

SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes from the meeting of February 8, 2005 @ 7:00p.m.

San Luis Obispo Council of Governments
Conference Room
1150 Osos Street, Suite 202
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

Members Present:

Greg Carroll, Chris Fyelling, Ed Goshorn, Harry Lyons, Josh Olejczak, Linda Perez, Jeff Stein, Marsha Lee.

Staff Present:

Ryan Chapman, Ryan Hostetter, Dave Flynn, Darren Brown

Public Comment:

Josh Olejczak – South Bay Boulevard at the entrance to Morro Bay there are cars drifting into the bike lanes. Could Public Works install traffic control devices. The signal at LOVR and Doris needs to have bike detector markings and review the signal timing on Doris Avenue.

Chris Fyelling – Avila Valley Drive at the Bob Jones Trail. There is a sight distance problem crossing the street at this location wants Public works to install markings for a crossing upstream 200-300 yards. Linda Perez seconds this comment.

I. Minutes of February 11, 2003:

Josh Olejczak motions to approve minutes and Linda Perez seconds. Minutes are approved.

II. Introduction of new members:

Ryan Chapman introduced Marsha Lee and Jeff Stein to the other BAC members.

III. Discussion of Bike Plan Update, Responses to Requests From The BAC:

1. Markings on Class I bikeways –

Chris Fyelling - Markings should be included on class I bikeways for inexperienced bikers.

Josh Olejczak – There is a need to maintain striping on class I. The initial design on class I bikeways should also include striping.

Dave Flynn – Striping policy on bikeways should be similar to the policy on vehicular roadways.

Action - Center lines shall be placed unless not deemed necessary by Public Works.

2. Class I Bikeways Materials Standard :

Due to past poor maintenance the BAC seeks to have development construct Class I bikeways and MUP from concrete or other low maintenance materials.

Dave Flynn suggests that the county standards are being rewritten soon and this would be the appropriate document to include a Class I Bikeway materials standard in.

Josh Olejczak – Motions that the County shall adopt a materials and design standard for class I bikeways designed by subdivisions.

Harry Lyons - seconds. The motion carries.

Action – Public Works will develop a Class I Bikeways standard for inclusion in the County Standards. This standard will be concrete unless otherwise stated by the Traffic Engineer.

3. List of Class I Bikeways and the Maintaining Group:

The primary concern of the BAC being that these segments are not being maintained and are placed in a manner that does not provide any connectivity to the rest of the system.

A discussion about funding construction and repairs for these yielded the following options.

- Condition of development to maintain the bikeways.
- Bond and build later.
- Assessment district

4. East West Ranch Cambia:

Ryan Chapman – this project is being pursued by the Cambria Community Services District.

5. Traffic Calming:

Action – Have bike plan reflect the need and process to utilize traffic calming. Make sure that proposals are brought to the BAC for recommendation.

6. Inspection of Class I and II Bikeways:

Public Works acknowledges that class II bikeways are travel lanes and will be inspected accordingly.

7. Sweeping of Bikeways:

There is a concern that the bikeways adjacent to agricultural operations are always dirty, caused by tractors turning around in the bikeways.

Action – Have Public works Staff develop an ordinance that controls the debris on bike lanes.

8. BAC Budget:

Dave Flynn – TDA funds 0.5% go to pedestrian and bike improvements. These funds have been used in the past as match funds for state and federal grant programs such as the BTA and OTS programs.

IV. Discussion of current economic situation and the impacts to bikeways:

Ryan Chapman presented copies of the current roads budget outlook and explained that the current economic troubles that California has been facing are defiantly impacting all road programs adversely.

Adjourn to the meeting of May 10, 2005