

North Fair Oaks Bicycle & Pedestrian Railroad Crossing & Community Connections Study

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Overview

- Overarching Goal, Outcomes & Objectives
- Study Context
- Key Stakeholders
- Community Outreach
- Schedule/Next Steps
- BPAC member nomination to serve on a Study Community Advisory Committee



Goal, Outcomes & Objectives

Goal: Overcome barriers to improve bicycle/pedestrian safety & access

Study Outcomes:

- Identify a viable, community-preferred location and design for a new bicycle/pedestrian grade-separated crossing of the Caltrain tracks
- Identify bicycle and pedestrian enhancements on local streets linking the preferred rail crossing to key destinations
- Position the County to be competitive for future grant funding opportunities to support implementation

Implementation Objectives:

- Reduce collisions, congestion, greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, & increasing bicycle and pedestrian mode share
- Promote economic activity by improving access to the commercial corridors on Middlefield Road & El Camino Real



STUDY AREA MAP



Map Legend

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| NFO Community Plan Proposed Railroad Crossing | Existing Railroad Crossings | Pipeline Affordable Housing Projects | Schools |
| Railroad Tracks | Study Area | Proposed Transit Hub | Key Destinations |
| | | SamTrans Bus Stops | |



Highways

Proposed Bikeways

- Class 1 Shared-use Path
- Class 2 Bike Lane
- Class 3 Bike Blvd.
- Class 4 Separated Bicycle Lane

Existing Bikeways

- Class 1 Shared-use Path
- Class 2 Bike Lane
- Class 3 Bike Blvd.
- Class IV Separated Bicycle Lane

Study Area Conditions



View of vacant Middlefield Junction project site, behind Fair Oaks Health Center across a Dumbarton spur track



Hetch Hetchy parcel (San Francisco Public Utilities Commission) at Calvin and Pacific, Caltrain tracks behind fence on Pacific in distance



Confined sidewalk space on Berkshire Ave



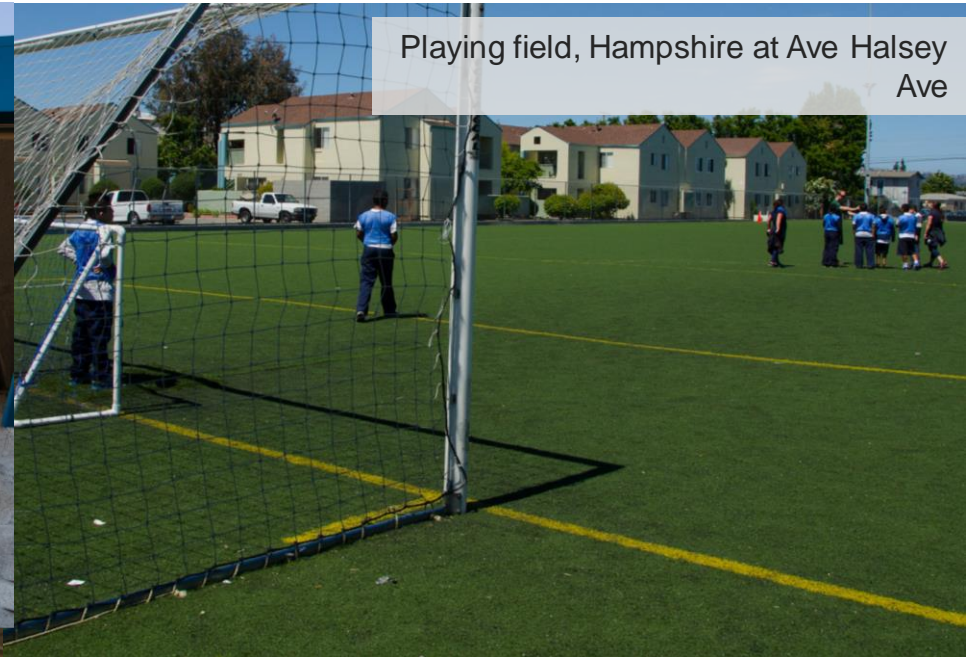
Looking west on Westmoreland Caltrain Railroad behind high security fencing

Study Area Destinations

Fair Oaks Branch Library, Middlefield Road



Playing field, Hampshire at Ave Halsey Ave



Sigona's Market, Middlefield Rd. and Charter St.



Friendship Park, Huntington Ave at Dumbarton

Key Stakeholders

- Potential Community Advisory Committee (CAC)
Member Representation, not limited to:
 - Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee
 - Community based organizations/non-profits
 - Community services (e.g. Fair Oaks Health Center/Library)
 - Faith-based organizations
 - Homeowner/renter/property manager/local business representatives



Key Stakeholders

- Potential Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Members

County Departments	Other Public Agencies
Fire, Health, Housing, Office of Community Affairs, Office of Sustainability, Planning & Building, Public Works, Real Property Services, Sheriff's Office, Supervisor Slocum's Office	Caltrans, CA High Speed Rail Authority, C/CAG, County Office of Education, Caltrain, Local Schools, Redwood City, SamTrans, SF Public Utilities Commission

Community Engagement

- Development of a community engagement plan
- Diverse activities to reach a broad cross-section of stakeholders
 - Presentations to local advisory & decision-making bodies, community groups & faith-based organizations
 - Community workshops & pop-ups
 - Engagement w/ disadvantaged residents & local businesses
 - Surveys (online & paper)
 - Webpage & social media content
- Materials/activities to be provided in English & Spanish



Current Progress & Next Steps

Date	Milestone
Nov. 2020 - Feb. 2021	Preparation of Caltrans grant application
June 2021	Notification of Caltrans grant award (\$356k)
August 2021	Board approval to execute Caltrans grant agreement
Oct. – Nov. 2021	Release and close of the RFP to select a consultant
Nov. - early Dec. 2021	Proposer selection process w/ multi-dept review panel
Dec. 2021 - Jan. 2022	Contract negotiations w/ highest ranked proposer
Mar. 2022	Board award of contract & Study kickoff (tentative)
Feb. 2024	Caltrans required Study complete date

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- **Questions/Comments**
- **Nomination of a BPAC Member to serve on the Study Community Advisory Committee**

