

# Complete Streets at Caltrans

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# Complete Streets at Caltrans

## PLANNING & MODAL PROGRAMS

- Plans and tools to identify location based complete streets needs
- Active Transportation Program (ATP) & local agency technical assistance

## PROJECT DELIVERY

- Design Guidance, training and asset management for complete streets facilities



## MAINTENANCE, TRAFFIC OPERATIONS & SAFETY PROGRAMS

- Training & Guidance for maintenance of complete streets facilities.
- Active transportation data & Mobility Hub development
- Bicycle and pedestrian safety needs on SHS

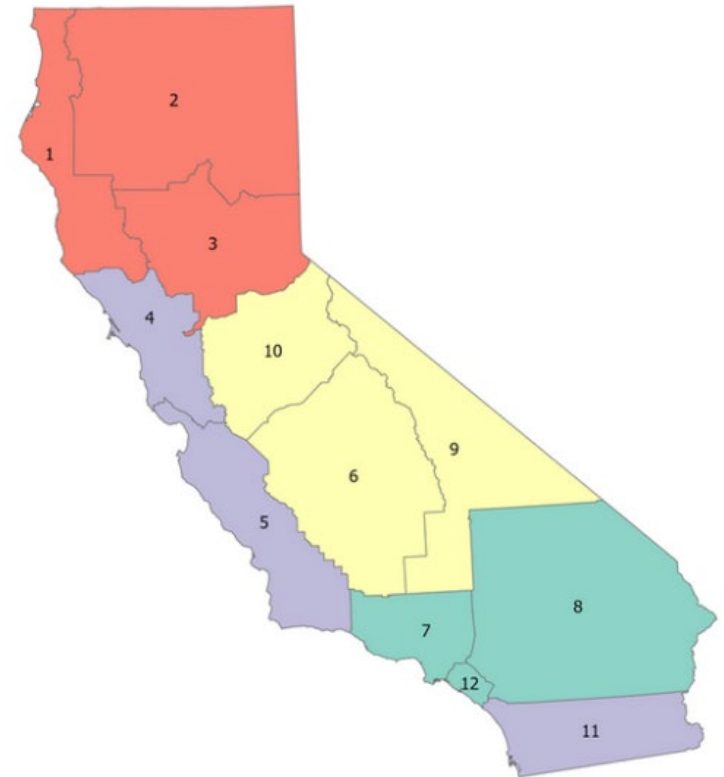
## DIRECTOR'S OFFICE

- Strategic policy, tracking, and reporting of departmental complete streets goals

# District Complete Streets Coordinators

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- Every District has a Complete Streets (CS) Coordinator
- District CS Coordinators key roles and responsibilities:
  - Collaborate with Project Development Teams (PDTs)
  - Early planning, initiation, and development
  - Assist asset managers
  - Complete Streets Decision Documents (CSDDs)
  - Assist with local agency projects
  - Partner with local and regional stakeholders

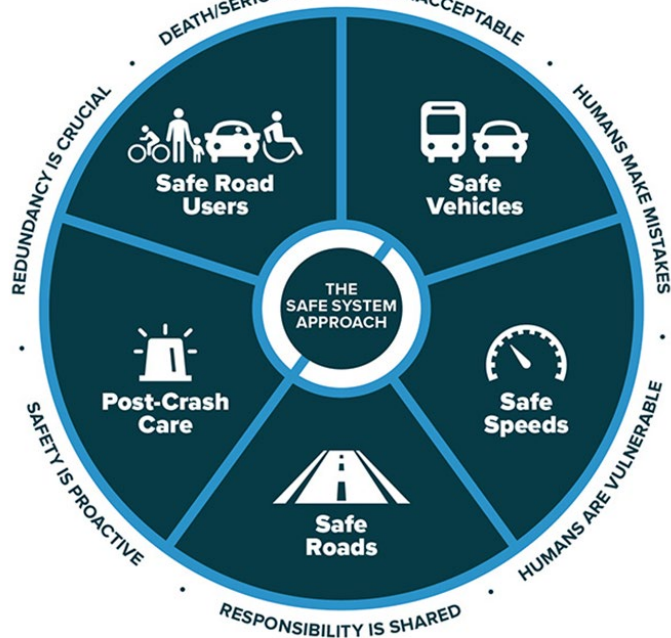


# Caltrans Key Policies

## Director's Policy 36

### Road Safety

**Zero** fatalities + serious injuries by **2050**



**Safety first**  
mindset

**Eliminate**  
race, age,  
ability, and  
mode-based  
**disparities**

## Director's Policy 37

### Complete Streets

*"All transportation projects funded or overseen by Caltrans will provide comfortable, convenient, and connected **Complete Streets facilities** for people walking, biking, and taking transit or passenger rail unless an exception is documented and approved."*

## Director's Policy 22

### Context Sensitive Solutions

The Department applies **Context Sensitive Solutions**, a collaborative and interdisciplinary approach that balances community, environmental, and transportation needs with safety, performance, and regulatory requirements in planning, designing, constructing, and maintaining transportation systems.

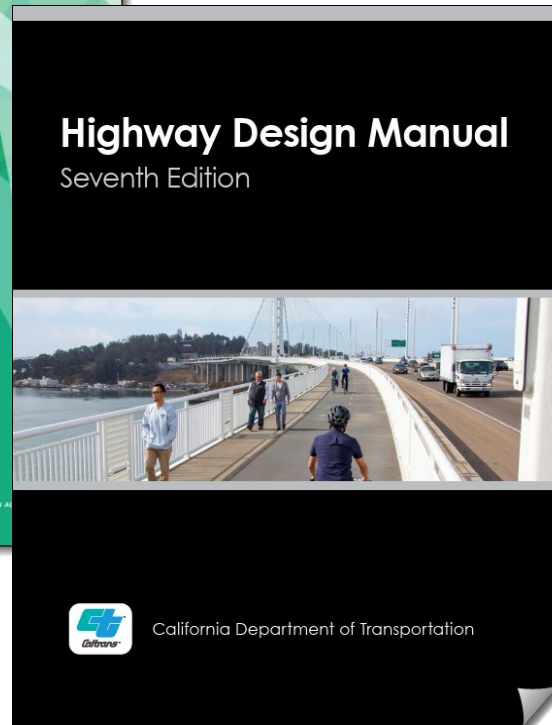
# Caltrans Key Plans



- Caltrans Strategic Plan
- California Transportation Plan (CTP) 2050
- 2024-25 Complete Streets Action Plan (CSAP)
- Caltrans State Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan (SBPP)
- Caltrans Active Transportation Plan (CAT Plans)
- Road Safety Action Plan

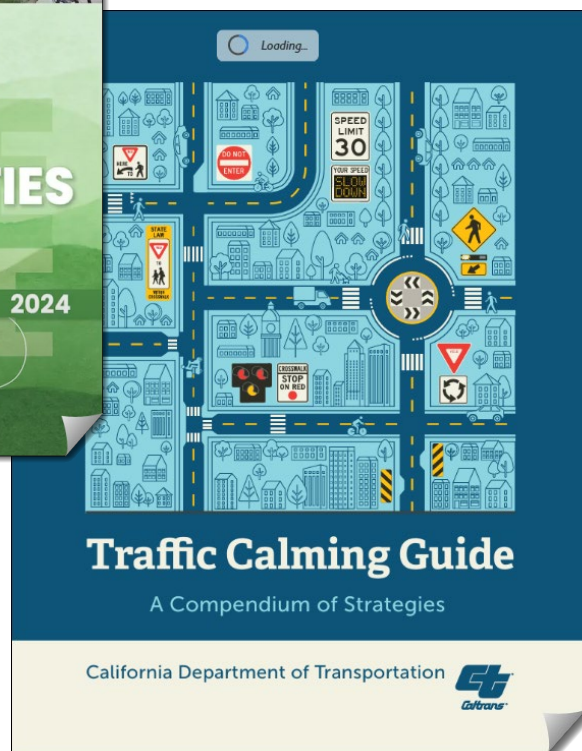
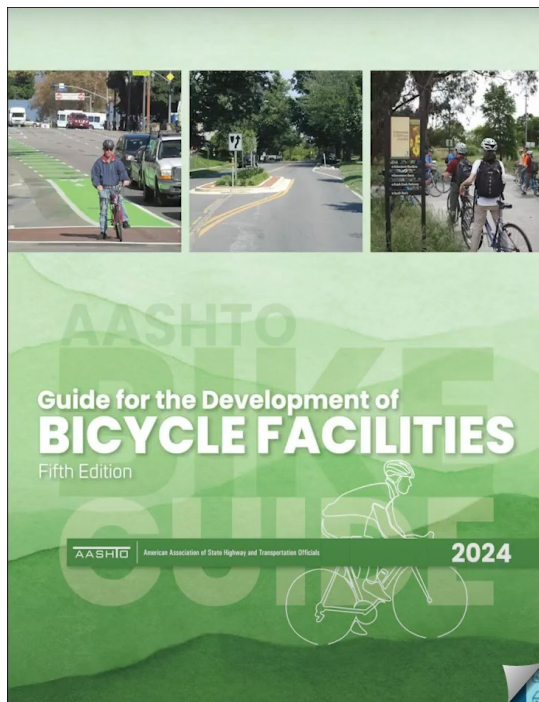


# Manuals & Guidance for State Highways



Document	Must Use	May Use
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CA Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CA MUTCD)	<b>X</b>	
Highway Design Manual (HDM)	<b>X</b>	
Highway Design Manual (HDM) Bikeway Guidance	<b>X</b>	
Design Information Bulletin (DIB 94)		<b>X</b>
<b>Guidance</b>		
Traffic Calming Guide		<b>X</b>
Main Street Guide		<b>X</b>
Smart Mobility Framework Implementation		<b>X</b>
Complete Streets Intersections Guide		<b>X</b>
AASHTO Bikeway Guide		<b>X</b>
NACTO Bikeway Guide		<b>X</b>

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# Key State Legislation

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- AB 1358 **California Complete Streets Act** (2008)
- SB 743 **CEQA Reform for VMT** (2013)
- AB 43 **Traffic Safety** (2021)
- SB 695 **Highway Transparency Act** (2024)
- SB 960 **Complete Streets Bill** (2024)
- SB 1216 **Class III Bikeways** (2024)



# Key Federal Legislation

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- **Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)** (1990)
- **Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) / Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA)** (2021)
- **Complete Streets Act of 2021** (H.R. 1289) (2021)



# Funding Sources for CS Projects

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## State

- Active Transportation Program (ATP)
- Solutions for Congested Corridor Programs (SCCP)
- State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)

## Caltrans

- State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP)
- Interregional Transportation Improvement Program (ITIP)
- Highway Maintenance (HM)

[\\*Additional Active Transportation Funding Programs](#)

# Complete Streets Development Phases

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# Planning Phases

PLANNING & K-PHASE

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Pre-K | Pre-PID

K Phase | PID

Which need can we coordinate, group and prioritize?

What are community transportation priorities?

What are specific features (road diets, crosswalks, etc.) to be included?

# Project Delivery Phases

PAED, PS&E

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0 Phase | PAED

1 Phase | PSE

What are the pros/  
cons of different  
project alternatives  
and design options?

Finalize project  
details and  
dimensions and  
select materials

# Construction Phase

CONSTRUCTION

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3 Phase | Con

Inform  
public of  
detours and  
access

# Committees Involved in Complete Streets Topics

*Shaping Design & Influencing Change in CS*

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**Equity Advisory Committee**



**California Traffic Control Device  
Committee (CTCDC)**



**District Bicycle & Pedestrian  
Advisory Committees (BPAC)**



**California Walk Bike Technical  
Advisory Committee**



**Design Guidance Advisory  
Committee**

# EAC Engagement Opportunities & Discussion

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- Advise on Caltrans complete streets policies, plans, and priorities
- Help strengthen equity within complete streets implementation
  - Engagement Guidance
  - Equitable Funding
- Near term opportunities –
  - State Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan
  - District & Statewide Transit Plans
- Should complete streets items be discussed at the full EAC or at EAC subcommittees?





# Resources Available

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[2024-25 Complete Streets Action Plan \(CSAP\)](#)

[California Transportation Plan \(CTP\) 2050](#)

[Caltrans State Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan \(SBPP\)](#)

[Caltrans Active Transportation Plan \(CAT Plans\)](#)

[Caltrans 2024-28 Strategic Plan](#)

[Road Safety Action Plan](#)

Complete Streets Hub – Coming soon!

A group of cyclists are riding on a wide, paved path that stretches into the distance. The path is flanked by lush green trees and a clear blue sky. In the background, a tall, yellow building with a tower is visible. The path is lined with black lampposts and concrete pillars. The cyclists are wearing various gear, including helmets and jerseys. The overall scene is bright and sunny, suggesting a pleasant day for a ride.

# Thank you!

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