

San Luis Obispo County Bicycle Advisory Committee

Agenda - Tuesday, February 13th, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.

County Government Center, 1055 Monterey St. Room 161/162, San Luis Obispo, CA 93408

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1. **Call to order/ Thank you**
2. **Roll Call**
Heidi Wicka (District 1), Gregg Bone (District 1), Josh Olejczak (District 2), Aaron Linn (District 2), Dale Sutliff (Chairperson, District 3), Myron "Skip" Amerine (Vice Chairperson, District 3), Bill Kennedy (District 4), VACANT (District 4), Claudia Callwood (District 5), Ed Goshorn (District 5)
3. **Introductions**
4. **Approval of November 14th, 2017 Meeting Minutes**
5. **Public Comment** (Limit to 4 minutes; any Q&A from BAC)
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6. **Committee/Staff Reports** (5 min. max., agendize longer items)
 - I. CHP
 - II. BAC Chairperson
 - III. County Public Works
-Update to Bike Plan Ranking(delayed)
 - IV. Air Pollution Control District
 - V. County Parks
 - VI. SLOCOG
 - VII. County Planning and Building
 - VIII. Caltrans
7. **Presentations**
 - A. Megan Syfan- Class I Bike trail Los Osos, L.O.V.R.
 - B. Dave Abrecht – Need for repainting L.O.V.R. Bike Lanes (Video)
8. **BAC Business & Discussion**
 - A. Prototype Trails Rules – County Parks/BAC
 - B. Update to Bike Plan Ranking (delayed) – Public Works/BAC
 - C. Planning Department Referrals – Dale/BAC
9. **Project Updates (see staff report)**
10. **Future Agenda Items**

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A. Updated Bike Ranking System

B. HWY 101/Avila Roundabout Project Update/Presentation

11. **Adjourn - Next meeting – May 8th, 2018**

STAFF REPORT
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8. BAC Business & Discussion

A. Prototype Trail Rules

Discussion: The Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC) proposed a joint meeting with the Trails Advisory Committee (TAC). The chair has determined that it would be better if the TAC and BAC identify and implement rules together.

Staff Recommendation: Create a joint subcommittee between the BAC and TAC to review, discuss, and adopt trail rules to be applied to future projects.

B. Update to Bike Plan Ranking

Discussion: The County Bikeway Plan adopted a 500-point ranking system for both proposed Class I and Class II bikeways. The County Bikeways Advisory Committee periodically reviews the ranking and updates if desired. Members have expressed a desire to review the current rankings. Public Works staff has reviewed the existing ranking methodology and determined that it could benefit from additional points for safety. From the previous meeting it has been agreed upon to move forward with the updated ranking system.

Staff Recommendation: Adopt the proposed ranking methodology and direct staff to update the rankings and provide for adoption.

| Criteria | Definition | Criteria | Points | | | |
|---|--|----------|---------|---------------------|---------------------|------------|
| | | | Class I | Class II (existing) | Class II (proposed) | difference |
| BIKEWAY NEED | | | | | | |
| Significant Regional Corridor (SRC) | Connects incorporated and/or unincorporated communities | Yes | 100 | 60 | 30 | -30 |
| Closes Gap | Closes gap in Class I network | Yes | 50 | - | - | - |
| | Closes gap in Class I network w/no parallel existing Class II | Yes | 100 | 50 | 40 | -10 |
| | Closes gap in existing Class VII network | Yes | - | 30 | 30 | 0 |
| School Route | Regional route for college/university | Yes | 50 | - | - | - |
| | Close proximity to community school (SRTS) | Yes | 100 | 30 | 30 | 0 |
| Commute Route | Neighborhood street connecting to commuter route | Yes | 25 | 10 | 10 | 0 |
| | Commuter route in urban area | Yes | 50 | 20 | 20 | 0 |
| | Optional regional route with barriers (distance, terrain) | Yes | 75 | 30 | 30 | 0 |
| | SRC with relatively flat terrain and work destinations | Yes | 100 | 40 | 40 | 0 |
| Recreation Route | Route with non-work destination/s (increments of 25 based on terrain) | Yes | 0-100 | 30 | 20 | -10 |
| Bike Volume | Highest 2-directional bike volume from 2-hour AM peak, PM peak, or Summer 3-hour mid-day count | 1-5 | - | 10 | 10 | 0 |
| | | 6-10 | - | 20 | 20 | 0 |
| | | 11-15 | - | 30 | 30 | 0 |
| | | 16-20 | - | 40 | 40 | 0 |
| BIKEWAY SAFETY | | | | | | |
| Existing Shoulder | | < 2' | - | 50 | 50 | 0 |
| | | 2-4' | - | 40 | 40 | 0 |
| Average Daily Vehicle Traffic (in thousands) | | 5 -10 | - | 25 | 25 | 0 |
| | | >10 | - | 50 | 50 | 0 |
| Posted Speed Limit (miles per hour) | | 35-50 | - | 25 | 25 | 0 |
| | | >50 | - | 50 | 50 | 0 |
| Bike Collisions | One (1) bicycle collision in last 10 years | | | 25 (5 yrs) | 25 | 0 |
| | Two (2) to three (3) bicycle collision in last 10 years | | | 50 (5 yrs) | 50 | 25 |
| | Four (4) or more bicycle collision in last 10 years | | | | 75 | |
| Bike Fatality | Bicycle fatality has occurred (recommend changing all to past 10 yrs) | | | N/A | 25 | 25 |
| Collision Rate | Collision Rate > County Average | | | 25 | 25 | 0 |
| | Collision rate > one standard | | | 50 | 50 | 0 |

C. Planning Department Referrals

Discussion: Any referrals that may come in through the planning department may be discussed.

Project Name and Number:

1. DRC2017-00075 KYLE
2. DRC2014—00111 KING

Staff Recommendation: No Action

9. Project Updates

- o Price Canyon Road: Project is completed. Ribbon Cutting is expected to be scheduled. (date tentative) Will discuss at BAC meeting for further consideration of a future date.

- Main/US 101 Interchange: Project Initiation Document (PID) anticipated to be completed by June 2018.
- Bob Jones Trail: Caltrans issued a Categorical Exclusion for NEPA on 1/23/18. County Public Works and Parks and Recreation negotiating the contract scope with the top consulting firm to prepare construction documents and right of way exhibits. A Cycle 4 ATP grant application will be submitted for ROW acquisition and construction funding.
- Left turn lanes Octagon Barn, Higuera Project: Project to add left turn lane and parking of octagonal barn is complete.
- Morro Bay to Cayucos Connector: Currently in the process of NEPA and Construction documents to be finished by Cannon Associates firm.
- Templeton to Atascadero Connector: In process of finishing the NEPA documents. Right of way buy-in being planned. The construction documents will be completed by mid to late 2018. ATP grant funding for construction has been awarded.
- Main Street, Templeton Overlay: Overlay expected to be initiated early Fall of 2018 which incorporates proposed class II bike lanes.

10. Future Agenda Items

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B. HWY 101/Avila Roundabout Project Update/Presentation

Proposed Doris-Palisades Class 1 Bike/Pedestrian Path



Project Outline

Provide a safe connection between Monarch Grove Elementary School at Doris Avenue to Palisades Avenue via a Class 1 bike/pedestrian path. The project is proposed along the North side of Los Osos Valley Road and resides primarily within current right-of-ways.

This project would:

1. Provide a "Safe Route to School" from the downtown core to the elementary school. This route crosses only one intersection at Pine Street.
2. Provide safe pedestrian access to the downtown core along the North side of Los Osos Valley Road. This route is frequently used by mothers with children, the elderly, and the handicapped who currently share the shoulders with traffic, parked cars, trash cans, and mail delivery.
3. Provide for two left turn pockets at Broderson and Ravenna where left turning traffic currently causes backups which in turn causes cars to drive in to the shoulder threatening pedestrians and bikes.

Proposed & Presented by: Meg Syfan, 805.459.7883, msyfan@gmail.com

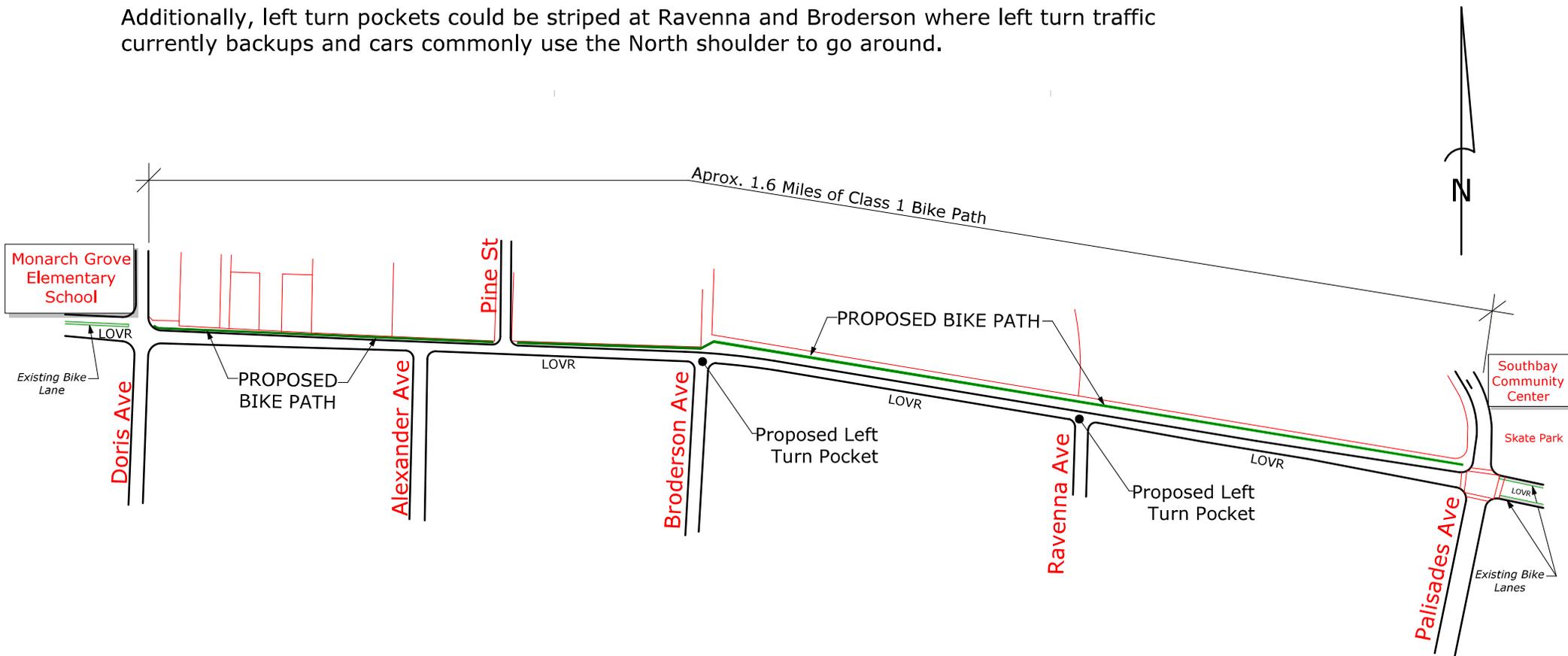
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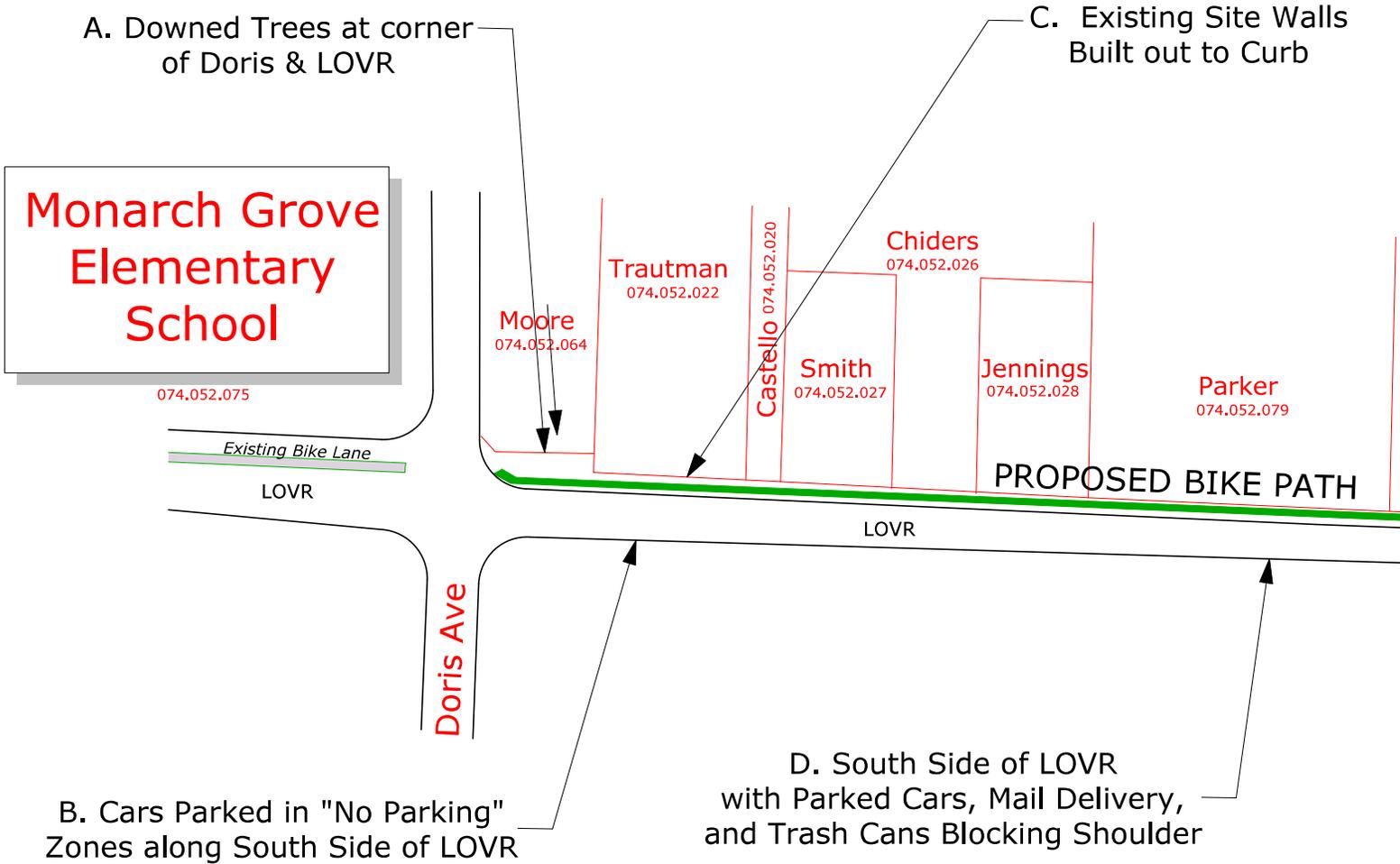
Doris-Palisades Class 1 Bike/Pedestrian Path

Project Description:

Connect Monarch Grove Elementary School at Doris Ave. to Palisades Dr. with a Class 1 Bike Path along the North side of Los Osos Valley Road (LOVR). This will provide a link to the existing bike lanes west of the school and east of Palisades. This will provide a "Safe Route to School" from the downtown area.

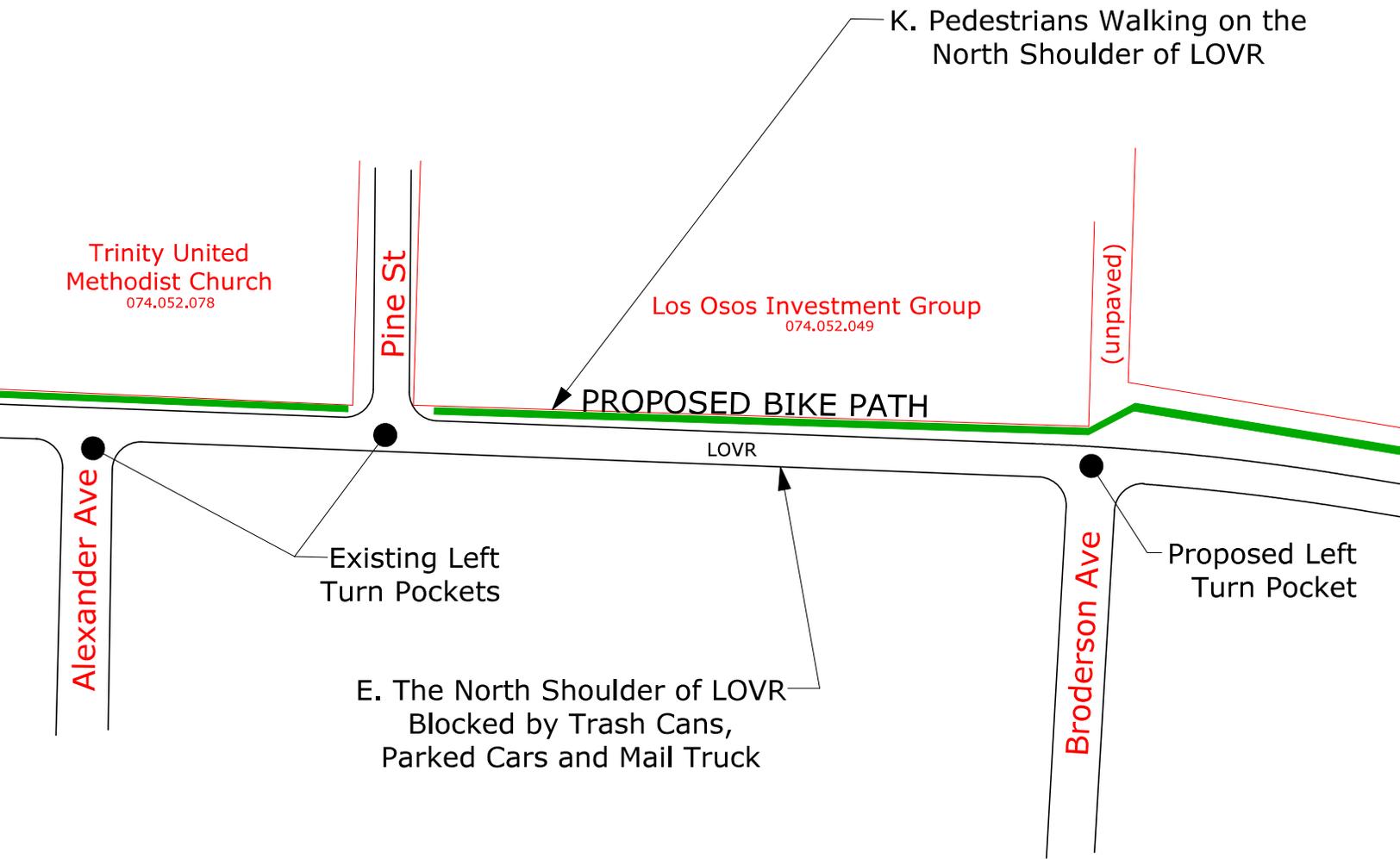
Additionally, left turn pockets could be striped at Ravenna and Broderson where left turn traffic currently backups and cars commonly use the North shoulder to go around.





Doris-Palasesades Class 1 Bike/Pedestrian Path Detail Map - 1/4



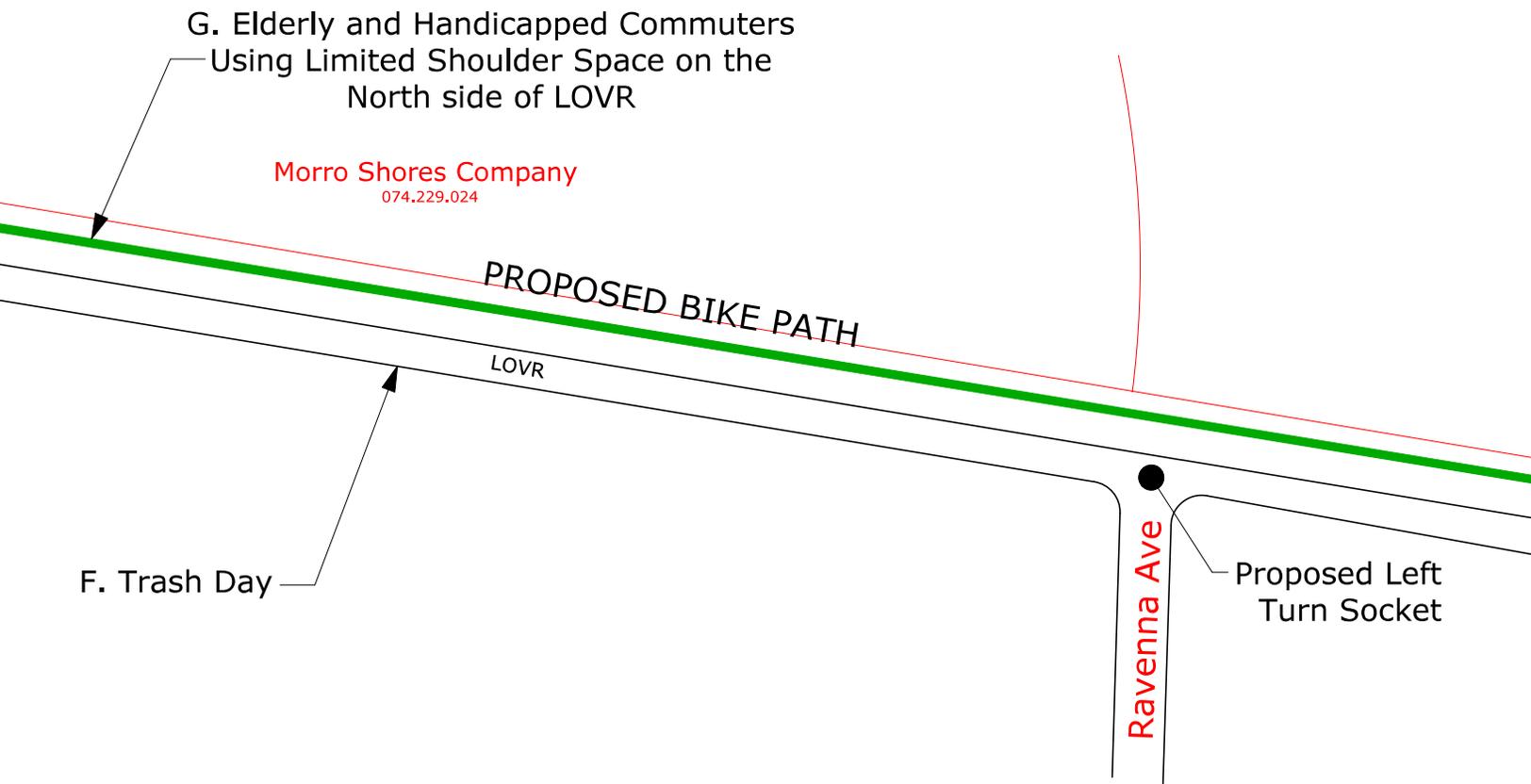


Doris-Palاسades Class 1 Bike/Pedestrian Path Detail Map - 2/4



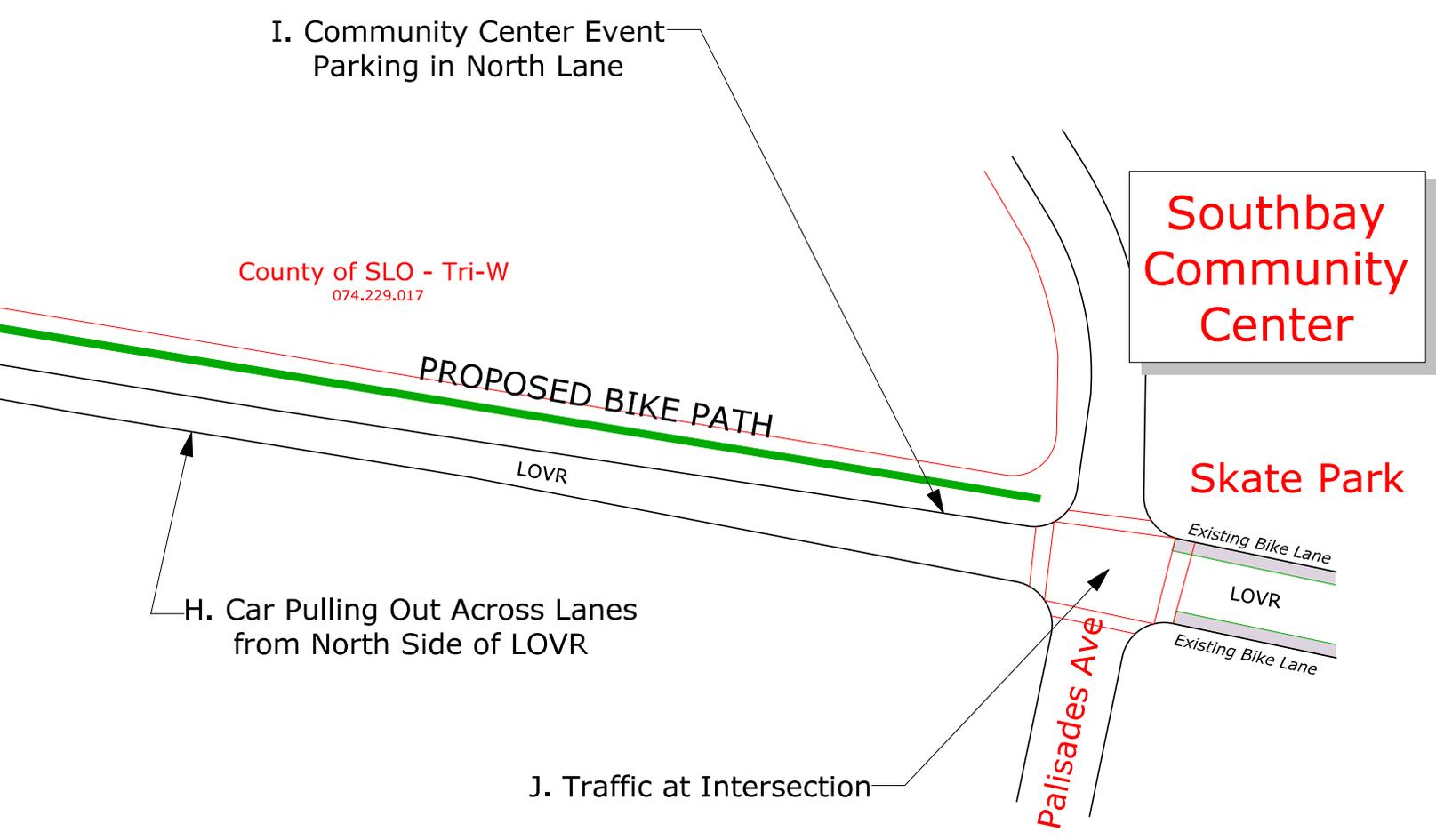


Doris-Palasesdes Class 1 Bike/Pedestrian Path Detail Map - 3/4





Doris-Palasesdes Class 1 Bike/Pedestrian Path Detail Map - 4/4



- A.** Downed Trees at the NW corner of LOVR & Doris Avenue adjacent to Monarch Grove Elementary School.



- B.** Cars parked along LOVR in No Parking Zones blocking both bike and pedestrian traffic.



- C.** Site walls built out to curb along LOVR. Downed tree shown at left.



- D.** South side of LOVR with parked cars, trash cans, and mail delivery blocking the existing shoulder.



- E.** Mail truck and trash cans in the shoulder on the South side of LOVR.



- F.** Trash cans along the South shoulder of LOVR between Broderson and Revenna.



- G.** Handicapped using the North shoulder of LOVR to connect to the downtown core.



- H.** Cars pulling out through the shoulder on the South side of LOVR.



- I.** Cars parked along the North shoulder of LOVR during frequent events at the South Bay Community Center on Palisades Avenue.



- J.** Traffic at the intersection of LOVR and Palisades.





COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO
Bicycle Advisory Committee

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January 26, 2018

Honorable Board of Supervisors

Subject: Annual Report of Committee Activities

The Bicycle Advisory Committee has been engaged with staff, other agencies, and the public in administering the County Bikeways Plan of 2015/16 that your Board adopted on August 9, 2016. It contains the following six goals:

- Accommodate Increased Bicycle Usage
- Provide a Safer Bicycling Environment
- Complete the Top Twenty Projects in the Bike Plan
- Collaborate with City and Regional Agencies to Coordinate the Planning and Design of County Bikeways
- Recommend a Strong Presence of Multi-modal Coordination
- Plan for Bike Facilities as Part of All Projects

The BAC looks forward to the Board's support for the aims of the Bikeways Plan as we work to realize a complete county bicycle network, with fully connected routes between communities for commuters and recreational cyclists. The priorities identified in the Bikeways Plan will significantly help to accomplish the goals.

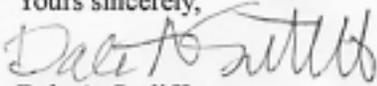
Listed below are activities the BAC and County have accomplished over the past year.

1. The County completed the Price Canyon Road improvements, which includes Class II bike lanes from Hwy. 227 to Ormonde Road. This project is a huge asset for motorists and cyclists alike along this key connecting corridor.
2. The on-going County Paving Plan (5 year Surface Treatment Plan) actions have been organized and constructed with BAC input. These projects have endeavored to include bike lanes whenever possible and feasible where routes are identified in the Bikeways Plan. These projects significantly helps build towards accomplishing the Bikeways Plan goals.
3. The BAC has reviewed and commented on a number of projects throughout the County via referrals and requests from Planning, Public Works, Caltrans, SLOCOG, State Parks, and others, including private development projects that could have significant consequences for bicycle infrastructure and safety related to the Bikeways Plan goals and priorities.
4. The BAC provided verbal comments at hearings and written comments on projects and proposals separate from project referrals where bicycling interests were affected. Examples of comments provided were:

- The Avila Ranch Housing Project EIR, in San Luis Obispo, as it would affect impacts on Buckley Road, a highly ranked bikeway connector.
- Comments were given to Caltrans in support of the agency's study plan for Hwy. 58 from Santa Margarita to Hwy. 229.
- Support for the Bob Jones, City to Sea Trail connector from Avila Beach to San Luis Obispo.
- Unmet needs suggestions to SLOCOG in support of Active Transportation Program applications for Orchard Avenue in Nipomo and the Bob Jones Pathway, in addition to the Atascadero -Templeton Class I multi-use connector pathway, Theater Drive Class II bike lanes, Halcyon Road, Valley Road, Los Berros Road and Corbett Canyon Road improvements to include bike lanes in the south County.
- Recommendations to State Parks for the proposed campground and bicycle camp on Hwy. 1 north of the Elephant Seals site, in which the BAC was successful in having State Parks change the bike camp design and increase the number of sites.

Looking ahead in 2018, the BAC will continue its review and comment process, and we look forward to getting projects completed, such as the Main Street, Templeton repaving with Class II bike lanes and other projects on the BAC priority list to improve conditions for both commuter and recreational bicyclists and other users of county transportation corridors.

Yours sincerely,



Dale A. Sutliff
Bicycle Advisory Committee Chair

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Guest:

John Dinunzio (SLOCOG), Patrick Seebart (CHP), Megan Syfan (public), Lea Brooks (SLO city BAC Chair), Andy Mutziger (SLOAPCD)

3. **Introductions**

4. **Meeting Minutes Approved**

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Las Flores Class II Bike Lanes

Resident from Las Flores would like to keep parking at location or do some type of compromise. Concern is with regards to have parking and not place Class II bike lanes. Discussion has been continuous, yet the issue is that the road width is too narrow for a bike lane and parking.

Meg Syfan- Resident from Los Osos

Would like a class I bike trail/lane on the north side of LOVR (Los Osos Valley Road). Cars parked on the south side on LOVR and is very uncomfortable with regards to it. Megan Syfan to do presentation for Class I bike trail on LOVR. Megan Syfan to come back with presentation and should include dimensions and aerial map with proposal of Class I. Motioned by Josh and seconded by Skip. All in favor

6. **Committee/Staff Reports** (5 min. max., agendize longer items)

I. CHP- Bicycle traffic collision stats from 2016 and 2017. A lot of bicyclists are bringing in go pro and footage of people cutting them off. If bicyclist shows footage of getting hit, the CHP can move forward and investigate. CHP stated they can send out warning letters to public who commit crimes and infractions. Vineyard drive is a location which CHP gets numerous calls from. 2016 total of 5 bicycle crashes in north county. One of those bicyclists was at fault, no fatalities. 2017 a total of 8 crashes, three of them bicyclist at fault. One of them were on a state highway. Insisted that bicyclists should stay as far right as they can for safety reasons.

II. County Public Works

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- Bike Count updates
- Pavement Management updates
- Signing and Striping updates
- Cayucos Drive/Route 1 Ramp Improvements

III. BAC Chairperson-

- IV. Air Pollution Control District – Collected bike count in 2016 and 2017. Intention is to determine trends during bike month. Air Pollution Control District will continue to do future counts to see trends over time.
- V. County Parks – Bob Jones pathway, update for NEPA almost completed. Working with GIS to have map revised to have NEPA completed in next month or so. Pathway construction documents- working with Caltrans and should be able to start contract negotiation around January to go to the board for consultant contract. ATP was submitted for supplemental, did not get funding for right of way and portion of construction. Will resubmit ATP application for spring 2018. Staging area for octagon barn is under construction. Done by late December early January 2018. Land conservancy to do landscaping after sight grading. Morro bay to Cayucos connector working on NEPA process. Also working on construction documents. Will work on Right of Way certification once NEPA completed to continue into environmental process. Templeton to Atascadero over 3 million from ATP and two million from SLOCOG match. Enviro completed by spring 2018 for NEPA and CEQA. Construction documents end of next year. Right of Way certification to be complete circa summer 2018. Construction estimated to be completed by 2020.
- VI. SLOCOG – Two bike Counters placed on Highway 1 for Morro Bay to Cayucos Trail connector. The idea was to coincide with the national bike count inventory. Three months of data was collected. Data was also collected to Bob Jones trail also. Will work with the County to collect data in regard to bike counts. San Lucito Creek at Highway 1 was suggested by Skip as a location of interest for collecting data. Locations to be for future consideration for bike counts will be South Bay Blvd, Los Osos Valley Road, and Ontario Road. Corridor 227 roundabouts have bike element within project scope, Avila at Highway 101, Prado at Highway 41, Highway 1 at Highway 101 are all projects in the pipeline that will have future counts for Bikes (ATP submittal to require bike count data prior to submission). ATP Cycle 4 there is an addition of \$100,000 of added capacity from Senate Bill 1. May 30th, 2018 is the deadline for Cycle 4 applications to be submitted (ATP related submittals.) There was an augmentation round in cycle 3 which allowed Atascadero to Templeton Connector project to receive full funding for construction. Safe Routes to School for Ocean Elementary school received funds for cycle 3 augmentation round as well.

- VII. County Planning and Building- no updates just here to answer questions on referrals.
 VIII. Caltrans- absent

6a. **Presentations**

7. **BAC Business & Discussion**

- B. Updated Bike Plan Ranking – Public Works/BAC
 Discussion was made to go forward with the proposed bike ranking system. Public Works to bring updates to ranking in February 2018 meeting. Motioned by Skip and Seconded by Aaron. All in favor.
- C. Planning Department Referrals – Dale
- D. Election of BAC Chair and Vice Chair
 OPEN FOR NOMINATIONS- Motion by Ed for Dale as chair and Skip seconded. Aaron

motioned Skip to be vice chair and josh seconded. All in favor

8. **Project Updates (see staff report)**

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A. Prototype Trails Rules- see tape for next February meeting 2 hours and 17 minutes.

Explore the consideration of what can be done to coincide a special meeting.

B. HWY 101/Avila Roundabout Project Presentation- see tape

C. Class 1 LOVR- bike path to be on next BAC meeting.

10. **Adjourn - Next meeting – February 13th, 2018**