community members, and public health department.
- Demonstrated extensive public outreach and community problem-solving.

City of West Sacramento

Citywide Bike Lane Gap Closures
Awarded \$525,000

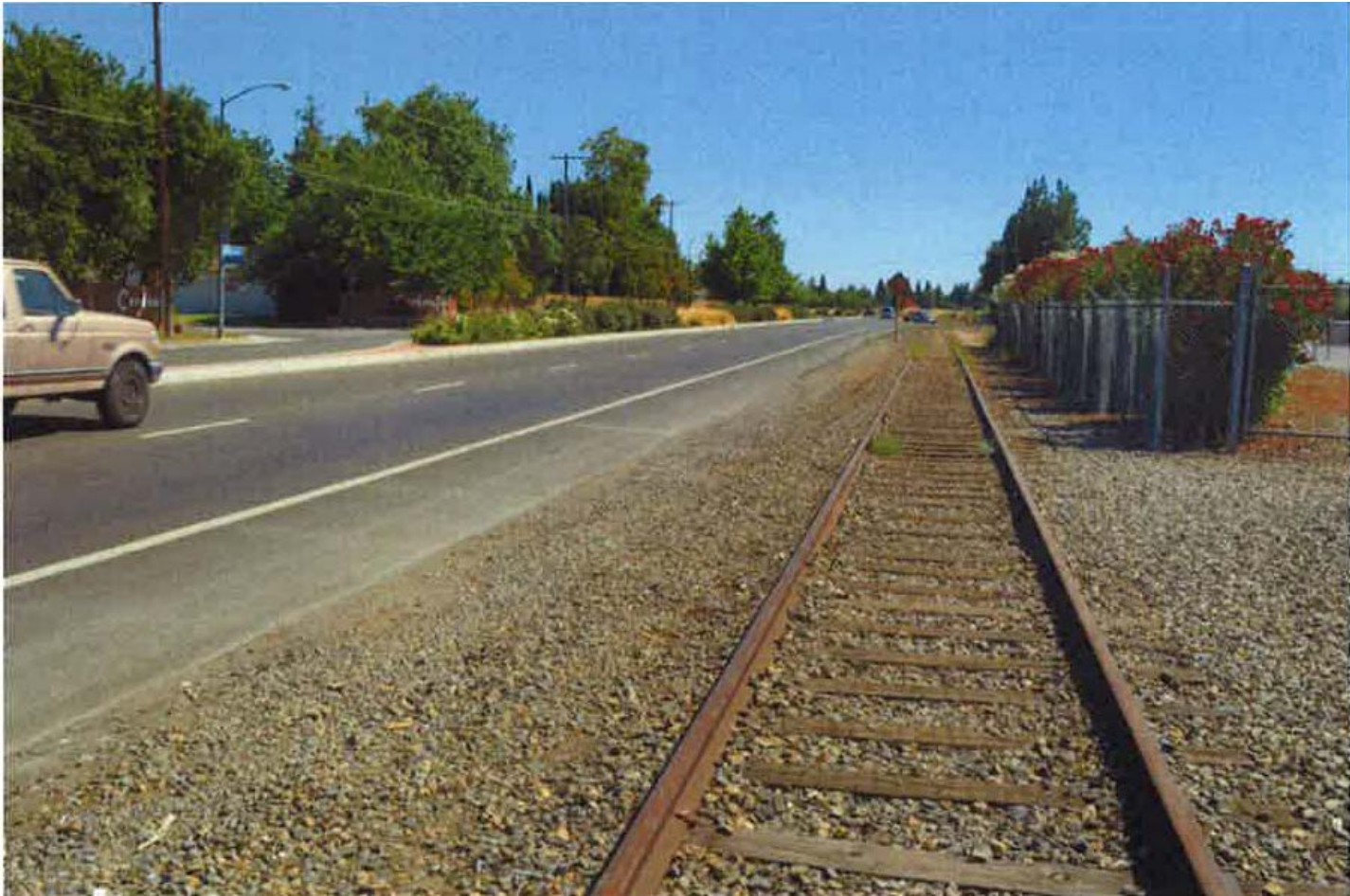
- Shows how the project completes the existing network.
- Paints a picture of connectivity, rather than just listing all the segments.



City of Rancho Cordova

Mather Rails to Trails Project

Awarded \$2,083,000



- Shows the existing conditions, which are less ped/bike-friendly.
- Part of a long-standing local and regional vision.

ATP, Cycle 1 takeaways

Overall low competitiveness

- Low Statewide ATP success rate in the region: requested \$48 million, received \$6.5 million
- Some agencies did not receive funds from State or Regional ATP rounds
- Increase in technical information and use of tools could help

Expanded eligibilities makes for applicant uncertainty

- Eligibility of pre-construction-only vs. construction-only projects
- Varying levels of competitiveness for different planning documents

More information is better!

- Make your application as clear as possible, highlighting why the project is needed
- Use data to support your application
- Future rounds will include a phone call between the Working Group and the project sponsor, time permitting

Additional lessons in logistics

compliments of ATP, Cycle 1

- Instructions and applications should be in one document, if possible.
- Addition of a comment field on Regional ATP evaluation sheets is needed.
- Evaluating 45 applications in a week's time is possible, but very unpleasant.
 - More time for the MPO process would be beneficial!

Regional ATP Working Group comments

Discuss public health

- Your Department of Health has information specific to your area; “bike lanes = more people biking = better health” is not adequate.

Demonstrate potential

- Clearly show your active transportation trip generators, e.g. a map of your project and the surrounding land uses & activity centers.

Make it easy on them!

- Reviewers don't know your community, your project, or why it is important.
- Answer the questions that are asked in the order they were asked so it is easier for your reviewer to see how your project meets the program goals.

How to stay informed:

- Informational updates are regularly sent to SACOG's Regional Planning Partnership and Bike/Ped email lists

Email



- SACOG advisory and Board committees receive information and action items (e.g. releasing the Call for Projects)
- CTC will release draft guidelines via agendas

Recreational Reading



- Caltrans' ATP website <http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LocalPrograms/atp/>
- CTC's ATP website <http://www.catc.ca.gov/programs/ATP.htm>
- SACOG's ATP website <http://sacog.org/regionalfunding/activetransportation.cfm>

Websites to watch



Coming soon! ATP Cycle 2



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source: www.treehugger.com*

THANK YOU!

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