



Mill Valley Task Force - February 16

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Next Meeting: May 25, 9:30 AM

- **Participants**
 - Wendi Kallins – SR2S
 - Gwen Froh – SR2S
 - David Hoffman – Parisi Transportation Consulting
 - Jen Shriber – Parisi Transportation Consulting
 - David Parisi – Parisi Transportation Consulting
 - Mac Grosel – Parisi Transportation Consulting
 - Susan Gladwin – Climate Action Task Force
 - Urban Carmel – Mill Valley Council, TAM Board
 - Rob LaPorte – Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy
 - Elli Abdoli – Mill Valley School District Board; Strawberry resident
 - Zoe Reckas – MCBC
 - Jen Imbimbo – Aide to Stephanie Moulton Peters
 - John Neville – Marin County DPW
 - Jennifer Durkee – Park School PTA
 - Julio Arroyo – Mill Valley School District facilities
 - Matthew Hartzell – WTB TAM
 - Christina Mueller - Parent
 - Ahmed Aly – City of Mill Valley DPW
 - Alexandra Jenkins – Tam High Parent Liaison to Safe Routes
 - Dominic Blurton – Tam Junction resident, cyclist, parent
 - Hugh Kuhn – Mill Valley resident, Steps Lanes and Paths
 - Lisa Rao – Community volunteer
 - Jen Reynolds – Tam High parent
- **Strawberry Walk Audit Report**
 - Concepts need to go through County review
 - Potential long-term recommendation for Tiburon/Strawberry/Bay Vista intersection

- Shorten crosswalks, install curb extensions, remove right turn slip lanes to reduce number of vehicle/pedestrian conflicts, add traffic signals, add sidewalk on east side of Bay Vista. It is modeled after what Caltrans recently did at the Cove intersection
 - Intersection is owned by Caltrans, which is planning to repave Tiburon and formalize bike lanes on shoulders. About to undergo environmental review of SHOPP program. While John can't recommend the proposal until he has a chance to review it, Safe Routes can send it to Caltrans to see if it can be included in the environmental review.
 - Next steps: work with the county and Caltrans, submit plans as a potential idea
 - Caltrans contact: Saman Soheili, P. E., Project Manager Department of Transportation Division of Prog/Proj. Management PM North – Marin County (510) 821-8575 saman.soheilifard@dot.ca.gov
 - Ricardo Lane:
 - Add edge line, red curb to prevent parked vehicles from infringing on sidewalk
 - Ricardo Road/Richardson Drive intersection
 - Add paint and bollards to push traffic away from walkways
 - Ricardo and Reed intersection
 - Tighten intersection, start with quick-build bulb-outs which is really just paint and posts. This could lead toward long-term remedies after we monitor the success of something of the quick build.
 - the north side Richardson Ricardo, a five-legged intersection, the intent of potentially teeing it in to Richardson so that we don't have five approaches at the intersection concurrently - try to channelize and define things a little bit more. Need to confer with the County to refine
 - Reed Blvd
 - A very big intersection at the crest of a hill.
 - Explore some channelization and tightening things up
- Education and Encouragement
 - All elementary schools have conducted education except for Strawberry, which is being scheduled
 - Return of the JEDI Challenge March-May, includes a Cleary Bike giveaway and helmet from Mikes Bikes at each elementary school
 - Bike Hero award in May; students, teachers, principals, parents, whomever can nominate a good role model throughout the month of May. That is a student who follows the rules of the road and is also encouraging other students to ride their bike.
- E-bike education
 - MCBC new program: E-Bike Smart Marin
 - Will host e-bike class and field trip for middle school students (April, after school or weekend, opt-in) Parents noted that baseball season is starting and it may be challenging to attract students.
 - Asked about speed limit on Multiuse trail – it's 10-15 MPH depending on location https://library.municode.com/ca/marin_county/codes/municipal_code?nodeId=TIT10PA_C H10.05VETRRE_10.05.05OSPLI

- Mill Valley is exploring an ordinance that puts out rules for writing e-bikes, not on sidewalks, not in playgrounds, not in gyms, not on playing fields will allow law enforcement to pull students over for not following rules of the road.
 - Students who receive a “citation” will be directed to receive the E-Bike training
 - Recommendation (non-enforceable) that people under the age of 16 shouldn’t ride tandem
 - Looking to standardize across the county
 - Education at point of sale, at schools, etc.
- Street Smarts
 - Campaign rollout starting April 10 for six weeks
- Park School map
 - Mapping workshop held in January to review draft map
 - Updated crossing guard locations
 - Added directionality around school for drop-off/pick-up route
 - Would be a process to convert the street to one-way, even temporarily
 - Del Casa Drive – gravel can be slippery for cyclists. It’s a non-city maintained road from Elm to Manor, Valle Vista to end
 - Hugh noted that there are steps and trails on the map. Not all steps/trails may be developed for walking on; they are just City easements. He recommended using the hiking map instead
 - He also suggested using park and walk locations. SR2S has been actively promoting park and walk, but not all schools have good alternate drop-off locations
- E. Blithedale Project Update
 - Work started last week, should be completed in the next few months
 - Complaints about traffic in the morning → directed contractor to change work hours to start at 8:30 AM
 - June/July estimated for the paving work to begin
- Downtown Mill Valley pedestrian projects
 - Safety improvement project about to start construction in a few weeks
 - Refuge island and bulb-outs to be added at Throckmorton
 - Miller Ave – sidewalk to be widened by about 4 feet, bike racks to be added
- Almonte to Tam Junction
 - Raised pylons will be installed from Rosemont to Miller Creek Rd along white edgeline to provide a positive separation between pedestrians and drivers
 - Evolving Shorelines Project at Bothin Marsh. Reroute path from Miller/Almonte junction to Tam Junction to cross Coyote Creek. Not designing any improvements south of Coyote Creek, but looking at adding a connection from multi-use path to the crosswalk at Rosemont Ave. Considering sidewalk from Rosemont Ave sidewalk to corner of the preserve at Tam Junction. Also considering trailhead at Tam Junction next to native plant nursery. Rob LaPorte rlaporte@parksconservancy.org
 - Timing: Wrapping up 30% design phase. 5+ years out from construction
 - Rosemont crossing is going to be evaluated for a possible crossing guard
 - School zone near Almonte: signs were updated a few years ago and are at the correct locations

- Lisa: Here is a link of videos I have taken showing a need for more visible crosswalks at Rosemont & Helen along Almonte Blvd near Tam Junction. Bollards also needed along Almonte Blvd, and painting of the actual bike lane has worn away in many areas leaving zero visible protections.
<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/10l0YdjmyzDurYpYmIV8kEISgBddcJv0l>
- Friends of the Steps, Lanes & Paths working with the city to keep stairs and trails clean and walkable. A number of routes were designated as public access ways, but property ownership isn't clear. The group is trying to open up some of these public access ways and develop them as routes to school with SR2S. Will present at Spring meeting
- Next Meeting
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