

ERIC GARCETTI MAYOR

January 25, 2019

Ms. Susan Bransen
Executive Director
Attention: Laurie Watters
California Transportation Commission
1120 N Street, MS 52
Sacramento, CA 95814

Subject: Active Transportation Program Cycle 4 Funding Recommendations

Dear Ms. Bransen:

On behalf of City of Los Angeles, I thank the California Transportation Commission (CTC) and its staff for the recommendations to fund the following City of Los Angeles projects through the 2019 Statewide Active Transportation Program (ATP):

- Liechty Middle and Neighborhood Elementary Schools Safety Improvement Project
- 112th Street and Flournoy Elementary Schools Safety Improvements Project
- Alexandria Avenue Elementary School Neighborhood Safety Improvements Project
- Safe Routes for Seniors

These ATP funds will be used to build capital improvements for eleven of the City's top 50 schools in need of safety improvements and help create neighborhood plans to address the need for active transportation connections to transit facilities and parks for seniors.

I fully support staff's recommendations and look forward to delivering these needed projects to the citizens of the City of Los Angeles.

Sincerely,

ERIC GARCETTI

Mayor





Office of the City Manager

LINDA C. LOWRY City Manager

January 28, 2019

Ms. Susan Bransen **Executive Director** California Department of Transportation 1120 N Street MS 52 Sacramento, CA 95814 ATTN: Laurie Waters





SUBJECT: Support for Project Recommendations List – Active Transportation Program Cycle 4 "Pomona Multi-Neighborhood Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements Project"

Dear Ms. Bransen,

We are excited and very thankful to learn the Pomona Multi-Neighborhood Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements Project (Project) scored very well in the application review process and is recommended for Active Transportation Program (ATP) Cycle 4 funding. If approved for funding, Caltrans will enable the City to complete an additional 8 priority projects identified in the City's Active Transportation Plan, bringing its priority active transportation network to more than 50% complete!

The Project will implement bike lanes on 10.2 miles of City streets, install traffic calming measures on 1.8 miles of streets to reduce speeding and enhance safety, and improve 14 intersections and mid-block crossings near key community destinations, such as schools and parks that have a history of pedestrian and/or bicycle collisions. We feel this suite of improvements is critically important because they will do more than get someone safely from point A to point B. They will create a more robust active transportation network by closing gaps, creating greater route choices throughout the City and to/from the future Metro Foothill Gold Line Station. They will also provide stronger connections across two of the City's major barriers: Interstate 10 and State Route 71.

The City of Pomona is a disadvantaged community located at the eastern edge of Los Angeles County, and as such, the Project will encourage a modal shift for trips within the City and will lessen the financial burden of transportation for Pomona residents.

On behalf of the City of Pomona, we urge you to approve Staff's recommendation to fund these strategically vital projects in the City, and we thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Ms. Susan Bransen Executive Director California Transportation Commission 1120 N Street MS 52 Sacramento, CA 95814

Subject: LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION APPROVAL OF THE ORANGE AVENUE BACKBONE BIKEWAY AND COMPLETE STREETS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Dear Ms. Bransen,

The City of Long Beach fully supports the Active Transportation Program (ATP) from the State of California with the goals of; increased biking & walking trips, increased safety & mobility options, reduction of greenhouse gases, enhancement to public health and providing mobility benefits to disadvantaged communities. These program goals are in line with the goal of Long Beach to become the most bike friendly city in America.

We would like to formally thank the California Transportation Commission (CTC) for their recommendation / approval for funding of \$13.3 million for the Orange Avenue backbone bikeway and complete streets improvement project. In addition, we would also like to thank all California Transportation Commission (CTC) members along with Caltrans ATP staff for their time, effort and recommendations for approvals of this important active transportation project and many others across the state of California.

The design and construction of the Orange Avenue backbone bikeway project will add a vital north / south link and will build multiple protected intersections providing an additional safety benefit. The project once constructed will provide a crucial north / south class IV protected bikeway connecting the CBD, the City of Signal Hill, California Heights/ Bixby Knolls areas and North Long Beach.

The cities 2017 adopted Bicycle master plan has a goal of 30% trips over the next 30 years. This project will provide yet another important connection as the city of Long Beach continues to look to expand their bikeway network as a leader in bikeway planning, design and implementation in southern California. This project will build on our goal of becoming one of the most bike friendly cities in America.

Should you have any questions, please contact Steve Tweed at (562) 570-6266.

Sincerely,

Eric Widstrand, PE, TE, PTOE
City Traffic Engineer, Transportation & Mobility Bureau Manager
Public Works Department
City of Long Beach

CC Caltrans, Laurie Waters Metro, Shelly Quan

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FREDDIE RODRIGUEZ

ASSEMBLYMEMBER, FIFTY-SECOND DISTRICT

January 25, 2019

Ms. Fran Inman Commission Chair California Transportation Commission

1120 North Street, MS-52 Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: City of Pomona's Multi-Neighborhood Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements Project

Dear Commission Chair Inman:

I was excited to find out that the City of Pomona's Multi-Neighborhood Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements Project was ranked 93 out of 100 on the list of 2019 Active Transportation Program - Statewide Component projects. As a decision will be made on January 30th-31st during the CTC meeting for all the recommended projects, I am writing to fully support this project and respectfully request CTC's approval because it will undoubtedly create safer and better-connected biking and walking routes in key areas of the City of Pomona.

This project will offer a safe route for bicycle and pedestrian travel connecting residences, workplaces, commercial centers, parks and recreation areas, and provide better access to multiple schools in the vicinity. Overall, the project provides a number of benefits to the community by closing bike network gaps, creating bike facilities in areas that did not previously have this infrastructure, and increases transportation options for residents to choose from. In the long run it will also decrease vehicle-miles of travel and greenhouse gas emissions associated with driving, and thus will lead to an improvement in the public health of a city that currently struggles with a number of different health related problems.

As a lifelong resident of Pomona, I believe that your approval of this project will have a significant impact on Pomona's most disadvantaged communities and contribute to the City's much needed sustainability goals. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact my office at (909) 902-9606.

Sincerely,

FREDDIE RODRIGUEZ

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Mr. Rene Guerrero, City Engineer, Public Works Department, City of Pomona

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Ms. Laurie Waters
ATP Program Manager
California Transportation Commission
1120 N Street
Sacramento CA 95814

Dear Ms. Waters,

Please accept this correspondence as confirmation of support for the City of Chico's proposed SR 99 Bikeway Project included in the California Transportation Commission Staff's Recommendations. Butte-Glenn Community College District is a strong supporter for projects, which aim to encourage alternative transportation.

The SR 99 Bikeway Project proposed by the City of Chico has been a long-term effort. Butte-Glenn Community College District serve an approximate total of 16,683 students and employees. This project would directly benefit our students and employees by providing direct access to the campus. Currently, this area does not have safe travel options and therefore, most of the students and employees drive their vehicles to our Chico Center.

We would like to change that and see this project as a key anchor to removing the barriers and encouraging the entire community to consider biking or walking. In addition, the City of Chico is slated to begin construction on a class 1 bike/pedestrian path this summer. The proposed project would represent a gap closure enabling the community to better use the City's bicycle network.

Thank you.

Kimberly Jones

Director of Facilities Planning and Management



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Redwood Community Action Agency_

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January 29, 2019

Laurie Waters Associate Deputy Director California Transportation Commission

Re: Support for the Active Transportation Program

Dear California Transportation Commission,

Redwood Community Action Agency (RCAA) is writing in support of California's Active Transportation Program (ATP). Our agency's mission is to enable low-income and/or disadvantaged persons to gain the necessary skills to become self sufficient by creating healthy communities for all. Unlike larger metropolitan areas, Humboldt County does not have the tax base or financial resources to make the necessary improvements to create safer streets so we can encourage more walking and bicycling. The ATP's focus on equity has greatly helped our disadvantaged community receive funding for engineering and education that we desperately need.

The benefits of the Active Transportation Program in our region have been numerous. Our agency has worked with jurisdictions countywide to write ATP applications and implement successful ATP projects since the program began in 2013. Through data collection, analyzing conditions, public input, and ATP funding, we've improved non-motorized transportation facilities in a region with one of the highest pedestrian and bicyclist involved collision rates in the state. Humboldt County was recently recommended to receive funding through Cycle 4 that will complete the Humboldt Bay Trail. This transformational project is just one example of how the ATP will improve the built environment by providing a safe, separated corridor connecting Arcata and Eureka, the two largest cities in the County. Without funding from the ATP, it is likely that our region would be without this safe nonmotorized commuting option for many years to come.

Neighborhoods around schools have been transformed, hundreds of students have received pedestrian and bicycle safety education, and the risk of injuries and fatalities that pedestrians and cyclists face each day has been drastically reduced. RCAA is grateful for this program that prioritizes all users of the roadway and ensures smaller, disadvantaged, rural communities are heard and receive their fair share of funding. Our goal as an agency, like that of the ATP, is to ensure all residents have safe and equitable access to destinations regardless of whether or not they own a vehicle.

Sincerely,

Jenny Weiss, Projects Coordinator

Redwood Community Action Agency, Natural Resources Services Division

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