

MEETING MINUTES

San Luis Obispo County Bicycle Advisory Committee

Tuesday, May 11th, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

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The Bicycle Advisory Committee promotes the expanded use of bicycle transportation by working together with County staff to develop the County Bikeways Plan, reviewing the Plan and present a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors for its adoption; by reviewing the policies and programs related to bicycling in the Circulation Element of the County General Plan and Local Coastal Plan and making recommendations on the goals and their implementation to the Board of Supervisors; and by reviewing the policies and programs related to bicycling in the Bikeways Element of the Regional Transportation Plan and providing input to the Board of Supervisors on the goals and their implementation.

1. CALL TO ORDER / THANK YOU

2. ROLL CALL

Derek Jay (Absent)	District 1
Allison Bradshaw	District 1
Josh Olejczak	District 2 - Vice Chairperson
Claude Corvino	District 2
Jim DeCecco	District 3
Myron “Skip” Amerine	District 3 - Chairperson
Robert Horch	District 4
Darrin Hasham	District 4
VACANT	District 5
Ed Goshorn (Absent)	District 5

3. INTRODUCTIONS

4. APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 9th, 2021 MEETING MINUTES

Motion to Approve – Josh Olejczak approved, Robert Horch second, all in Favor

5. PUBLIC COMMENT *(Limit to 4 minutes; any Q&A from BAC)*

Members of the audience wishing to address the Committee on pertinent matters other than scheduled agenda items may do so when recognized by the Chair. Upon recognition by the Chair, please state your name and address. Comments are limited to three minutes. The Committee cannot discuss any matter unless it is listed on the agenda, in accordance with the Brown Act. The Committee may agendaize these matters for future consideration.

Due to impacts felt by the COVID19 pandemic, all future BAC meetings will be held virtually until further notice. If you are unable to attend the virtual meeting, please visit the County BAC website to submit your public comments in advance directly to the BAC secretary: <https://www.slocounty.ca.gov/Departments/Public-Works/Committees-Programs/Bicycle-Advisory-Committee.aspx>

6. COMMITTEE / STAFF REPORTS *(10 minutes max; agendaize lengthier items)*

A. County Public Works

- *Avila Beach Drive at Highway 101 Interchange*
Shovel Ready by early 2023. Currently no funding for construction but PW and SLOCOG are seeking funding via future grant applications.
- *Buckley Road Corridor Project*
Project on hold due to COVID impacts on viable traffic count data in addition to limited staff capacity and budget shortfall.

- *Los Berros Road Widening with Class II Bike Lanes*
 - 6ft shoulder widening from Pomeroy Rd to Quailwood Ln
 - Bid opening scheduled March 4th, 2021
 - \$1.5 million total project cost (Federal grants and local RIF from Nipomo Area)
 - Gas Line and AT&T lines relocated in April, 2021
 - Construction to begin May/June, 2021
- *Highway 227 – Operational Improvements*
 - Draft Traffic Analysis – Approx. August 2021
 - Townhall / Public Outreach – Fall 2021
- *Metal Beam Guardrail Upgrade – Various Locations (Press Release & Vicinity Maps Attached)*
 - Replacing old non-compliant guardrail with new compliant guardrails (HSIP funded)
 - Locations include Burton Drive & Main Street (Cambria), Price Canyon Rd (Pismo Beach), and Division Street (Nipomo)
 - Construction beginning April 26th thru June 2021
- *Crosswalk Enhancements – Various Locations*
Install above ground Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB) at the following midblock crosswalks:
 - North Ocean Avenue, between Cayucos Drive and Cayucos
 - Ontario Road at Bob Jones Trail Head
 - Tefft Street fronting Dana Elementary, Nipomo
- *Pavement Projects – Countywide (Vicinity Maps Attached)*
 - Chimney Rock Rd (North County) - 6 miles of Overlay - Bid Opening 5/13 and CON approx. 7/13
 - Cayucos Creek Rd MP 1.3 - Storm Damage Slip Out Repair - Bid Opening 5/13 and CON Approx. 7/13
 - Various County Roads - Surface Treatment - 30% Design complete - CON approx. 11/15/21
 - a. Interlake Rd
 - b. Nacimiento Shores Rd
 - c. Creston Rd
 - d. South El Pomar Rd
 - e. Union Rd
 - f. South Bay Blvd
 - g. Community of Cayucos

B. CHP Templeton

- No reported bicycle accidents in north County thus far.
- Debris left in roadway shoulders and in bike lanes after accidents occur (Along Highway 1)
 - Townhall meeting & training between tow services and officers to provide collective effort to reduce debris.
- BAC Chair mentioned that this is a continual issue along Hwy 1, Hwy 101, LOVR, and Highway 227.
 - Vehicle lanes are cleared after accidents occur, but shoulders are not cleared appropriately.
- Templeton PIO also mentioned concern regarding oil/fluids and will be discussed at future training.

C. Caltrans

- *Highway 46 at Vineyard Drive Roundabout*
 - Estimated completion date: May, 2022
- *Pismo CAPM (Capital Preventative Maintenance Project)*
 - Pismo to Oceano shoulder widening and bike lanes on Highway 1 – Shovel ready in 2022.
 - Claude C. (District 2) requested re-iteration of the limits of the Pismo Beach CAPM paving project and asked if this project would provide bike lanes along existing sections of Highway 1 that do not currently have bike lane.
 - Caltrans indicated the project will include these locations.

- *Old Creek and Torro Creek Bridge Replacements*
 - Both projects are on schedule and moving along in the design phase.
 - Bicycle detours will be provided as those projects approach construction.
- *Reducing Debris on State Highways*
Discussions and strategic planning is in the works.
 - BAC Chair – The roadway is overlaid on top of concrete along Highway 1 between Morro Bay and City of SLO (Specifically, SB direction from Hollister / Dairy Creek to the other side of Men’s Colony). The Mumble strips along the right-hand lane and the asphalt edge are deteriorating. Pieces are ending up in the shoulder. Bicyclists are encountering heavy debris and occasional dead animals through this area. Requesting Caltrans to provide more mitigation efforts. (Approx. location at milepost 21)
- *Active Transportation Plan (ATP) for District 5*
Caltrans will provide additional updates as project nears completion.
 - ATP document will be available within the next few weeks. Currently undergoing internal review before public distribution. Goal is to have document available by the end of the current fiscal year.

D. Air Pollution Control District

- *Bike month activities happening in May 2021*
 - APCD will be one of the locations participating during Bike to Workday.
- *SEQA Language Updated for Land-Use Planning*
Now available online at APCD webpage.
 - Geared towards jurisdictions that process new development applications.
 - Includes guidance on greenhouse gases through SEQA.
 - Additional guidance on Climate Action Plans (CAPs) will be provided in the future.
 - Caltrans recommended APCD review CAPTI policy developed by Caltrans in conjunction with effort to provide future APCD guidance on their version of CAPs.
 - Supplemental link to CAPTI provided below:
<https://calsta.ca.gov/subject-areas/climate-action-plan> This is the link to access the Climate Action Plan for Transportation Infrastructure (CAPTI) Comments due May 19. This is related to two Executive Orders from the Governor: N-19-19 and N-79-20

E. County Parks & Recreation

No Updates at this time.

- Vice Chair requested future update be provided for Templeton to Atascadero connector project.
- Chair also requested future update be provided for Bob Jones Trail extension.

F. County Planning & Building

Department is currently training new staff members.

- Request made for BAC committee to forward their areas of concerns to County Planning & Building for review.
 - Chair recommends committee members submit a list of locations within their districts that require attention and submit to County Planning for processing and consideration.
 - Chair mentioned Resolution 2008-152 Rural Development Safety Analysis Policy and provided discussion on its use and validity with development review and future projects.

G. SLOCOG

- *Bike Campaign SLOCOG Rideshare (May 20th thru 23rd)*
 - Also known as “Bike to Work Day.”
 - Use #Bikethere2021 on social media to help promote the program
 - QR Codes will be at every participating location (scan with phone to enter/redeem raffle prizes)
 - More information available at <https://rideshare.org/bikethere/>

- *Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)*
 - Public surveys on the regional plan have been solicited.
 - This document provides a framework for future project priorities and spending priorities.
 - Additional information and surveys available at: www.slocog.org/engage

- *Future Project ATP Cycles for Grant Funding*

There is currently a proposal to lower current score cutoff limits for future project funding.

 - \$2 billion request to enhance program for next ATP cycles.
 - Goal is to drop 89 score down to 60 to allow more projects to be funded (At least 5 projects within SLO County would directly benefit if this motion were approved)
 - This is currently a proposal going through legislation.
 - Governor may provide potential augmentation in May as part of upcoming re-vi-package.

- *Improving Leverage for future HSIP and ATP funds*

There is currently a multi-agency effort/movement to support projects aimed at reducing VMT.

 - SLOCOG is currently conducting internal review & strategic discussions
 - Presentation on this subject is scheduled for upcoming SLOCOG Technical Transportation Advisory Committee (TTAC) on 5/12/21.
 - Scheduled SLOCOG Board presentation on 6/2/21

H. BAC Chairperson

- Review existing BAC Bi-Laws and resolution 2006-374
 - Language regarding “Absentees and resignations” not consistent between BOS approved resolution and Bi-Laws “Quick Reference Guide.”
 - Specifically, policy language under “Membership” on page 25 of the guide does not match article VII “Absences and Resignations” of the Board approved resolution.
 - Chair would like to reconcile the quick reference guide to coincide with the approved resolution.
 - BAC Chairperson to author changes and submit to BAC secretary for final approval and public distribution.

7. PRESENTATIONS (10-12 minutes max)

No presentations

8. BAC BUSINESS & DISCUSSION

Action Item - Request to approve letter of support to John Diodati and County BOS to transition SLO County BAC program towards an Active Transportation Plan.

- Robert H. (District 4) requested re-iteration of Committee responsibilities if BAC transitions to an ATP program.
- Chair reiterated success with SLO City ATP movement and suggested that BAC committee may change and adjust accordingly as the program transitions into ATP. (Pending Board input and approval)
- Vice Chair requested clarification regarding SLOCOG having its own ATP committee and possible conflict with future BAC ATP
- BAC Chair reiterated that he did not see any conflict
- SLOCOG confirmed they do not currently have an ATP committee and their area of influence is working within the overlap between neighboring jurisdictions.

Motion to Approve – Josh Olejczak approved, Darrin H. second, 7/9 committee members in favor

Vice Chair raised question / concerns regarding street cleaning in Los Osos.

- Street sweeping & cleaning activities are generating a lot of particulates in the air at intersections with paved and dirt roads.
- Los Osos constituents are concerned this activity a waste of public funds.
 - BAC Secretary re-iterated that street cleaning activities are solely for stormwater compliance.
 - APCD reiterated that water is supposed to be used as part of street sweeping activities to reduce dust generation.
 - BAC Secretary to forward street sweeping concerns to Roads Maintenance

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Agenda items are to be submitted to the BAC chair and secretary no later than two (2) weeks ahead of the scheduled meeting. Requests shall include the desired recommendation, discussion, and any other items to be included into the meeting agenda.

- A. Review and Updated (as needed) to Committee Bylaws
 - a. Revise meeting attendance requirements on Quick Reference Guide (As needed)
- B. County Parks – Provide update to Atascadero to Templeton Connector project
- C. County Parks – Provide update to Bob Jones Trail Extension project
- D. Ramona Avenue along Sweet Springs Nature Preserve, Los Osos – Class II bike lane and parking
 - a. People are parking within the bike lane along transition portion that has curb, gutter, and sidewalk.
 - b. Requesting red curb or additional signage to maintain clear bike lane and delineate parking accordingly.

10. ADJOURN

NEXT MEETING – **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH, 2021**

FINAL MEETING – **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH, 2021**

Motion to adjourn – Josh Olejczak approves, Claude C. seconds, all in favor