# Fruitridge Road Improvements Project

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# Overview

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- **Project Location**
- Project Background

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- Existing Conditions
- Proposed Improvements

Schedule and Cost

## Location



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# **Project Purpose**

- Fix the pavement
- Calm traffic and improve safety
- Provide safe and comfortable mobility options for all users: pedestrians, bicyclists, transit users, and drivers

# **Existing Conditions**



### **Poor Pavement Conditions**

• Pavement with cracks and base failure

### **Outdated Signals**

 Existing signals are outdated and some date back as far as 1957

# **Existing Conditions**

### Fruitridge Road is home to Regional Transit's Route 61







# **Existing Conditions**



Both vehicle and bike lanes do not meet current City-standard widths.

## **Appropriate Bike Facilities**



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# **Vision Zero Initiative**

- Uses data to identify causes of crashes involving serious injuries and fatalities, as well as identify countermeasures to reduce them.
- 80% of crashes occur on these High Injury Network Streets, which account for just 14% of our roadway network.
- Crash victims who walk are 10 times more likely to be killed or seriously injured in Sacramento than crash victims who drive.



# Safety



#### **ROAD DIETS**

Reduction in number of travel lanes, often paired with a center turning lane. Road diets can allow for additional space for other uses, including for pedestrians, bike lanes and parking.

EFFICACY:

COST: • • O

COMPLEXITY:

Unsafe speed is the leading cause of crashes. **2/3 of fatal crashes** occur on streets with a posted speed of 40+ mph, which account for just **10% of the City's street network** 

The primary collision factor in a crash is the factor which "best describes the primary or main cause of the collision," according to the reporting officer.10 When the primary collision factor is cited as "unsafe speed," it means that someone involved in the crash was driving "at a speed greater than is reasonable or prudent" for the conditions.<sup>11</sup> By slowing vehicles down, we can increase the time drivers have to react to potentially dangerous situations and we can reduce the severity of injuries by lessening the impact of a crash. The following countermeasures outline potential options for redesigning our roads to discourage unsafe speeds and enforce the speed limits that are in place.

### FACTORS

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ACTION PLAN

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» Accounts for 10% of all KSI crashes and 17% of vehicle KSI crashes

#### PROFILE 1: UNSAFE SPEED ON NON-LOCAL STREETS



#### STREET NARROWING

Several countermeasures fall within the Intersection Narrowing toolkit, including curb extensions (bulbouts), lane narrowing and visual narrowing. Curb extensions are raised devices, usually constructed from concrete and/or landscaping, that reduce the corner radius or narrow the roadway in order to reduce speeds of turning vehicles, improve sight lines, and shorten crossing distances. In addition to physically narrowing intersection or lane widths, visual narrowing techniques can help to slow speeds and increase driver attentiveness. Visual narrowing techniques include adding street trees, vertical lighting elements, street furniture, special paving treatments, or roadway markings.

EFFICACY:12

COST: OO

#### COMPLEXITY: 000

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COST: OO COMPLEXITY: OO SIGNAL SYNC, SLOW GREEN WAVE

Signals can be synchronized to give a progressive green band for cars traveling at a specified speed, resulting in vehicles traveling faster than the specified speed having to stop more frequently.

EFFICACY:

COST: OO

COMPLEXITY: 000

#### **Automated Speed Enforcement**

Automated speed detection devices can identify speeding violations and provide citations. California is currently considering legislation to allow this type of enforcement and the City of Sacramento plans to support this effort.

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COMPLEXITY: • • •

#### **BUFFERED BIKE LANES**

A buffered bike lane is comprised of a painted buffer between a Class II bicycle lane and the vehicles lanes, intended to reduce motor vehicle encroachment into the bike lane and increase bicyclist comfort and safety.

EFFICACY:

COMPLEXITY:

#### PEDESTRIAN REFUGE ISLANDS/ MEDIANS

Curbed sections in the center of the roadway that are physically separated from vehicular traffic. Raised medians or refuge islands shorten crossing distances across large, multi-lane roadways.

EFFICACY: ••• COST: ••• COMPLEXITY: •••

#### SEPARATED BIKEWAYS

#### (cycle tracks)

Bikeways, separated from vehicle traffic by a physical barrier, usually bollards, landscaping, parked cars, or through elevated separation.

EFFICACY: ••• COST: •••

COMPLEXITY:

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		Pedestrian crossings that are elevated to each vehicle approach.	the level of the sidewalk, with ramps on	
	» Accounts for 30% of	EFFICACY:		
	pedestrian KSI crashes	COST:		
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# **Vision Zero School Safety Study**



Earl Warren Elementary School

Drivers were seen not yielding to pedestrians when making right turns.

There is limited curb space on the corner of Lowell Street for students waiting to use the crosswalk



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### **Lane Reduction**



### **Buffered Bike Lanes / Separated Bikeways**



#### **Upgraded Pedestrian Crossings near School**

Pedestrian Refuge Islands, Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons





**Two-Stage Turn Box** 

#### **Improved Bike / Ped Access to School** Curb Extensions, Two Stage Turn Box



### **Shortened Pedestrian Crossings**

Curb Extensions



#### **Bus Stop Upgrades** Pads for Benches/Shelters, ADA Pads in Landscape Strip



#### Improved Access to Bus Stops

Widened Sidewalks to Eliminate "Pinch Points" at Poles

## Why Buffered Bike Lanes & Separated Bikeways?



## **How Will The Road Diet Work?**



### **Traffic – How Will This Work?**



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# **Traffic and Safety Outcomes**



- Anticipated speed reductions of **5 to 10 mph**
- Anticipating about a 12% reduction in traffic, mostly during commute hours
- Neighborhood traffic counts were conducted as baseline for post project evaluation

### Outreach



Place a dot for your experience.



*Community Outreach Event at Earl Warren Elementary School on August 24th, 2024* 

## Outreach

### **Resident Responses:**

- Good response to the road diet
- Residents felt there was a need for safety along the corridor and liked the idea of slowing vehicles down since there is a lot of speeding and sideshows that occur

### Action Plan based on Outreach:



- The initial design concepts include flexible posts for separated bikeways but in speaking to some of the residents they would like something more robust and aesthetic
  - Possibilities for this include adding aesthetics in things like bulb outs or concrete for buffers. The street is constrained in terms of ROW so there isn't space to add landscape
- Evaluate more robust pedestrian crossing flashing devices to improve visibility, including placement in median and potential mast arm configuration

# Schedule

PHASE	DATE
Currently Performing Preliminary Engineering & Environmental Clearance (PA&ED)	Current
Complete PA&ED, Begin Final Design	Early 2024
Complete Final Design	Late 2024
Construction	2025*

\*Dependent on grant success

# **Funding and Budget**

PHASE	TOTAL	FUNDING	NOTES
Engineering	\$980,000	Local Funding: \$660,000 <u>Federal Funding: \$320,000</u> Total: \$980,000	
Construction Total	\$9,600,000	Local Funds: \$500,000 <u>Federal Funds: \$2,570,000</u> Total: ~\$3,070,000	<i>\$6,530,000 funding needed</i> Will pursue ATP or SACOG funds for remaining construction funds needed
Total Project Costs	\$10.58 Million		

\*Project is being tailored to be competitive for grant funds

# **Project Highlights**

• Implementing a road diet with Buffered Bike Lanes / Separated Bikeways

- Improving pedestrian crossings with high visibility crosswalks, pedestrian refuge islands, curb extensions, and rectangular rapid flashing beacons
- Upgrading Bus Stop Amenities

Upgrading Curb Ramps













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# **Traffic Operations**



### Traffic Speed

- Today, travel by car down the corridor typically takes 2 to 3 minutes until you get to one of the major intersections
- After road diet, anticipate speed reductions of 5 to 10 mph, with an additional 1 minute of travel by car

### <u>Traffic Volume</u>

- Anticipating about a 12% reduction in traffic, mostly during commute hours
- Neighborhood traffic counts were conducted as baseline for post project evaluation