

San Francisco Bicycle Plan

Presentation to

SFMTA Board of Directors



Agenda

HISTORY – How did we get here?

BICYCLING CONTEXT – Where are we now?

NEXT STEPS – Where are we going?

BICYCLE PLAN OVERVIEW – How do we get there?

History & Timeline

- **1997** – First San Francisco Bicycle Plan approved
- **June 2005** – Updated Bicycle Plan Policy Framework approved by Board of Supervisors and Mayor
- **June 2006** – City enjoined from implementing components of Bicycle Plan by California Superior Court
- **2007** – Environmental review of Bicycle Plan begins
- **November 26, 2008** – Bicycle Plan Draft EIR released
- **January 13, 2009** – Public comment period on Draft EIR closed

History & City Policies

- **Transit First Policy:**
 - Within San Francisco, travel by public transit, by BICYCLE and on foot must be an attractive alternative to travel by private automobile
 - BICYCLING shall be promoted by encouraging safe streets for riding, convenient access to transit, bicycle lanes and secure bicycle parking
- **SFMTA 2008 Climate Action Plan:**
 - Increase BICYCLING and walking as alternatives to driving

Bicycling Context

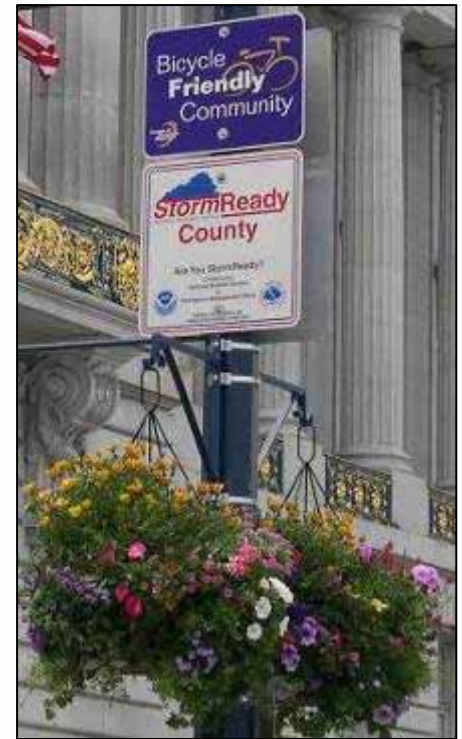


- Small: 47 square miles
- 2nd highest density in the U.S.
- Mild climate
- Hilly

Bicycling Context

Bicycling Continues to Grow

- **2007 Census:**
 - 2.7% bicycle to work in SF
 - US Average = 0.5%
 - CA Average = 0.9%
- **Citywide Bicycle Count :**
 - 14% increase in bicycling 2006-2007
 - 25% increase in bicycling 2007-2008
- **2008 SFMTA Survey Results:**
 - 6% of all trips in San Francisco made by bicycle
 - 75-80% people surveyed feel there are not enough bicycle lanes in San Francisco

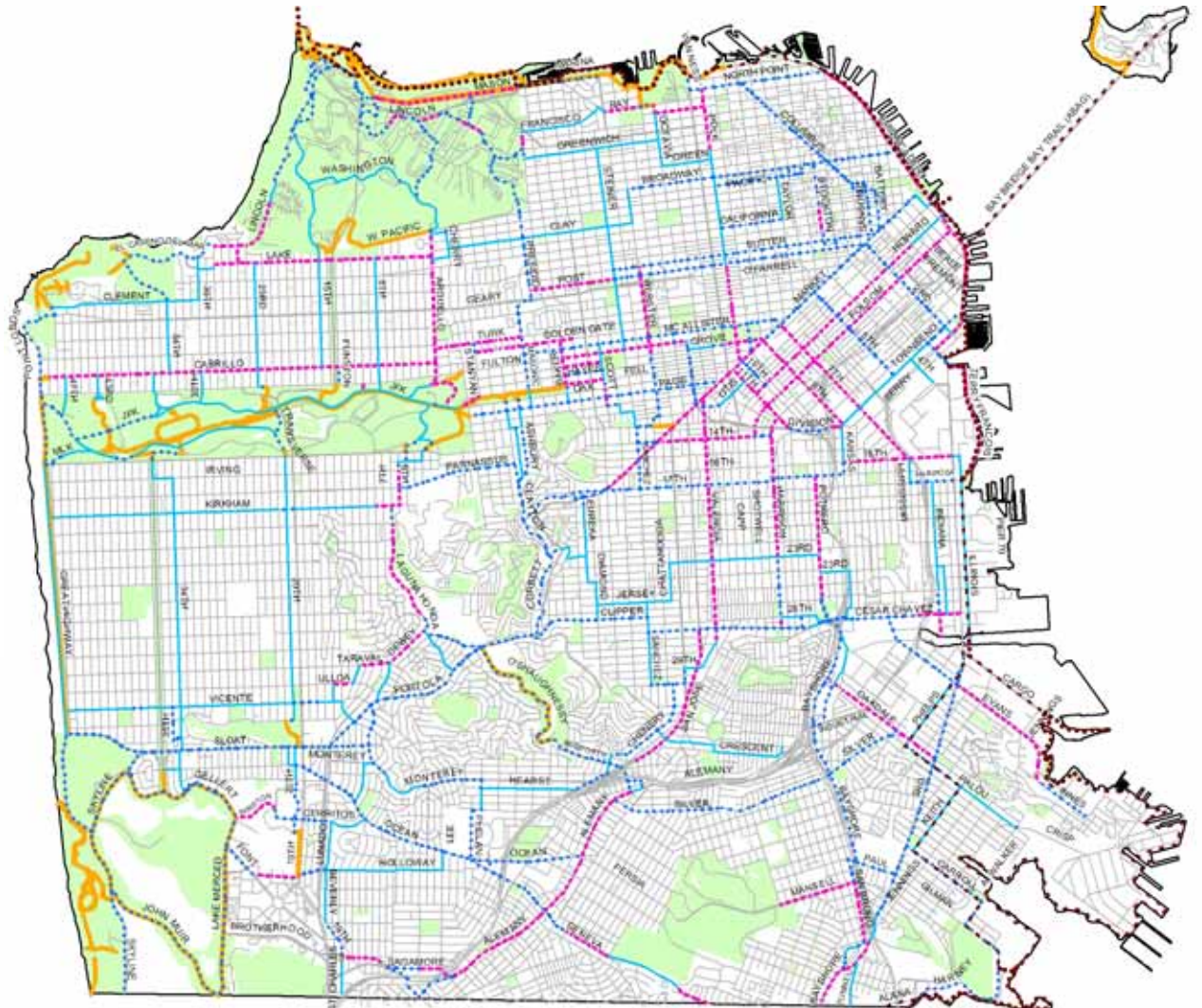


Bicycling Context

Bicycle Route Network

Existing Bicycle Route Network

- Off-Street Path (Class I)
- - - Bicycle Lane (Class II)
- Wide Curb Lane (Class III)
- - - - Signed Route (Class III)



Bicycling Context

Bicycle Route Network

Bicycle paths: 23 Miles

Bicycle lanes: 45 Miles

Signed bicycle routes: 140 Miles

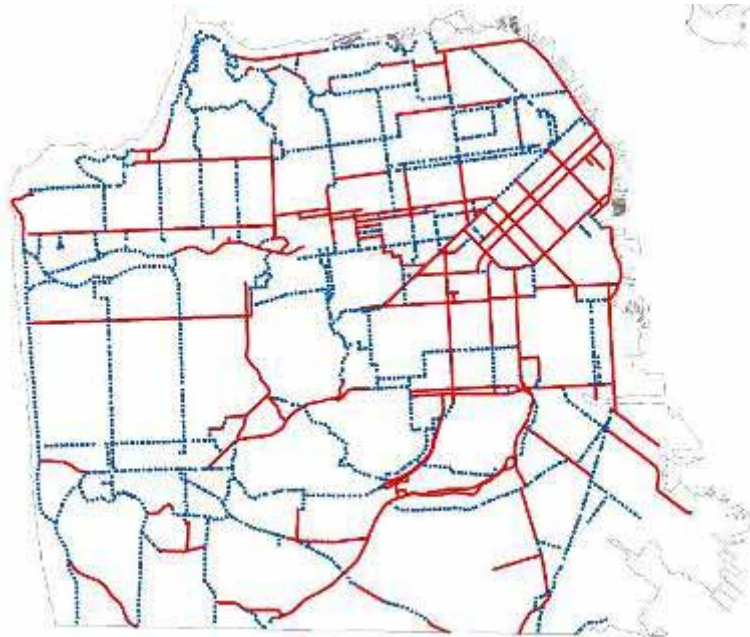
Total 208 Miles



Bicycle Plan Overview

Proposed overall goal: Increase safe bicycle use

Proposed vision: Make bicycling an integral part of daily life in San Francisco



Bicycle Plan Overview

Proposed Goals

Proposed Overall Goal: Increase safe bicycle use

1. Refine & expand the existing bicycle route network
2. Ensure plentiful, high-quality bicycle parking
3. Expand bicycle access to transit & bridges
4. Educate the public about bicycle safety

Bicycle Plan Overview

Proposed Goals

5. Improve bicycle safety through targeted enforcement
6. Promote & encourage safe bicycling
7. Adopt bicycle-friendly practices & policies
8. Prioritize & increase bicycle funding

Potential Policies and Programs



- Increase education & outreach programs



DON'T GET CAUGHT IN THE DARK

Bicycle Lights are Required by Law.
Be visible!

- White Front Headlight
- Rear Red Light
- Pedal & Spoke Side Reflectors

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Potential Policies and Programs



- Allowing bicycles on light rail vehicles
- Removing auto parking to provide for on-street bicycle parking



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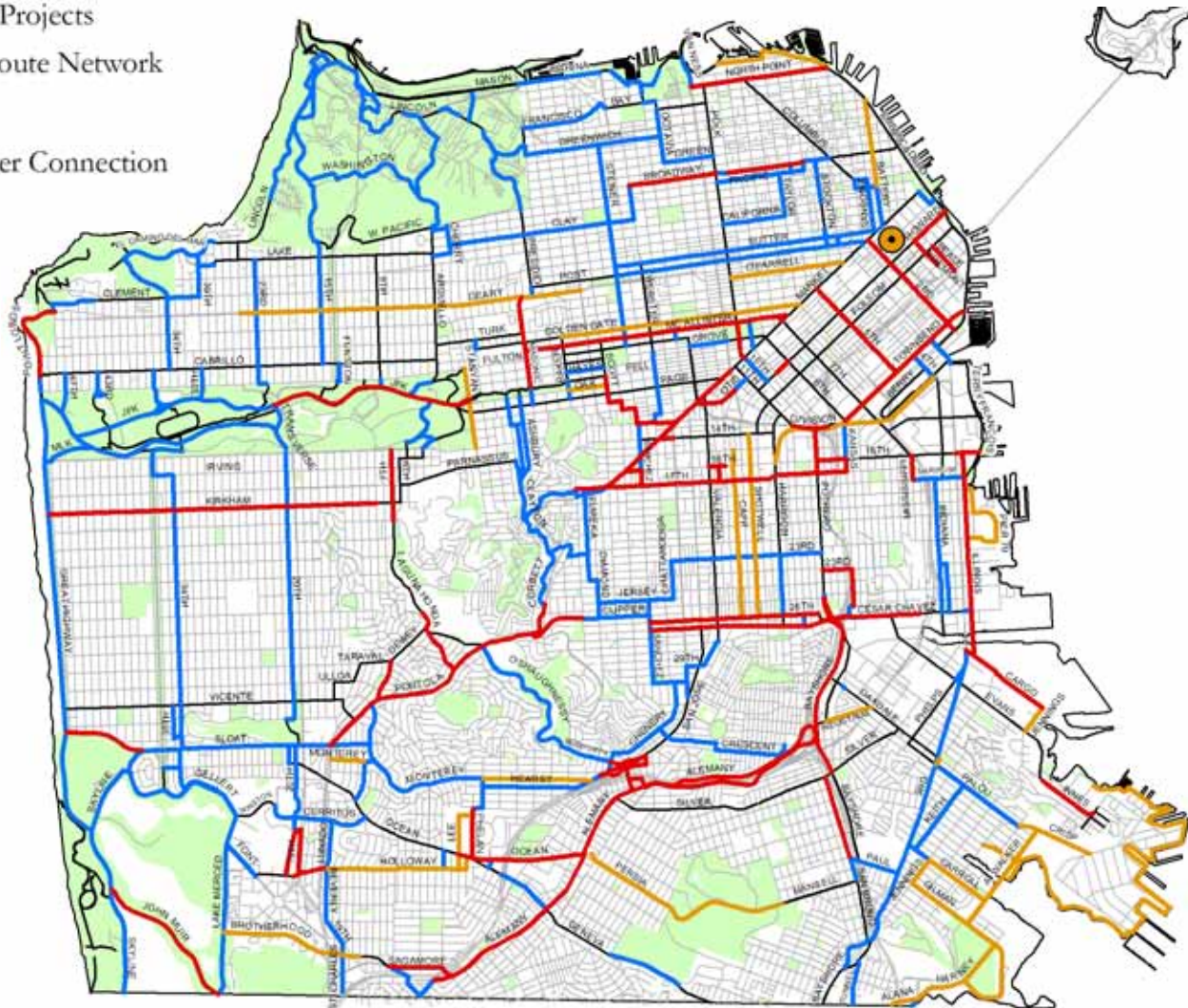


- Colored bicycle lanes
- Bicycle sharing program



Proposed Network Improvements

- Near-Term Bicycle Improvement Projects
- Long-Term Bicycle Improvement Projects
- Minor Improvements to Bicycle Route Network
- Existing Bicycle Route Network
- Long-Term Transbay Transit Center Connection
- Parks and Openspace



Proposed Minor Improvements

Sharrows



Bike Racks



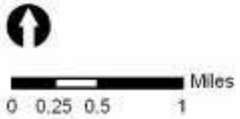
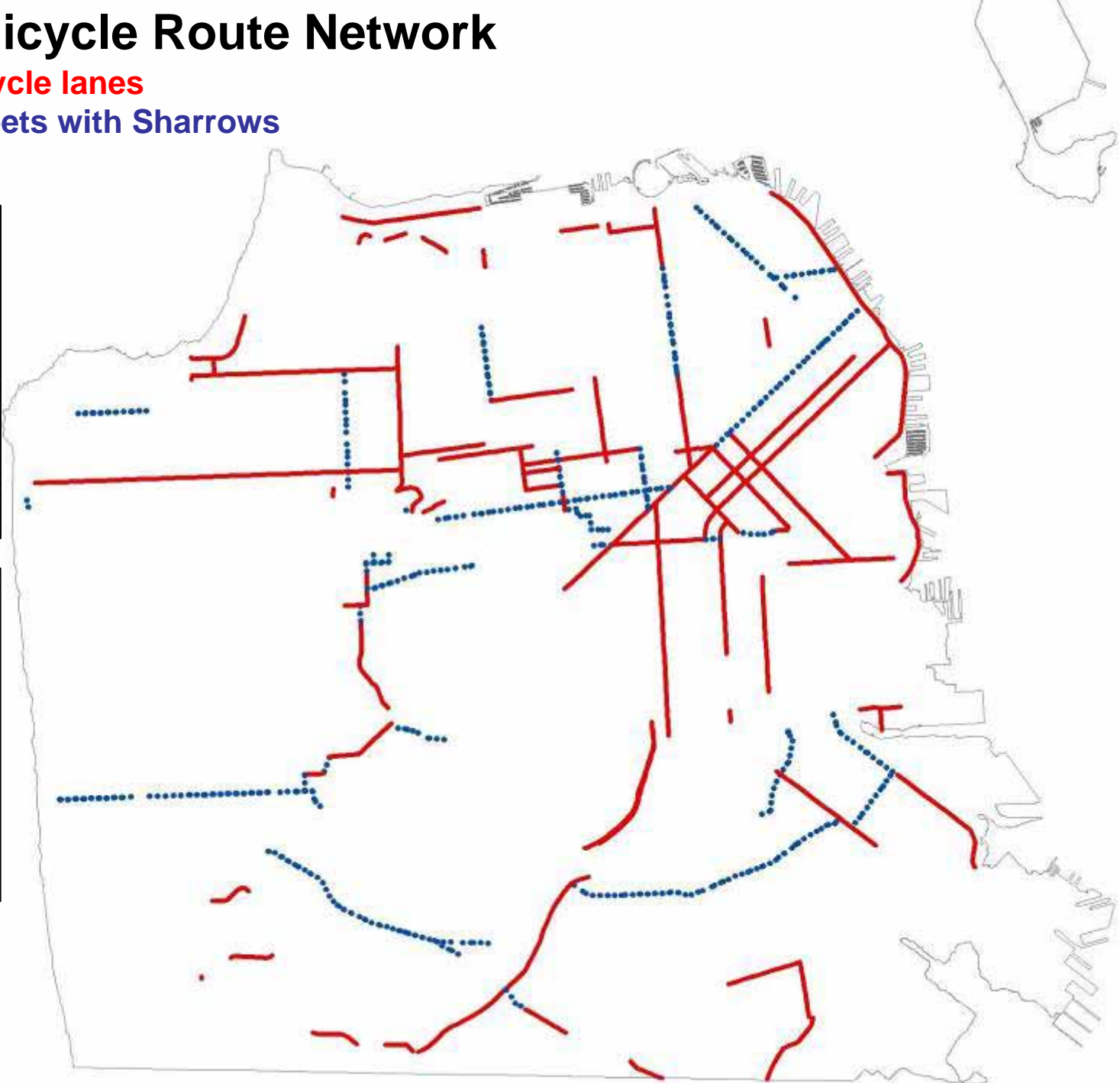
Network Signage



Existing Bicycle Route Network

45 miles of bicycle lanes

23 miles of streets with Sharrows

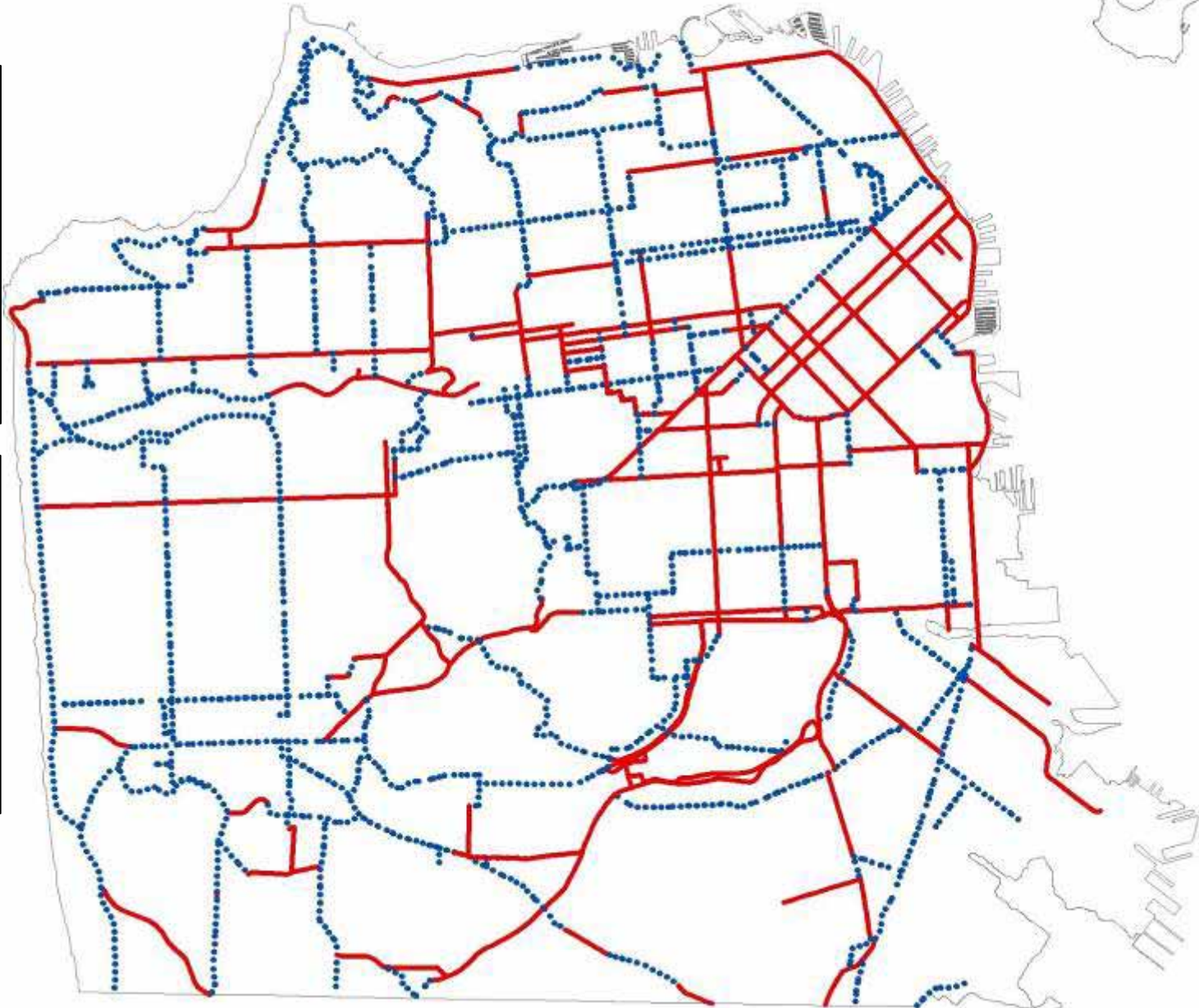


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Proposed Near-Term Projects

Proposed increase to 79 miles of bike lanes

Proposed increase to 98 miles of streets with Sharrows

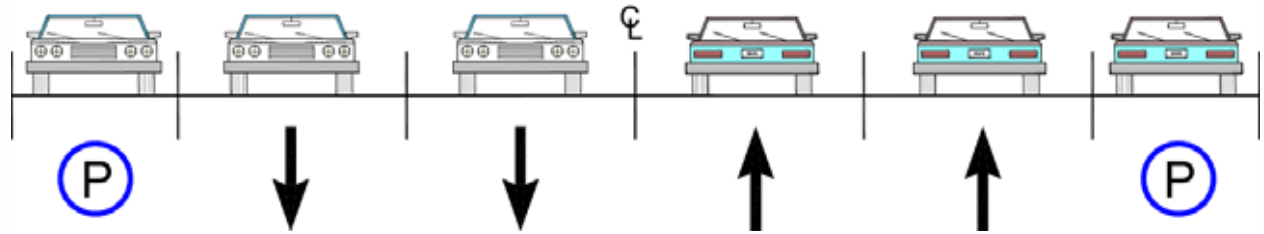


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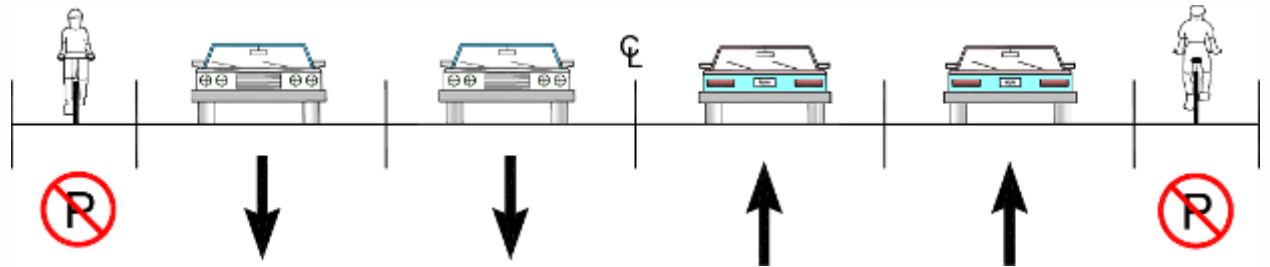
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Typical Bicycle Accommodation

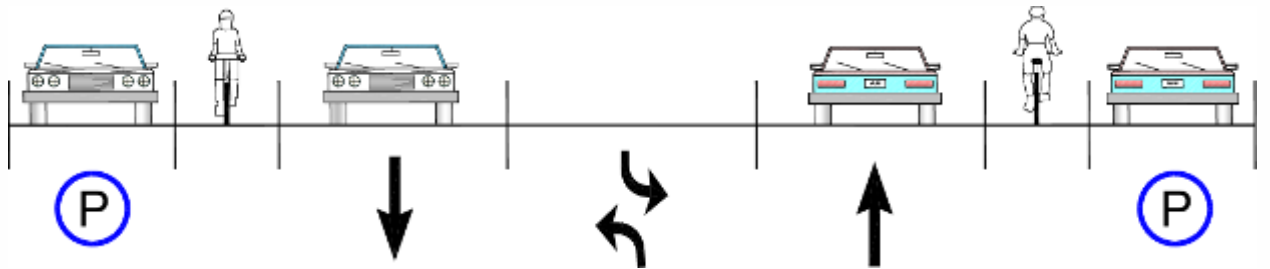
“Generalized” street



Parking removal

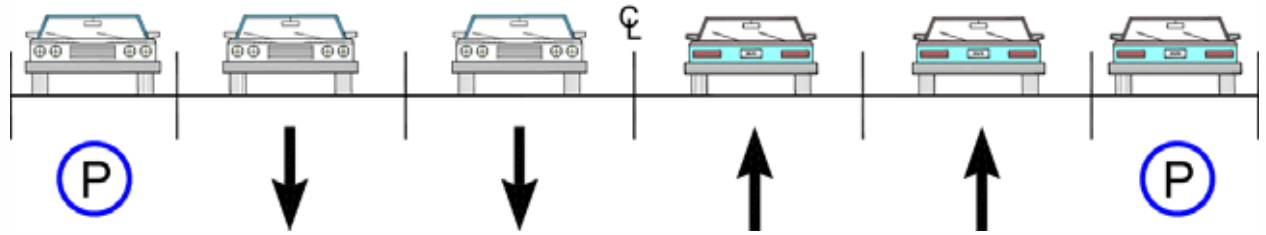


Lane removal

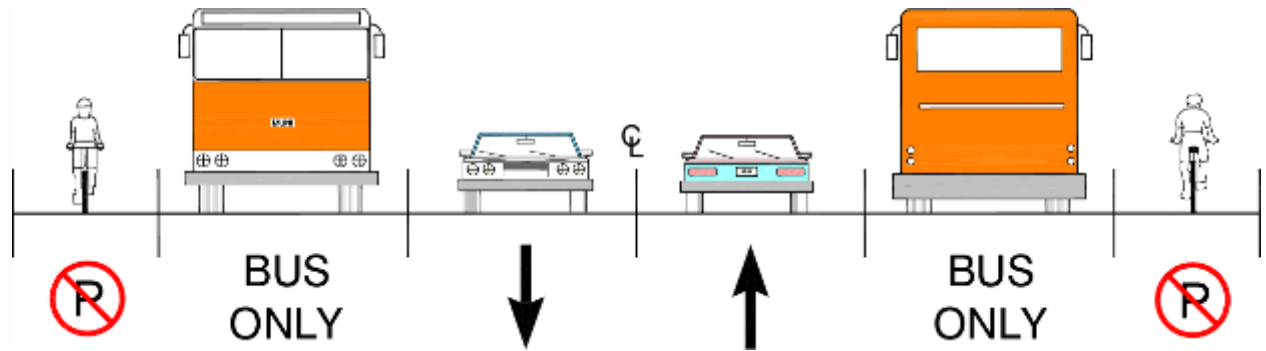


Typical Transit and Bicycle Accommodation

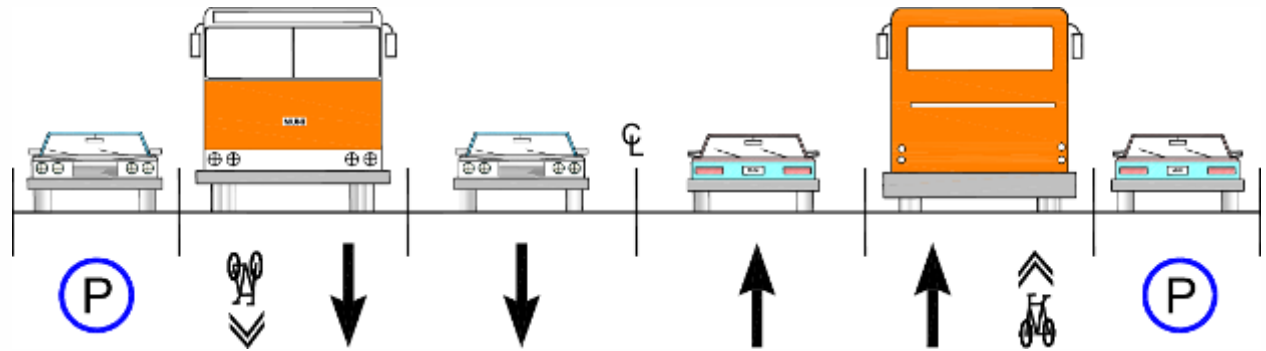
“Generalized” street



“Bus and bike” street



“Shared” street



Next Steps

Environmental Review

Plan & Project Approvals

Implementation

Draft EIR comment period

Draft EIR response to comments

Final EIR certification

Bicycle Plan adoption
Project legislation

Superior Court Lifts Injunction

Proposed minor improvements
Proposed near-term projects
Proposed policy changes

Jan-Jun 2009

Jul-Dec 2009

2010 - 2013

Thank You

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