

## MEETING MINUTES

### San Luis Obispo County Bicycle Advisory Committee

Tuesday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Online Forum // <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/599770613> // Access Code: 599-770-613

*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 presenting 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**

VACANT	District 1
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Josh Olejczak	Vice Chairperson, District 2
Claude Corvino ( <i>absent</i> )	District 2
Dale Sutliff	District 3
Myron "Skip" Amerine	Chairperson, District 3
Robert Horch	District 4
Darrin Hasham	District 4
VACANT	District 5
Ed Goshorn	District 5

#### Staff Present

Jan Devera	Public Works
Josh Roberts	Public Works
Steve McMasters	Planning & Building
Shaun Cooper	Parks and Recreation
John Dinunzio	SLOCOG
Terri Persons	CALTRANS

#### Others Present

Jim Decheco	Pedal Love
Melissa Balmer	Pedal Love
Dave Figueroa	DCR
Karen Aydelott	Bike SLO County

3. **Introductions**

Update BAC contact info - Darrin Hasham (new email)

4. **Approval of September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020 Meeting Minutes**

Motion to accept meeting minutes - 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 Board cannot discuss any matter unless it is listed on the agenda, in accordance with the Brown Act. The Board may agendaize these matters for future consideration.

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Karen Aydelott, Bike SLO County (*Due to connectivity issues, the following email correspondence was provided after the meeting*)

"First, I am an avid cyclist who is an amputee because I was struck by a distracted driver in Pasadena. And I was a close friend of Bridget Dawson. In my opinion as beautiful and attractive as our county is, it is not a safe place to ride. We have so few protected bikeways. LOVR is an example of that. I ride it frequently as do many other cyclists and in spite of COVID the traffic has greatly increased back to pre-COVID numbers and the speeds are often well above speed limits.

I believe that Robert Conlon's brutal accident and the loss of his leg should at the minimum serve as a wake up call. I believe that rumble strips on LOVR would be an excellent step toward dramatically increasing the safety of that busy road for cyclists.

Thank you for your 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** (*5 min. max., agendaize longer items*)

- I. County Public Works (*Jan Devera*) - *Deferred to project updates*
- II. CHP (*None present*)
- III. Caltrans (*Terri Persons*) – “Share the Road” and bicycle signage have been ordered and will be installed near the Toro Creek Bridge (Northbound highway 1 at Toro Creek) once they arrive. Signage is to inform bicyclists they can ride on the bridge. The delay is due to high demand in new signage due to fires burning other existing signage throughout the state.
- IV. Air Pollution Control District (*None present*)
- V. County Parks (*Sean Cooper*) – Bob Jones Trail Project (between Octagon Barn and Ontario Road staging area) submitted ATP grant application. Request was for \$18 million to construct 4.5 mile section. Currently waiting to hear back, application results likely to arrive early 2021. SLOCOG also waiting to hear back from SB1 grant application which included Bob Jones Project. Project is currently at 30% construction docs with Wallace Group. They are finishing up hydrology study and coordinating with Caltrans to vet ROW issues. Morro Bay to Cayucos connector project, between Cloisters and Studio Drive (beachside West of HWY 1), recently acquired Chevron property. Anticipating \$6 million for construction.
- VI. SLOCOG (*John Dinunzio*) - Regrettably SLOCOG was notified on September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020 that the California Transportation Commission (CTC) did not select the entire project to fund the Bob Jones Trail. As a result, this pot of money is off the table. Currently looking towards ATP Cycle 5 application. David Figueroa (DCR) and Melissa Balmer (Pedal Love) briefly introduced themselves and commented on their individual roles with the draft 2021 Regional ATP.
- VII. County Planning (*Steve McMasters*) – No updates at this time. The BAC has provided community comments on several projects throughout this year. Those project-specific comments were summarized and provided as part of the initial notices sent to respective review agencies. Members of the community can track each individual project through the review process to determine if their interests are addressed.
- VIII. BAC Chairperson (*Skip Amerine*) – Currently 3 vacancies on the BAC committee roster. Two are in District 1 and the third is in District 5. Another vacancy anticipated in District 3 (Dale's position)

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## 7. **Presentations** (10-20min max)

None

## 8. **BAC Business & Discussion**

- A. Show of Appreciation for Dale Sutliff - 9 years of service to the BAC (*Skip Amerine*)
- B. Discussion – Implementation of edge line rumble stripes on County maintained portion of Los Osos Valley Road, between Pecho Road to SLO City Limits (*Jan Devera*)

The BAC committee is requesting edge line rumble strips along this stretch of Los Osos Valley Road. There was a recent collision on October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020 in which a woman veered into a bicyclist (Robert Conlon) which resulted in one of his legs being amputated.

Public Works does not currently have a policy for placement of edge-line rumble strips. The department will discuss a variety of countermeasures over the next year or so, in conjunction with MUTCD requirements, and the BAC's comments would be appreciated. Once a policy is formulated, Public Works will conduct informed decisions on the application and installation of this specific countermeasure.

As a reminder, edge-line rumble strips are considered road improvements. These improvements will need to compete for funding alongside other road improvements that the County would pursue for future implementation.

In addition, Caltrans provided comment on the rumble strip project along 227, 41, and highway 1. The project includes both centerline and edge line rumble strips at specific locations. Project will commence sometime in 2021 and mumble strips are also being considered based on new/additional direction on installation and implementation of edge-line rumble strips. Also, there is consideration for installing linear gaps along the rumble strips to assist with bicycle transitions.

- C. Discussion - Updating Bikeways Priority List in 2021 (*Skip Amerine*)  
Sometime during 2021, the BAC Committee Chair would like to update the ranking of the projects of the Bikeways Priority List. (Specific area of concern is Buckley Corridor project)
- D. Review & adoption of proposed 2021 BAC meeting dates: (All meetings to commence at 6pm)
- February 9<sup>th</sup>
  - May 11<sup>th</sup>
  - September 14<sup>th</sup>
  - November 9<sup>th</sup>

Motion to Approve - Darrin Hasham approved, Robert Horch second, all in favor.

## 9. **Project Updates**

- Atascadero/Templeton Connector (*Jan Devera*)  
The project is moving forward with NEPA, CEQA and is fully funded by ATP. Revised MND available for 30-day comment hopefully soon. County Parks provided the following at the previous September 2020 meeting: *“Templeton to Atascadero connector is currently fully funded. The route has been modified to go between existing railroad tracks (approved by CA Transportation Commission) and a time extension has been approved for the redesign of the route.”*
- Avila Beach Drive at US 101 Interchange Project (*Jan Devera*)  
There are currently no new updates. Public Works provided the following at the previous September 2020 meeting: *“Funding procured for conceptual design up to full final design. 60% plans to be provided sometime next year (2021). Construction funding yet to be procured.”*

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- Hwy 1 bridges at Toro Creek and Old Creek (*Terri Persons*)  
Both Toro and Old Creek bridge projects (05-0L721 and 0L722, respectively) were delayed due to R/W utility conflicts. Both projects were set to advertise this past June and move into construction by the end of this year.
  - Toro Creek construction contract to be awarded – Spring 2021
    - Median cross over detour will not begin until Spring 2022  
(Gap in time due to limited construction window - ie. bird nesting, tree removal and dry creek season)
  - Old Creek construction contract to be awarded – Fall 2021 (At the earliest)
    - An additional traffic detour will be available (same as the one used during the Cayucos CAPM project) This detour will go near the Cayucos Cemetery and then rejoin SR-1 on the north side of Cayucos.
  - Both bridge projects will have similar cross sections
    - Shoulders will be widened 5ft inside and 10ft outside
    - Traffic detours for both will have 5ft inside and 8ft outside shoulders
  
- Proposed Buckley Road Corridor Plan (*Jan Devera*)  
The project is on holding pending collection of updated traffic data at South Higuera Street and Hwy 227. Initiation of the corridor plan would require current/near-term and future traffic data. The planned intersection improvements to Buckley at 227 and South Higuera may significantly impact near-term traffic data and the resulting corridor improvements. Therefore in order to provide a more realistic traffic forecasts and design plans, the corridor plans will commence once the new South Higuera intersection is operational and a steady-state traffic study for Buckley Road is completed at this future intersection as well as the existing intersection at Hwy 227.
  
- Prefumo Canyon Road and Turri Road Repairs (*Jan Devera*)  
The County is conducting slope repairs from October 12th Through mid-November on Prefumo Canyon Road and the road will temporarily have one-way traffic at MP 3.5 outside the SLO City limits. Turri Road will receive similar repairs sometime later this month, weather permitting.

## 10. **Future Agenda Items**

Agenda items to be submitted to chair and secretary at least two (2) weeks before scheduled meeting. Agenda Item requests to include desired recommendation and discussion as well as any other items to be included in the staff report.

- A. Updating the Bikeways Priorities list
- B. Hwy 227 Roundabouts
- C. Edna Valley & Price Canyon Anza Trail Project
- D. Input on Rural Development Safety Analysis Policy (Resolution 2008-152)
- E. Review and Updated (as needed) to Committee Bylaws

Robert Horch motioned to adjourn, Josh Olejczak second, all in favor.

## 11. **Adjourn - Next meeting – February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

# State Routes 1, 41, 227 Rumble Strip Project



**EDGE-LINE RUMBLE STRIP**

## LOCATION

Various locations on State Routes 1, 41 & 227

## DESCRIPTION

This project proposes to install ground-in, center-line rumble strips on State Routes 1, 41, and 227. Edge-line rumble strips will also be placed on SR 227. No shoulder or edge-line rumble strips will be placed where there is less than 5 feet of paved shoulder to the right of the rumble strip.

## PURPOSE

Reduce the number and severity of roadway departure collisions.

## NEED

The designated highway segments have experienced run-off-the road collisions as identified in the Federal Highway Administration's California Roadway Departure Safety Implementation Program.

## BUILD ALTERNATIVE

The project will install centerline rumble strips only on State Routes 1 and 41 as shown on the location maps (back side). State Route 227 will have centerline rumble strips from Price Canyon Road to Buckley Road, and edge-line in two sections:

- Patchett Road to just 0.4 miles north of Patchett Road
- 0.3 miles south of Corbett Canyon Road to Buckley Road

Edge-line rumble strips will feature long gaps every 60 feet along State Route 227. During the project's Plans, Specifications and Estimates (PSE) phase, rumble strip installations will be analyzed for potential use of sinusoidal noise-reducing (mumble strip) or shoulder rumble strip (offset from edge-line stripe) where appropriate.

## ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION COST

\$2.4 million – State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP) funding

## ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE

Start – Summer 2021

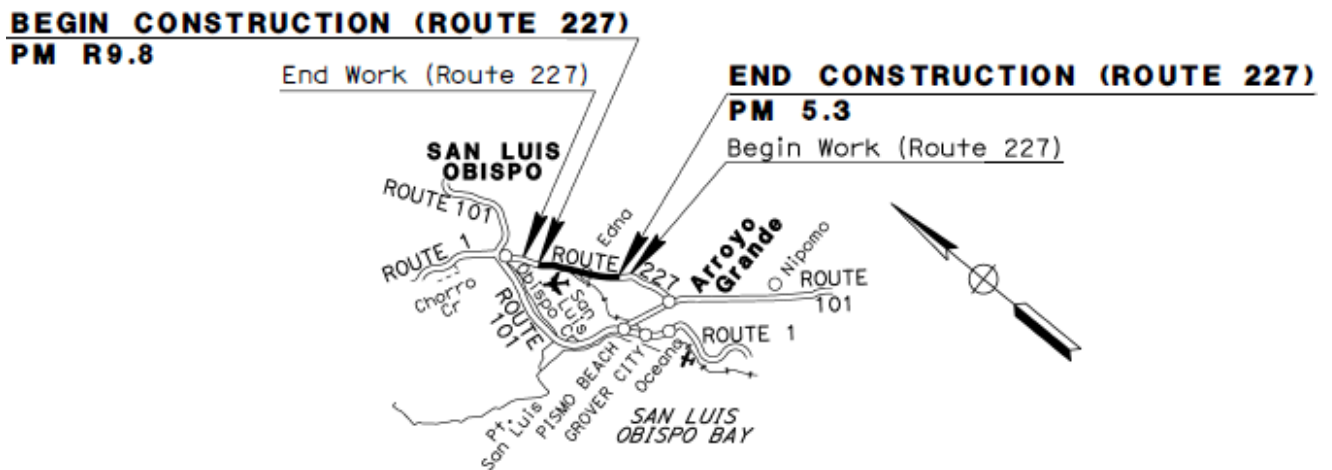
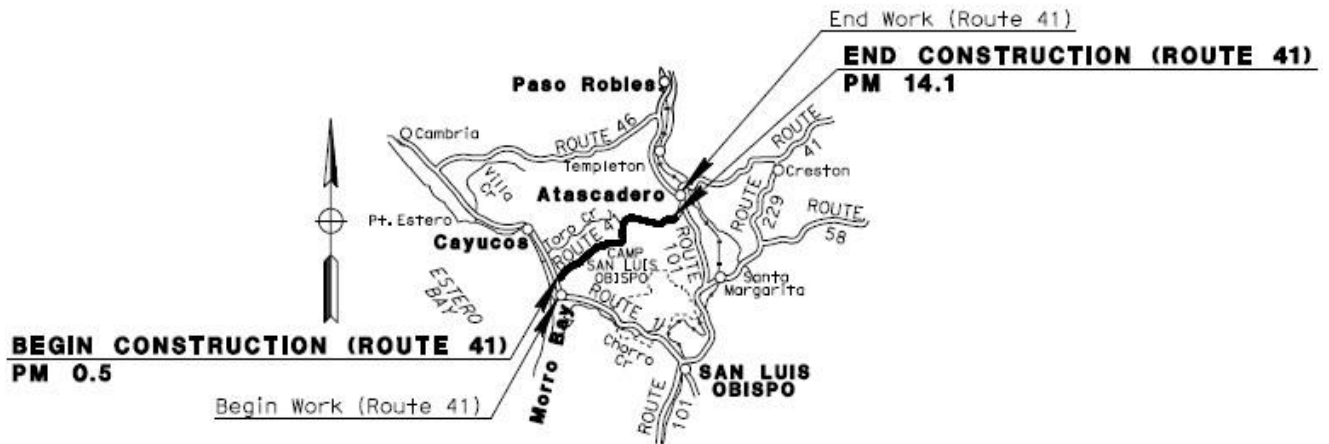
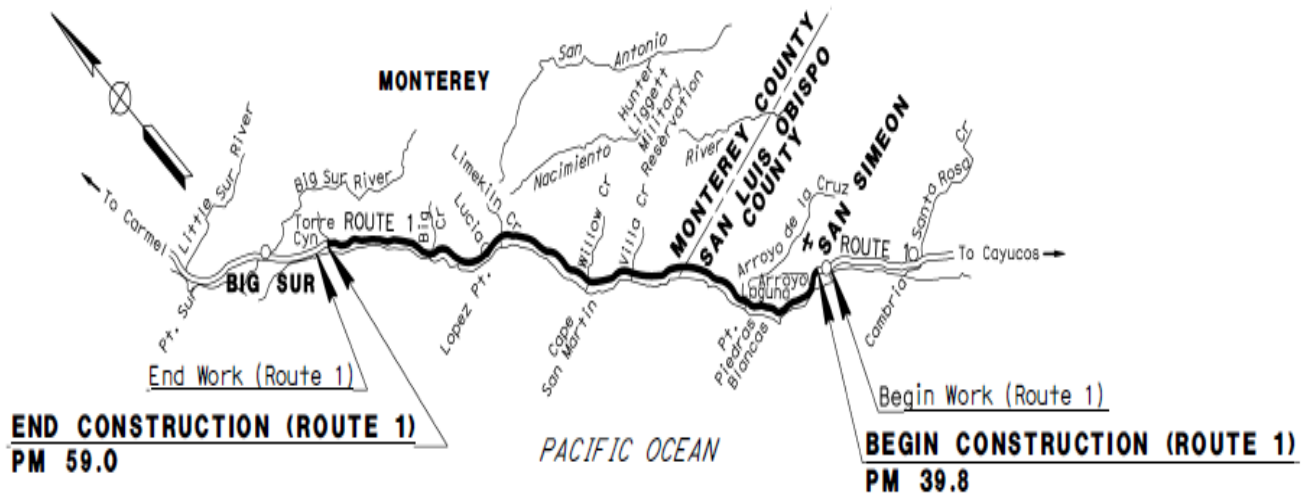
Completed – Spring 2022

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**ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE**  
Initial Statement – CEQA and CE – NEPA



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As discussed this morning, both Toro and Old Creek bridge replacement projects, 05-0L721 and 0L722, respectively, were delayed due to R/W utility conflicts. Both projects were set to RTL this past June and begin construction at the end of this year.

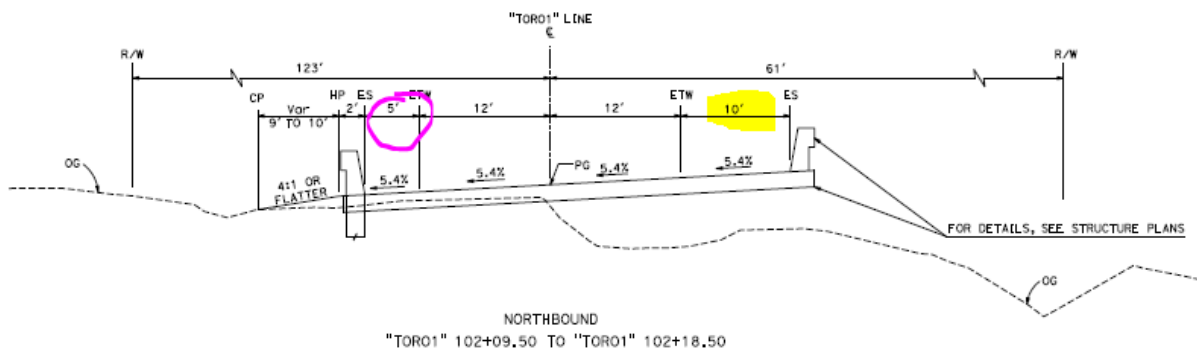
Toro Creek is now estimated to have the construction contract awarded in spring 2021, though the work for the median cross over detour would not begin until spring of 2022. The reason for the gap in time is due to limited construction windows of bird nesting and tree removals and then later the dry creek season from June 1 – October 1<sup>st</sup> of any year.

Old Creek is estimated to have the construction contract awarded in Fall 2021 at the soonest.

For both bridge projects, cross sections are typical for both bridges:

The shoulders on the structures are being widened to 10' outside shoulders (highlighted in yellow below) and 5' inside shoulders (circled in fuchsia below).

Traffic detours for both bridges will have an 8' wide outside shoulder and 5' inside shoulder during construction as shown below.





Typical Detour below:

**NOTES:**

1. NOT ALL ITEMS OF WORK ARE SHOWN IN EACH STAGE.
2. SEE TRAFFIC HANDLING PLANS FOR MORE DETAILS.
3. FOR ACCURATE RIGHT OF WAY DATA, CONTACT RIGHT OF WAY ENGINEERING AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE.

**LEGEND:**

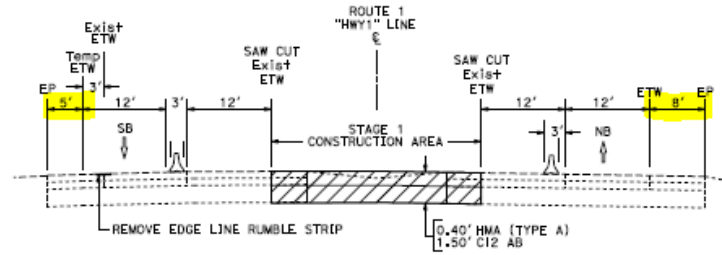
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**STAGE 1 CONSTRUCTION NOTES:**

- REMOVE SB ROUTE 1 EDGE LINE RUMBLE STRIP FROM "HWY1" LINE Sta 807+07 TO Sta 824+00
- CONSTRUCT DETOUR ROUTE 1 (MEDIAN AND SHOULDER PAVEMENT) FROM "HWY1" LINE Sta 807+40 TO Sta 811+02 AND FROM "HWY1" LINE Sta 818+28 TO Sta 822+30

**STAGE 1 TRAFFIC NOTES:**

- ROUTE 1 NB AND SB LANES DROPPED TO ONE LANE EACH DIRECTION



SECTION A-A

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Maria J. Nickerson REGISTERED CIVIL ENGINEER		
October 5, 2020		
PLANS APPROVAL DATE		
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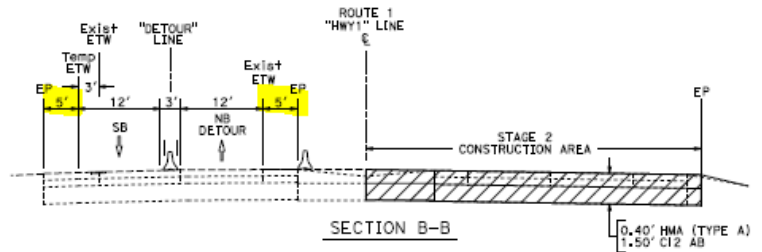
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**STAGE 2 CONSTRUCTION NOTES:**

- CONSTRUCT NB ROUTE 1 TORO CREEK BRIDGE AND OTHER ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS FROM "HWY 1" LINE Sta 812+92 TO Sta 821+12

**STAGE 2 TRAFFIC NOTES:**

- ROUTE 1 NB AND SB TRAFFIC TO USE DETOUR AND LANES AS SHOWN IN TRAFFIC HANDLING PLANS



SECTION B-B

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Old Creek has an additional detour that will be available, this will be the same that was used recently during the Cayucos CAPM project. CT obtained an encroachment permit from SLO County for both the CAPM and the Old Creek replace bridge project for this detour that will go near the Cayucos cemetery and then rejoin SR-1 on the north side of Cayucos.

Thank you,

Carla Yu, P.E.

Project Manager

Caltrans District 5