

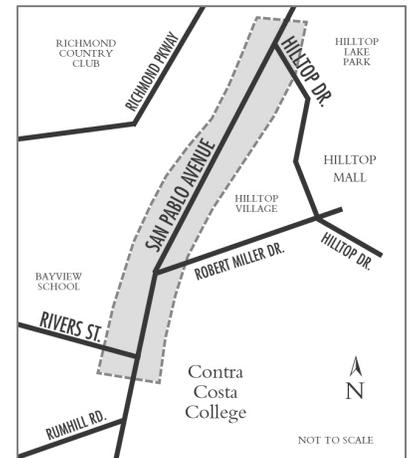
San Pablo Avenue Complete Streets Study

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Background

San Pablo Avenue, between Rivers Street and Hilltop Drive, functions as a high-speed arterial. It also serves as the main connection for local trips between northern San Pablo residential neighborhoods, central San Pablo, Hilltop Mall, Contra Costa College and other important destinations. The corridor lacks designated facilities for pedestrians and bicyclists, creating a very challenging environment for walking, bicycling and transit use. Despite these conditions, people walk and bike the corridor everyday. Future changes to surrounding land uses will likely generate even more need for walkable, safe and accessible neighborhoods along the corridor.

Study Purpose

The *San Pablo Avenue Complete Streets Study* will focus on improving multimodal access, safety and connections along the San Pablo corridor by identifying needs and prioritizing improvements that will facilitate pedestrian, bicycle and transit trips. At the heart of this process is a public outreach effort that will bring together surrounding residents, business owners, partner agencies, and other key stakeholders to ensure that the final plan recommendations are both relevant to, and supported by, the local community. The study is funded by a Caltrans Environmental Justice Transportation Planning Grant.

Community Involvement

Proposed design strategies and improvements will be community-driven. During the initial phase of the project, residents and stakeholders will be invited to walk the corridor with the project team and participate in a community workshop to identify needs and challenges, and develop potential solutions. The project team will translate the input into conceptual alternatives easily understood by the public and present them to the community in a second workshop for consideration and discussion. At the third and final community workshop participants will respond to refined alternatives and specific design details helping lead to a final preferred plan for the corridor. The team is equipped to conduct workshops in both Spanish and English as needed.

Study Activities & Schedule

- TAC & Project Team Site Assessment (September 6, 2012)
- Community Walk and Design Workshop (September 27, 2012)
- Review of Preliminary Alternatives (November, 2012)
- Presentation of Preferred Alternative (January, 2012)

Relationship to Other Efforts

This study will build on multiple plans adopted by the Cities of San Pablo and Richmond which share a common objective of improving multimodal access and connections along the San Pablo corridor.

- San Pablo Avenue Specific Plan
- City of Richmond Bicycle & Pedestrian Plans
- WCCTAC Action Plan Update
- San Pablo & Richmond General Plans

Study Partners

- City of San Pablo (CSP)
- City of Richmond (COR)
- Contra Costa Health Services (CCHS)
- Fehr & Peers with:
 - Local Government Commission (LGC)
 - Callander Associates
 - BKF Engineers

For more information

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