



Tiburon SR2S Task Force
Meeting Notes
Friday April 29, 2022

Attendance: Inho (Eddie) Kim -Acting Regional Senior Project Manager Caltrans, Stewart Lee- Caltrans, Jennifer Schriber - Parisi Transportation Engineer, Gwen Froh- Safe Routes to Schools, Jessica Etchevers - Parent Volunteer & School Board, Jenna Watson-Parent & Parks and Open Space Commission member, Alice Fredericks -Council Member, Peggy Clark- Safe Routes to Schools, John DiCosmo- Bel Aire Principal, Mark Morancy-Caltrans, Chuck Hornbrook- Parent Volunteer & Parks and Open Space Commission member, Austin Bossetti - Caltrans, Zachary Cornejo- Caltrans, Michael song- VP

Issues List Review

[Reed SR2S Issues List](#)

Caltrans reported they met several times since the January task force meeting. They did have comments for a number of items on the issues list. Currently they are not committing to the recommendations they have noted; it is too early in their process. Below are comments provided during the meeting, please refer to the issues list link above to reference the specific issue. Caltrans will work with the DPW for Tiburon and meet with all involved organizations.

Safe Routes requested Caltrans and Tiburon DPW meet and discuss Caltrans comments regarding each issue and what they are investigating soon. Safe Routes would like Caltrans to continue to attend meetings and report updates.

If and when any of these issues are approved then Caltrans will develop a budget and determine feasibility and a timeline. These issues were not part of the environmental study; therefore it will take time. Caltrans may possibly report back by January 2023.

R1 Lack of Bike Lanes 1- Calrans is trying to include a bike lane; the space is limited and there are right-of-way issues. It could be a combination of Class 1-4 bike lanes.

R2 Speeding issues on Tiburon Blvd. 1- The location is being studied to determine if a flashing speed sign can be installed. Caltrans can consider 1-2 locations for a signal. Each signal cost about \$80,000. The exact locations need to be clarified. There are locations by schools spanning from downtown to Blackies Pasture. *Caltrans would like this list of locations*

List of the intersections for the flashing lights speed signs (west to east) at Tiburon Blvd:

- Blackfield Rd (Belaire Elementary - west of Blackies Pasture),
- Avenida Miraflores (Delmar Middle School),
- Rock Hill Rd (St. Hilary School) and
- Lyford Rd (Reed Elementary)

R4 Reed Ranch Road 1- There is no light here; drivers speed down the hill/ road and do not slow down until they get to Trestle Glen. There are two lanes and students find they need to run across to make the crossing safely. The current controlled intersections are far away from Reed Ranch Rd. Safe Routes would like a pedestrian refuge island.

Caltrans need to update their issues list with the correct issue (no bike lane).

R5 Steward Dr. 1- Caltrans had this included in a previous project- they believe it is already completed. A flashing beach has been installed.

R6 Avenida Miraflores 1- Safe Routes would like a pedestrian refuge island for the students to cross a wide road way safely. Caltrans is investigating a bulb-out on the southwest corner to increase space for the pedestrian waiting area.

R10 Mar West 1- Caltrans is investigating; this is the uncontrolled right turn with the pork chop island that is not standard. Caltrans is considering removing the pork chop island, installing a bulb out and extending the guardrail. It would end the free right turn.

R7 Gilmartin 3- The town was going to deal with overgrown vegetation; they may have already. Caltrans is investigating constructing a crosswalk or upgrading the curb ramps. A meeting with Tiburon DPW needs to be scheduled.

R8 San Rafael Ave. 2- Caltrans reported this is a challenging location. There is not much room, a good deal of private property and there are not built sidewalks. There are also environmental issues to be considered. Caltrans needs to consider alternatives to improve this area; it may need to be included in a future project.

R9 Ned's Way 3- Caltrans had questions on this location. Caltrans needs to know if that project included addressing the flooding at Ned's Way by the police department and issues by the Hilarita Apartments.

Two years ago, Caltrans maintenance staff did extensive cleaning of the drainage system in these areas. They want to know if this may have addressed the flooding problem on the issues list. Task force members reported flooding did occur this past winter in spite of the infrequent storms this school year.

Caltrans was directed to get an update from the Tiburon DPW on work completed and the current status.

Greenwood Cove Drive (by the 76 gas station). This is a roadway area used by students traveling for school. Caltrans is investigating flooding issues at this location. They are considering a creek barrier to prevent flooding during King Tides. The barrier would be along the edge of Tiburon Blvd. and not address any of the flooding that occurs "on" Greenwood Cove Drive itself. The flooding issues in this area involve several jurisdictions, not just Caltrans.

Update on Del Mar Issues

The Town Council recently approved a number of projects that are related to the efforts of the Safe Routes to School task force.

Upcoming Safe Routes Activities

Safe Routes Education and Encouragement Spring 2022

[Safe Routes to Schools](#) has launched its new website (the web link has not changed). The improvements include; better navigation, Spanish translation option; archived pages have been removed, improved access to Task Force group information (meeting dates are posted), newsletter publications, ongoing encouragement activities and education resources. If you have not received it, please email peggy@marinbike.org

J.E.D.I. Challenge April 13, 20, 27, May 4

The J.E.D.I Challenge is a four-week contest to help reinforce the habit of walking, rolling, carpooling and taking the bus to school. Reed and Bel Aire Schools are participating. The school's valued parent volunteers will host welcome tables.

Bike to School Day- May 4th- "May the 4th Be With You"

This national annual event supports walking, biking, skating, scooting and strolling to school! All Tiburon schools are participating; welcome tables will be set-up with volunteers handing out (donated) JAMBARs to our walkers and rollers.

Mark your calendars! Community representatives are welcome to visit their local school on May 4 to celebrate. To learn more please contact elementary contact monica@marinbike.org or cooper@marinbike.org or lou@marinbike.org for middle school details.

Graphic Art Talent at White Hill Middle School

The flier for BTSD was designed by a middle school student. Safe Routes web site has a gallery displaying all of the submittals by the middle school students. This was supported by the school teachers. If middle school students would like to submit artwork for our event posters, please have them contact gwen@marinbike.org.

Annual Bike Hero AWARD- – Coming This May

(Check the [Safe Routes to Schools](#) website to learn more and nominate a hero).

Seeking Bike Heroes – students who are stellar “roll” models by biking to school frequently while *following the rules of the road*. In May, parents, neighbors, friends, teachers and administrators are encouraged to nominate a Bike Hero from their school worthy of receiving this county-wide award. This is an annual event.

[Bridge the Bay Event for High Schools April 23](#)

The Bridge The Bay in Pickleweed Park event supported and inspired high school students' climate activism, and education about the impacts of greenhouse gas emissions on our neighboring communities. The focus was on carbon-free active transportation and equitable rights to clean air. It was a huge success; over 60 bikes were serviced, San Rafael High School students stayed longer than they had planned to help out!

A professional street painter led a community mural, [The Bike Mobile](#) provided free bike tune-ups and there were games, food and more.

Surveys- Student Travel Survey

The Safe Routes to Schools student travel survey is required for program funding. The survey measures the number of students traveling to and from school by various modes of transportation (bike, walk, carpool or bus). It will be conducted in classrooms during May.

Data was not collected for the 2020/2021 school year. Safe Routes is encouraging all participating schools to conduct it this spring.

Surveys- Parent Survey

Safe Routes conducts this survey every three years at a select number of participating schools. Schools are selected to survey a cross section of the county's demographics to learn if barriers and opportunities have changed over the years. This survey will be distributed in both English and Spanish to the school district. If possible the format will be in email and text formats.

Crossing Guard Program Update

The crossing guard program is managed and funded by The Transportation Authority of Marin. It is up for renewal this year. This evaluation process will be examined including the scoring process used to evaluate where a guard is to be stationed.

The three changes will include:

1. Safety: it will be weighted as a score of ten versus five.
2. The definition of TK will be redefined to include this age group.
3. The definition of speed limits by school will be updated.

The actual speed of drivers will be evaluated to understand the safety needs at a crosswalk.

The evaluation will be conducted at the start of the next school year, in the fall. A report will be developed and presented in the spring of 2022 to the Board. The updated list of crossing guard locations will be implemented in the fall of 2023.

Crossing guard positions are available county wide. People interested should contact Dan Cherrier, TAM Crossing Guard Manager at dcherrier@tam.ca.gov.

Travel Plans Safe Routes to Schools Goals and Objectives

Safe Routes is preparing travel plans for all school districts. Reed School District Task Force members are requested to review the document and provide comments to Wendi as soon as possible. Other task force groups have submitted feedback that is included county wide.

An example of an edit is the footnotes that describe what Active and Green Transportation means. A Bus program is considered green.

The objectives are the actions that will be taken that can be measurable to achieve the stated goals. When Safe Routes has a mature program as Reed District, Safe Routes has to be realistic when determining the percent increments. Each school needs to maintain an average of 50% green trips every year: elementary is 60%, middle schools and 70%. The task force needs to identify the infrastructure issues that are barriers to students walking and biking school.

The Reed School District does not have an approved Safe Routes to Schools Policy. Most districts in the county do. This policy ensures the program will be supported annually especially when district and school administrators leave. Safe Routes would like assistance to present a policy to the School Board for approval.

Bel Aire Encouragement Supplies

Jena will be dropping the SR2S supplies to Jessica Etchevers for next year's events.

Next Zoom meeting Thursday, Sept 8, 2022 at 10 am