

Date: September 26, 2007

Committee Meeting Date: October 10, 2007

Board Meeting Date: N/A

BOARD MEMORANDUM

ACTION DISCUSSION X INFO

TO: Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee
Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority
Board of Directors

THROUGH: Michael T. Burns
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SUBJECT: 2007 Bicycle Technical Guidelines Update

FOR DISCUSSION

BACKGROUND:

The Bicycle Technical Guidelines were adopted by the Board of Directors in September 1999. Over the past nine months, VTA staff has been engaged in a process to comprehensively review and update, as needed, each section of the Bicycle Technical Guidelines (BTG). The updates include new topics as well as formatting, organizational, and editorial revisions to make the document easier to use. In addition, cross-references to the Board-adopted Community Design & Transportation Best Practices Manual and Pedestrian Technical Guidelines have been added. The updated chapters have been incrementally brought before the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) for comment at five prior BPAC meetings. The BTG working group, composed of three members of the TAC, has also reviewed these revised chapters.

DISCUSSION:

Over the past several months the BPAC has reviewed and discussed the following sections of the BTG update:

Freeway Interchanges	February 2007
Sharrows	February 2007
Drainage /Drainage Grates	March 2007
Bike Paths & Bike Bridges	March 2007

Maintenance & Construction Zones	April 2007
Bikeways on Major Roads	June 2007
Bike Parking	June 2007
Intersections	August 2007
Local roads/Bike Boulevards	August 2007

On September 12, a link to the VTA ftp site for the full draft document was sent by email to the BTG Update Working Group members and the BPAC. This link is:
<http://www.vta.org/news/vtatac/BTG/>

If a hard copy is desired, please contact the office of the Board Secretary at 404-321-5680 or board.secretary@vta.org. At the October 11 TAC meeting, staff will present the full draft document. The TAC is asked to review the document and provide comments at the meeting or written comments by October 12, 2007. The schedule for completing the BTG update is presented below.

Milestone	Type of Action	Date
Draft released	Public review	September 12, 2007
BPAC	Discussion	October 10, 2007
TAC	Discussion	October 11, 2007
Comments Due		October 12, 2007
BPAC	Action	November 7, 2007
TAC	Action	November 8, 2007
CMPP		November 18, 2007
Board	Action	December 6, 2007
Publish Final BTG		January 2008

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