

MTA Bicycle Program Report to the BAC
3/20/07-4/20/07

A. BICYCLE FACILITIES

CARGO WAY (THIRD STREET TO JENNINGS STREET): Staff sent the revised draft striping drawing for the left turn approach on Cargo Way to the new Islais Creek Bridge to the Port.

COLORED BIKE LANES: Staff met to discuss our request to experiment that MTA plans to take to the next meeting of the National Committee on Uniform Traffic Control Devices in June. A copy of MTA's most recent request to experiment will be distributed at the April BAC meeting. One vendor completed a sample installation of the colored (green) pavement test while we are still awaiting word about the scheduling of second potential vendor installation; expected to occur within the next couple of weeks.

OTIS STREET BIKE LANE (SOUTH VAN NESS AVENUE TO GOUGH STREET) – SFCTA CAC approved our request for \$11,500 in TFCA-G funds.

MLK @ CONCOURSE TRAFFIC ISLAND: Staff continues to work with Rec and Park regarding design considerations for the recently installed traffic island.

POINT LOBOS (EL CAMINO DEL MAR TO BALBOA STREET) : Staff is coordinating design efforts with National Park Service and Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy for the proposed lane reduction/ paint bike lanes project.

SAN FRANCISCO STATE UNIVERSITY: Staff met with SFSU and SFBC to discuss bicycle parking on campus and the development of a short-term north-south bicycle route through campus (the long-term plan involves a very expensive ped/bike bridge). SFSU applied for SR2T funding to install bicycle racks and build a path through campus.

TOWNSEND STREET BIKE LANES (4TH STREET TO 8TH STREET): Staff finalized design options for adding bike lanes to this portion of Townsend Street. Next steps are to talk with the Pedestrian Program and DPW about process for adding sidewalks, and to begin community outreach with fronting property owners and with Caltrain.

B. BIKE PLAN EIR / INJUNCTION

BIKE PLAN EIR: Contract has been certified, a Notice to Proceed has been mailed, and a kick-off meeting with the consultant occurred on April 19th. The Environmental Evaluation Application was submitted to MEA-Planning on 04.12.07. Staff participated in a SPUR forum on the Bike Plan EIR 4/17.

C. SAFETY OUTREACH

ADULT BIKE ED: SFBC has drafted a flyer and schedule. One class date needs to be added. Bert Hill is scheduling this final class and SFBC will finalize the flyer/schedule.

ALICE FONG YU ELEMENTARY SCHOOL HEALTH FAIR, 4/13: Staff attended, fit more than 60 helmets and distributed bicycle safety information to 175-200 children and parents.

BAYVIEW CHILD HEALTH CENTER SAFETY FAIR: MTA participated in a bike rodeo at the grand opening of the Bayview Child Health Center this Saturday, March 31. Approximately 75 children attended and more than 50 helmets were distributed.

BIKE TO WORK DAY:

Bus Tail Cards and Car Cards: These items are being printed and due to be posted April 23-24. We will have 100 tail cards and 1,000 car cards, 25% of car cards which will be in Spanish.

Banners: Banners (with revised dates and COEXIST stickers) have been delivered and are due to be posted the week of April 16.

Energizer Station: MTA will staff the Energizer Station at 12th/Market. Senior Director Carter Rohan R.A. has already volunteered.

BICYCLE CITATION DIVERSION: Staff received info from Portland OR's new program, which apparently does not use the national curriculum. SFBC is also compiling information on comparable programs and a next meeting date will be announced soon. Apparently one traffic referee is opposed to the idea.

SIDEWALK BICYCLING OUTREACH: Staff is working with SFPD, DPH, SFBC, SAN and Ped Program to coordinate outreach events addressing bicycling on busy sidewalks. Most recent event happened on Market between Van Ness and 10th Street April 4th, 7:30 –9:30 am. This effort will lead into our summer outreach campaigns and to eventual enforcement stings of sidewalk cyclists.

PRESIDIO BIKE FAIR APRIL 29: at Peacock meadow (GGP) Staff is working with SFBC and Presidio YMCA to coordinate a bike rodeo at the event.

REPORT CARD RFP MEETING: Staff met with Andy Thornley of the Bicycle Coalition and Andy Bindman of DPH to reconfigure focus and monetary allotment of a section of the RFP. As a result, we will request additional funds from the TA to reflect the increased amount of consultant work.

COEXIST: New stickers (in 3 sizes and two designs) were received 4/16 and are a big hit so far.

NEW ZEALAND VISITOR: Judy Buchanan of Land Transport NZ visited 4/12 and met with staff.

RICHMOND BIKE FAIR: Staff is working with promoters to have a roadeo at this event 6/2 at the Richmond Playground.

D. PLANNING / FUNDING

PROP K QUARTERLY REPORTS: Staff prepared quarterly reports for all open prop K and B projects and submitted 4/16.

TFCA - Staff researched a list of open grants and delivered documents to the grants section to maintain current financial and project completion records.

TFCA REPORTING: Staff prepared quarterly reports for active TFCA projects and submitted 4/16.