



Sausalito SR2S Task Force meeting Thursday February 10th 2022

Attendance:

Wendi Kallins- Safe Routes to Schools- Program Coordinator, Gwen Froh- Safe Routes to Schools Program Director, Peggy Clark- Safe Routes to Schools-Program Manager, Andrew Davidson - Sausalito Senior Engineer, Kieran Culligan- Vice Chair PBAC, Jennifer Schriber - Parisi Transportation Engineer, Matt Farber- Safe Routes to Schools- Lead Instructor, David Suto- Resident,

Travel plans Update

<u>SR2S Task Force Travel Plan Presentation- Sausalito/Marin City</u> The following notes are based on the comments made during this PowerPoint presentation.

Safe Routes to School developed travel plans ten years ago for schools throughout Marin. Most of these plans have been implemented. Now it is time to develop new plans for the next decade. The new travel plans will be developed for school districts vs just individual schools. This will be a more comprehensive method; ensuring all schools are included in the planning process with identified objectives. Input from Task force members will be needed on a number of tasks; along with input from the PBAC and Transportation Committee. In some instances, approval either from the city and from the school district may be required

The goal of the program is to increase the number of students using green transportation modes to get to school, to instill healthy habits with children, reduce congestion around schools and create a safer and cleaner environment for all. These goals and objectives will be updated this year; task force members will be asked to submit suggestions for updating the goals and objectives if that is decided upon.

The program objectives pertain to participating in the program. Safe Routes wants to determine a realistic average percentage of green trips and how much we want to increase those green and active trips every year.

Green trips are basically everything from walking, biking, carpooling and bus travel. Active trips are only those trips where the students use their own power, walking, biking, skating, etc. All of these resources will be added to the district's travel plans.

Dot Maps (slide # 7)

The concentric circles are quarter, half and mile areas from a school. Dot They provide an idea of how many students actually live within walking and biking distances of a school. The location of the schools and the location of students' homes gives a good resource when setting goals and objectives: realistically, how many kids can walk and bike to school and take the bus.

Before the school campuses were split up; green trips were over 60% due to having close students live to the Marin City Campus. At this meeting it was not clear if the bus program was running or not.

The Safe Routes to School Suggested Route Maps (slide # 8) offer the best options for students traveling to/from the school. These routes are never guaranteed safe. They are not called Safe Routes to School maps. These maps are developed to assist students and families to determine the route best for them.

Sausalito - Marin City School District Issues List

Sausalito- Marin City SR2S Issues List

The following notes are based on the comments made during this powerpoint presentation.

The issues need to be prioritized. The prioritization is: a number one issue is categorized by the volume of students and major obstacles. Number two issues are categorized by either high volume of students or major obstacles. Number three is an issue that has a low volume of students and minor obstacles. These are subjective; task force member input is very important. They are all important and will be addressed in time.

Once they are prioritized, they will be plotted on a Google map. These maps provide a detailed view of the issues for discussion. Walk Audits will be scheduled for the number one issues, then concept plans will be developed with collaboration with the local DPW. Safe Routes has a very high success rate for getting these projects funded and completed. It can take a few years to have the projects built.

Department of Public Works Update

DRAFT Nevada St Plan Set 20200724

This project is in the final design phase with the plan for it to go out to bid in the next month and be under construction during the summer and before the start of the school year.

The project was awarded a small grant fund of \$50,000. There were several design ideas; the original was selected because of issues related to site distance, moving the center line and parking. It is a traffic calming project; the lanes will be narrowed, a buffer between the parked vehicles and the travel lanes. Two new/upgrades curb ramps will be installed at Tamales and Nevada Streets. Crosswalk and lanes will be repainted on Bridgeway.

A request was made to select/consider signs for students to use the sidewalk (sidewalk width is not changing) at Bridgeway & Nevada and Tomales and Nevada.

DRAFT Coloma St. Safe Pathways RFP.

The City obtained a Safe Routes to School grant for this big project. The final design is still needed. The final cost of the project is not known yet. Requests for proposals are out; two have been received and are under review. This is a gap closure project for a sidewalk; from MLK driveway to west of Bridgeway (area is currently dirt and used for parking). There will also be sewer and pavement improvements along with a pedestrian activated flashing beacon. The flashing beacon will be used by students from Willow Creek.

Sausalito- Marin City SR2S Issues List

The following notes are based on the comments made during using this list. The PBAC will review the comments and updates made to this list and report back. Safe Routes will reach out to the Marin City campus to address items.

The Sausalito issues were addressed; no one from Marin City was present to add comment.

S1 Terrace Dr.

PBAC provided suggestions during the meeting.

Traffic traveling southbound on Drake (to freeway) pretty fast when they turn on to Terrace. Traffic calming could be installed at the 90-degree turn; plastic flexible posts to slow drivers down. This could even deter drivers from turning on to Terrace.

S2- Nevada Street

This project is under way. It does not encompass all that was requested. It will be an improvement for students traveling for school.

S3- Bridgeway at Napa

There is a flashing beacon for pedestrians. This was a phased project that is when the light was installed. At one time it was proposed that a pedestrian island would be installed on Bridgeway. The PBAC understanding is this is high on a list for the CIP list for the city's projects. No design steps have been made as of this meeting. It is a top priority for PBAC.

DPW update: There is a request for proposals out for a safety study that includes between Napa and Johnson due in early March.

<u>S4 - Buchanan at school entrance- Crossing guard needed</u> At this meeting no update on the guard was available.

S5- Bridgeway bikeway to Nevada

The PBAC will be discussing several options. It is a priority for the PBAC; it will be a challenging project.

S6- Coloma/Tomales Street Crosswalk

See comments made provided by DPW- this will be removed from the list.

S7- Tomales Gravel Path #1

The DPW does not have plans at this time. It is heavily used and in poor condition.

S8- MLK Park #1

DPW stated this is an all-weather path. If they were provided advice on signs that would be needed, they can look into it. This is a #1 because it could be a low cost and easy project. The PBAC will look into the steps needed to take to move this forward.

S10- Marinship stairs

This could be a useful set of stairs for safer pedestrian travel. The city is currently managing the homeless encampment in this area. This is on hold for now.

S13- Tomales to Wateree #2

It is a well-used route for students to avoid a hill. DPW is not that familiar with the conditions in this area. PBAC will discuss.

S14 - Bridgeway between Nevada and Spring #2

Sidewalk on the easterly side of Bridgeway; it is in bad condition and currently closed. The DPW is evaluating the sidewalk losing support; it is dropping. There is no schedule; it will be a big project. Property owner is in communication with the city.

Marin City items from list: <u>S12 - Richardson to Marin City campus</u> No information available during meeting

S15 Donahue at Marin City Skate Park pathway No information available during meeting

Willow Creek Walkabout

On 2/11/22 a Walkabout was scheduled by the Friends of Willow Creek; they want to learn if they can "daylight" the creek area to create a path to be used as a suggested route to school. Daylighting is the process of returning urbanized creeks to their natural state.

Safe Routes Education and Encouragement

<u>Education/Encouragement Presentation - Sausalito - Marin City SD</u> This presentation was not made at the meeting but is being made available for information purposes.

If parent volunteers were not able to make the meeting in February, please use this link to let us know who you would like to participate.

<u>Parent Volunteer link</u> to register your school for spring encouragement events. Safe Routes encouragement really needs volunteers from the schools to help support efforts for safe green travel in Sausalito and Marin City. The Safe Routes school year started off very busy. One of the highlights included the city's campaign for selecting student(s) for Mayor of the Day hosted by Pat Eklund. The Safe Routes to Schools <u>newsletter</u> has a write up. If you do not receive this newsletter (4 x a year) please email <u>peggy@marinbike.org</u> to register.

Education Update

Safe Routes to Schools is on track for providing pedestrian and bicycle safety education to over 10,0000 by June 2022; currently 6,000 students have had instruction. School administration and teachers are dealing with illnesses related to COVD this month and this will impact the program for a short time.

There are a few schools that have not scheduled in several years. Safe Routes plans meetings each fall with new school administrators and reaches out to the PE departments to schedule classes and provide information on our encouragement programs. Task Force members are requested to provide school contacts to help facilitate scheduling our programs if possible.

Walk and Roll Events

Schools are encouraged to participate in these monthly events. Please contact cooper@marinbike.org for all information and event supplies. <u>English Poster</u> <u>Spanish Poster</u>

Wednesday, February 2, I love to Walk and Roll Day Wednesday, March 2, Happy Pi(e) Walk and Roll Day

National Bike to School Day is on May 4th-Spring Challenge 2022 JEDI Poster

An exciting spring challenge will be announced soon. This year's theme to continue with encouragement has the acronym "J-E-D-I" and "May the fourth be with you". It's a four-week contest, kids will have their cards stamped and enter into a raffle on National Bike to School Day on May 4.

Safe Route received an in-kind donation from <u>JAMBAR</u>. They are donating 5000 bars to be distributed at our participating schools.

Our annual Bike Hero nominations will be announced soon. This has been a very popular event for students to nominate other student(s) that demonstrates safe and positive cycling behavior with good humor of course! Please contact cooper@marinbike.org to learn more.

Parent BIKE Education Night!

In March, Mill Valley School District is hosting Marin's first ever Parent Bike Ed. Night. The district requested Safe Routes to Schools schedule this presentation to provide information on what their children are taught. Parents are students' best role models when demonstrating good cycling behavior. Not all parents know correct cycling behavior; the content in this presentation will cover what is taught to students annually. Parent Ed. Nights can be scheduled at other schools. Please contact Peggy@marinbike.org.

Family Bike Education

The next virtual class is on March 2nd. Advance <u>registration is required</u>. In the spring/ summer they will resume in person with locations throughout the county. These classes provide a fun and interactive learning opportunity for parents and students to learn the "best practices" for cycling on streets.

<u>Next Zoom Meeting</u> Thursday, May 5, 2022 at 9:30AM