


Countywide Bicycle
Pedestrian Advisory
Committee (BPAC)
Project Review
Guidelines

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Presentation to Alameda County Technical
Advisory Committee (ACTAC)



Overview

- Background
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- Goals, Relevant Projects, Roles & Responsibilities
 - *Capital Projects*
 - *Programs*
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Background

- Countywide BPAC has provided detailed input and recommendations on Measure B bicycle and pedestrian safety countywide discretionary grant funds since 2002
- Staff proposes new role reviewing and providing input to Alameda CTC and partner project sponsors during early project development phases
 - *Capital Projects*
 - *Programs*
 - *Plans*



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Rationale for New Countywide BPAC Role

- Early input in project development supports Complete Streets requirements in Transportation Expenditure Plan implementing guidelines
- Coordinated funding – input on single funding source no longer workable model
- Enhanced internal project selection capabilities post-merger



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Capital Projects – Goals of Review

- Provide user perspective on safety, comfort, and convenience of proposed design
- Assist project sponsor in developing context sensitive solutions
- Incorporate input at most-effective time
- Supplement local BPAC input, as appropriate



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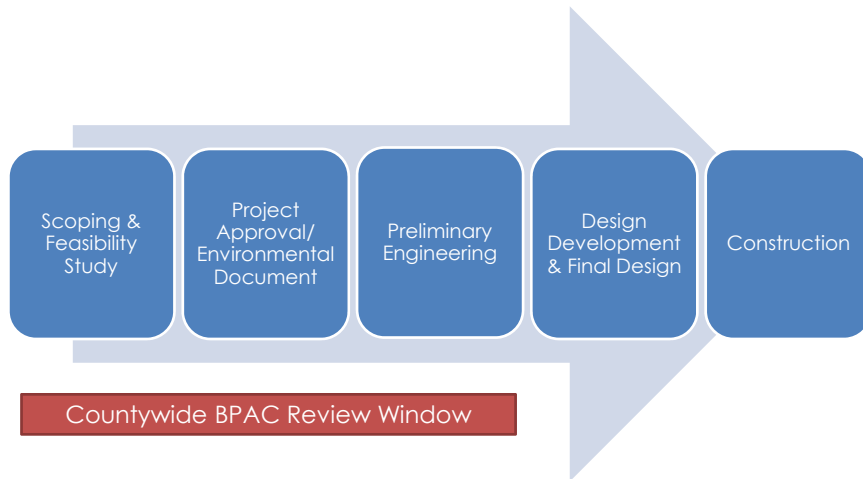
Capital Projects – Relevant Projects

- Staff to determine which projects using following criteria:
 - *Project development progress – up to and including Preliminary Engineering*
 - *Fund sources*
 - TEP projects
 - Measure B and VRF discretionary funded projects
 - Other projects as requested by sponsors
 - *Bicycle/pedestrian nexus*



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Capital Projects – Relevant Project Development Phases



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Capital Projects - Roles and Responsibilities

Project Sponsors	Countywide BPAC	Alameda CTC Staff
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Present information to BPAC such as map, existing conditions, schematic drawings• Consider and respond to BPAC comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Provide input on proposed design or design alternatives• Focus on quality of design rather than need for project	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Determine which projects will benefit most from BPAC review• Work with project sponsors to facilitate scheduling of presentations to BPAC



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Programs – Goals and Relevant Programs

- Goals:
 - *Input on effectiveness of proposed curricula/information*
 - *Input on outreach/marketing/education plans*
- Relevant programs
 - *Staff to determine which programs most appropriate at conclusion of funding cycles*
 - *Programs that improve safety of biking/walking through education/enforcement, encourage biking/walking, or support biking/walking infrastructure*
 - *Exclusive bicycle/pedestrian focus (no generic TDM programs)*



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Programs - Roles and Responsibilities

Project Sponsors

- Present information to BPAC on proposed program goals, curricula or messages, and communication /outreach strategy

Countywide BPAC

- Provide input consistent with goals or review

Alameda CTC Staff

- Determine which programs will benefit most from BPAC review
- Work with project sponsors to facilitate scheduling of presentations to BPAC



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Local Master Plans – Goals and Relevant Plans

- Goals:
 - *Ensure local plans consistent across jurisdictions and with countywide bike/ped plans*
 - *Provide intermodal, interjurisdictional input*
 - *Provide user perspective on proposed design guidelines, as applicable*
- Relevant plans
 - *All bicycle and pedestrian master plans and strategies developed by local jurisdictions, transit operators, and other large institutions receiving discretionary funds*



Local Master Plans - Roles and Responsibilities

Project Sponsors	Countywide BPAC	Alameda CTC Staff
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Present overview of draft document to BPAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Provide input consistent with goals or review	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Identify master plans• Work with project sponsors to facilitate scheduling of presentations to BPAC



Next Steps

- January – BPAC and ACTAC consider Draft Project Review Guidelines concurrently
- April – seek BPAC approval of Project Review Guidelines
- October – potential first project sponsor presentation



