

**SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY
BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES - FEBRUARY 9, 2010, 6:00 P.M.**
San Luis Obispo County Government Center
1055 Monterey Street Room 361
San Luis Obispo CA 93408

1. Call to order

Robert Davis called the meeting to order.

2. Thank you

Robert thanked **Michelle Matson** for setting up for the meeting.

3. Roll call

Members: Carroll, Davis, Goshorn, Kolb, LeBrun (absent), Lewis, Norby, Olejczak, Sutliff, Van Orden
Staff: DiLeo (absent), Gillham, Hostetter (absent), Greer (absent), Mutziger (absent), Matson, Utter (Fukushima attended)

4. Recognize Visitors and Guests

5. Public Comment

No public comment.

6. Reading and Approval of Minutes and Correspondence

a. Minutes of November 10th, 2009

Josh Olejczak motioned to approve the minutes. **Barry Lewis** seconded the motion. Minutes approved unanimously.

b. Circulate Contact List for Updates

No contact list was circulated. **Matson** noted those in attendance.

7. Guest Presentations

Jessica Berry attended the meeting noting that the Draft Pismo Beach Bike Plan would go the Parks and Recreation Commission on March 4th. The draft document is available online at www.bikewalkpismo.org.

8. Reports

a. Rideshare

See staff report.

b. SLOCOG

Tim Gillham noted that there will be a trails and greenway conference in April. More information available at www.parks.ca.gov/trail/conference. The Templeton Atascadero Connector was submitted for ITIP funding by Caltrans but did not receive. SLOCOG will continue to pursue any available funding for the project. Morro Bay Cayucos Connector will be in Environmental Review for approximately a year and SLOCOG will continue to

fund when appropriate. TE funding is in the review process; SLO County submitted applications for bike lanes on Theater Drive and Vineyard Drive.

c. Caltrans

Adam Fukushima noted the Transportation Planning Grant Program including the Community Based Transportation Planning and Environmental Justice Grants. Applications are due April 1st. Caltrans is also in the beginning stages of updating the District 5 Bike Map.

9. Business

a. Colorized Bike Lane Pilot Project on South Ocean Avenue

Josh Olejczak motioned to support the pilot project pending approval of experimentation from the California Traffic Control Devices Committee. **Ed Goshorn** seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

b. Bike Plan

i. Bikeway Ranking Methodology

Robert Davis noted that the subcommittee had met several times to develop the criteria.

Ed Goshorn motioned to approve the bikeway ranking methodology. **William Van Orden** seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

ii. Additions/Deletions/Modifications to Bikeway Projects

Ed Goshorn motioned to approve the additions/deletions/modifications to bikeway projects with Pine Street as future Class II included. **Josh Olejczak** seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

Committee requested text in the Bike Plan to recognize Class I Bikeways that serve bicycle commuters.

iii. Bike Maps

BAC to submit bike map comments to Michelle Matson by February 19th. (NOTE: Staff received no comments on bike maps)

iv. Draft Plan and Schedule

See staff report.

10. Information, Announcements and Future Agenda Items

i. Maintenance Links: See staff report.

ii. Status of Bike Lane Projects: See staff report.

iii. Status of Trail Projects: Per email from Jan Dileo 02/09/2010...

1) **Morro Bay to Cayucos Connector.** (Contact Jan Di Leo) This would provide a bike/pedestrian corridor connecting basically the Cloisters in Morro Bay to Norma Rose Park and downtown Cayucos. This is funded by Scenic Byway funds (federal) as well as state and local funds. As a result of having federal funding the project will require NEPA and CEQA review. Right now we are doing CEQA review to determine whether the corridor should be on the east or west side of Highway 1 (NEPA does not allow you to review two alternatives). Once CEQA is complete and we have additional funding, we can complete the NEPA review and get required

coastal permits. SWCA has been hired to complete the project's EIR. I will let the BAC and you know when a draft EIR is available for public review – which I think is late spring or early summer 2010. Right now I only have funds for CEQA. So construction is not likely for two to three years (depending on when additional funding is forthcoming for NEPA and construction).

2) **Old Creek Crossings (Crossings under Highway 1).** (Contact Jan Di Leo) This project would potentially build two crossings under Highway 1 in Cayucos. One near Obispo Avenue, one near Chaney Avenue. Caltrans is working with County Parks on this one. County Parks is doing the upfront work (permits and environmental review), Caltrans is helping with designs and eventually (hopefully) construction. In the summer of 2009, County Parks hired Sara Kocher Consulting to put together a community survey to determine if people were actually interested in the crossings. From the surveys it appears there is community interest. The survey results were then taken to the Cayucos Citizens Advisory Council (CCAC). The CCAC recently indicated they are interested in the project – so Parks will be working with Caltrans to start the environmental review and permit process. This project is also funded with Scenic Byway Funds – and thus will require NEPA and CEQA environmental review. Since we doubt this will be an EIR – we should have enough money to get through the NEPA, CEQA, and permit process. Then we will need to work with Caltrans and get grants for construction.

3) **Bob Jones Bike Path (BJBP) – SLO to Ontario Road.** (Contact Jan Di Leo) As you all know, this project would connect the SLO Land Conservancy Octagon Barn with the County's Ontario Road Staging Area. This project has federal, state, and local grant funds. The NEPA studies are pretty much complete for this project. The hang-up has been we are slightly changing our project in order to work with the SLO Land Conservancy. The Land Conservancy has been working with Caltrans to lease parking contiguous to the Octagon Barn site. This would help the BJBP project by providing a staging area for the project. Parks has agreed to develop some of the parking onsite as well as a restroom if the Land Conservancy will maintain these facilities. Since these items were not in the original project description we are going back and doing some minor changes to our NEPA documents. In January 2010, an EIR contract was awarded to PMC for this project. Once the EIR is complete – County Parks can start negotiating with property owners for easements for this corridor. Once easements are obtained construction can start.

4) **Bob Jones Bike Path – San Miguel St to Avila Park.** (Contact Jan Di Leo) This project would extend the BJBP from San Miguel St to Avila Park and get rid of the poor crossing over Avila Beach Drive at San Miguel St. All permits have been obtained and construction drawings are 98% complete. We have been waiting for Rossi and his lenders to sign the various agreements that complete our land swap. The land swap is the County would give Rossi some road right-of-way (that he is already using) along Avila Beach Drive in exchange for an easement on the golf course for the extension of the BJBP. As you know, Rob contacted us and said he has the signatures on the agreements– however, I need him to finalize the survey information with his consultant and that does not appear to have happened yet. Once the agreements have been signed we can go to the Board for the approval of the agreements and go out to bid for construction.

5) **Cave Landing Trail.** (Contact Shaun Cooper) This project would provide a pedestrian and mountain bike connection from the Cave Landing Parking Lot to the Bluff's subdivision (located in Shell Beach). Originally this was to be a Class I bicycle path and pedestrian corridor. Due to the numerous landslides in this area, keeping a paved bike path in place for any length of time is problematic. This project is funded by Avila Mitigation Funds. Preliminary designs are complete. The project will start the permit and environmental review phase. At this point there are enough grant funds to design, permit, and construct the project.

6) **Avila to Harford Pier.** (Contact Shaun Cooper) This project would provide pedestrian and (hopefully) a bicycle connection from Avila Park to Harford Pier. The corridor (the width of Avila Beach Drive in this area) is pretty constrained. In late January 2010, RRM was hired by Parks to work on a design. If anyone from the BAC would like to be on the team for this one please let me or Shaun Cooper know. Other Team members include Port San Luis and State Parks. This project has money from PG&E to design and hopefully permit the project. Parks would need to apply for additional funds for construction.

b. Future agenda items

11. Adjourn - Next meeting – May 11th, 2010, 6:00PM