



Larkspur-Corte Madera SR2S Task Force Meeting

May 18, 2023

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- Participants
 - Wendi Kallins – SR2S
 - Gwen Froh – SR2S
 - Dan Cherrier – TAM
 - Molly Graham – TAM
 - Jen Shriber – Parametrix
 - RJ Suokko – Corte Madera DPW
 - Demetre Copeland – Corte Madera DPW
 - Julian Skinner – Larkspur DPW
 - Charles Lee – Corte Madera Mayor
 - Matthew Hartzell – WTB-TAM
 - Cheryl Longinotti – Corte Madera BPAC
 - Patricia Ravasio – Corte Madera Town Council
- Education and encouragement
 - All district classes have been conducted.
 - All events have been conducted. One activity remains for the year – annual Bike Hero Award. Students who are good “roll models” can be nominated through the month of May. Two elementary students and two middle school students will be recognized at the end of the month. Visit the SR2S [website](#) to nominate a student.
 - E-bike efforts in Marin
 - Mill Valley developed an [ordinance](#) around proper e-bike behavior. Parents are notified of students’ bad behavior and students can take an e-bike safety class if they have infractions.
 - Ross is taking an education approach towards e-bikes. Students get ‘oops’ cards for bad behavior or ‘beary good job’ card for good behavior, which enters them into a drawing. Behavior change has been reported as a result of this practice. [View cards](#)
 - SR2S will meet with the police chief in August to discuss behavior and ways to encourage safe e-bike behavior.

- SR2S teaches e-bike safety in its classes as well.
 - TAM can potentially highlight all three of those strategies in the next executive director report.
- Crossing guards
 - Sites are re-evaluated every four years to ensure that crossing guards are present where the most need is. The latest evaluation was postponed to 2023 due to the pandemic and the updated list was just approved.
 - Criteria for crossing guard location evaluation are based on the Manual for Uniform Traffic Control Devices standards and include vehicular volumes, school-aged pedestrian volumes, stopping sight distance at intersections, etc. Crosswalks are scored individually, and the site score is the highest crosswalk score.
 - Changes to sites have resulted from declining school enrollment, completed capital projects, signal timing, no right on red, and school closure/consolidation
 - Larkspur & Corte Madera results
 - Guarded sites
 - Doherty Drive & Rose Lane (East)
 - Larkspur Plaza Drive
 - Mohawk Avenue in front of Neil Cummins
 - Magnolia and Wiltshire
 - Hickory near Mohawk
 - Magnolia and King
 - Paradise and Seawolf: paid for by school district
 - Tamalpais and Eastman
 - Temporarily guarded sites (through fall 2023)
 - Corte Madera and Tamalpais and Redwood
 - Unguarded sites (starting fall 2023)
 - Redwood and Pixley: will be unguarded, guard moved to Eastman and Tamalpais. This move was approved by the town in the last round.
 - Spindrift and Prince Royal
 - Notice of the upcoming changes will be distributed through task forces, PTAs, on-site, etc. prior to the changes being implemented in August.
 - Sites can be reevaluated in the future if there are changes at the sites. PTAs/school districts can self-fund a crossing guard through the TAM program. A volunteer program also exists, but the district would be required to furnish a guard for the entire year or be charged up to the full cost of a crossing guard. The town could also choose to fund a guard.
 - Pat Ravasio expressed concern about not having a guard at the foot of Christmas Tree Hill
 - RJ noted that the evaluation process had also changed and that might have accounted for some of the location changes. He also pointed out that there have been safety improvements to Pixley and Redwood.
- Street Smarts
 - The spring Street Smarts Eyes Up campaign is ongoing through the end of May
 - Visit <https://www.tam.ca.gov/streetsmarts/> to download social media graphics or request a yard sign.
- Corte Madera updates

- Hart Street Connector: Received some funding from TAM to develop this project. The project aims to develop a formal, accessible connection between the Hart Street neighborhood and the adjacent multi-use path. It includes traffic calming improvements. There is currently a steep, informal dirt path connecting Hart Street (a gravel road) to the Larkspur-Corte Madera Path. Three conceptual alternatives have been developed. All include a paved connector path, sidewalk and apron across Hart Street, new crosswalk and curb ramps across Palm, and a stop sign at Palm and Pepper. The designs were presented to BPAC and at a community engagement event. Neighborhood members support the project but also prefer keeping the road gravel.
- Central Marin Regional Pathways Gap Closure: Corte Madera received \$1.5 million through ATP. Construction targeted for summer 2024.
- Paradise Drive funding: Corte Madera received \$2million through OBAG. Construction targeted summer 2025 but the project is still in design phase.
- Wornum & Redwood: Request for a no turn on red sign as cars turning right don't always look for the pedestrians in the crosswalk as they are looking to the left for cars. RJ said this would probably be a separate process from the ATP-funded Wornum project and would need to be studied.
- Larkspur updates
 - Doherty Drive: Project has been completed and the RRFBs have been installed. The project also includes buffered bike lanes and the path by Redwood High School.
 - Crosswalk enhancements: Another round of crosswalk improvements will include pedestrian lighting at some of the darker crosswalks. More pilot bulb-outs will be implemented as well throughout town. More improvements on Via Casitas and South Elisio will also be considered.
 - Library project: In the works. The vacant parcel across from Hall Middle School is planned for a library and community center and the plans are moving forward. Rose Lane will be widened to provide access to the site. A traffic circle at the driveway to the library is being considered. Staff parking will be created between Rose Lane and the crossing center. These roadway improvements will likely happen in the fall. Traffic and pedestrian control plans during construction will factor in Hall students.
 - Doherty Path: Could a gate/access point be made in the fence by Redwood High to facilitate access? The school did not want the fence to be broken up for security reasons. Julian will make the school aware of behavior around the fence.
- Set next meeting
 - Thursday, September 14 at 3:30 PM