

MEMORANDUM

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CTC Meeting: January 25-26, 2024

From: STEVEN KECK, Chief Financial Officer

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Subject: **UPDATE ON COMPLETE STREETS PROGRAM**

SUMMARY:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) will be presenting an update on its Complete Streets Program to the California Transportation Commission (Commission) as an informational item at the January 2024 meeting.

BACKGROUND:

In October 2019, the Department was held accountable for delivering more alternatives to driving through Executive Order N-19-19. As a result of this, the Department immediately began identifying active transportation needs and setting aside new funding and working on the development of Caltrans Active Transportation Plans (CAT) to engage the public in identifying walking and biking needs on and across the State Highway System; all 12 CAT plans were completed in 2022.

In 2020, in conjunction with the Commission, the Department identified a one-time \$100 million funding reservation in the 2020 SHOPP to provide Complete Streets facilities in 34 projects across all 12 Districts.

By the end of 2021, the Department adopted the Director's Policy for Complete Streets (DP-37), directing all transportation projects funded or overseen by the Department to provide comfortable, convenient, and connected complete streets facilities for people walking, biking, and taking transit or passenger rail.

Recently updated planning, guidance, and policy documents that support bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure, active transportation, complete streets, and traffic calming efforts are included below:

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- 2023 State Highway System Management Plan
Document Link: [State Highway System Management Plan | Caltrans](#)
- Design Information Bulletin (DIB) #94 Complete Streets: Contextual Design Guidance. This DIB provides new engineering standards to achieve comfortable complete streets that serve all ages and abilities.
Document Link (DIB #94): [Design Information Bulletins \(DIBs\) | Caltrans](#)
- Main Street, California: A Guide for Fostering People-Centered State Highway Main Streets. This major update to the Main Street, California guide highlights tools and strategies for developing people-centered main streets that support equity, livability, and accessibility for all modes of travel.
Guide Link: <https://dot.ca.gov/programs/design/lap-landscape-architecture-and-community-livability/lap-main-street-california>
- Traffic Calming Guide: A Compendium of Strategies. This document aims at guiding road users to travel at a safe speed. The guidance consists of 27 calming measures developed to slow speeding vehicles by building self-enforcing roadways.
Report Link: https://dot.ca.gov/-/media/dot-media/programs/safety-programs/documents/traffic-calming/final-traffic-calming-guide_v2-a11y.pdf

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