



CENTRAL BIKEWAY

Virtual Community Meeting 3

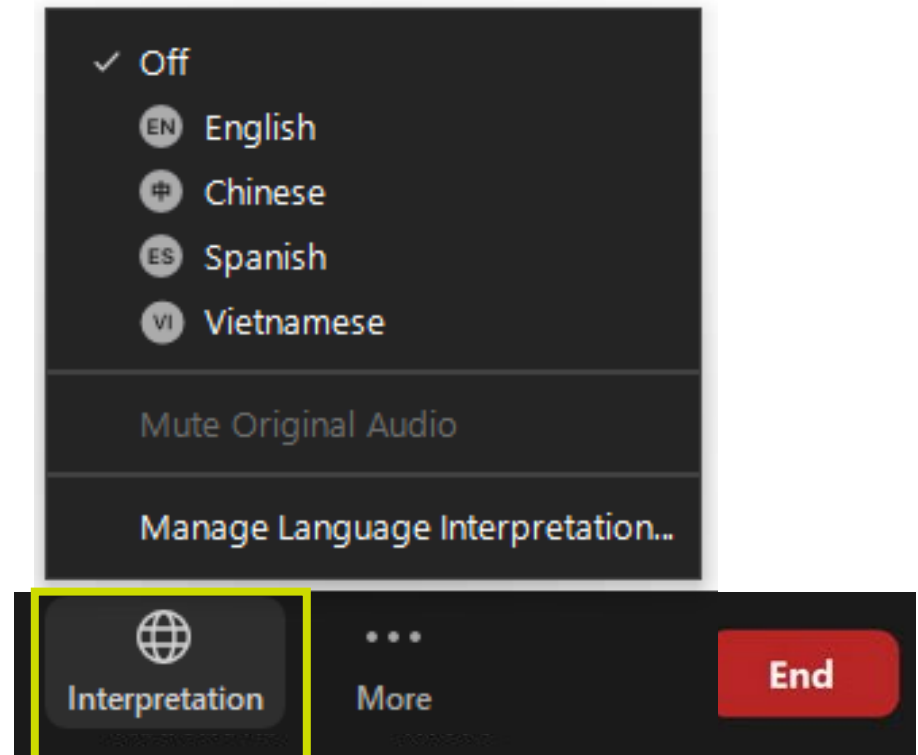
Central Bikeway Study

Wednesday, September 29 | 12-1:30 p.m.

Thursday, September 30 | 6-7:30 p.m.

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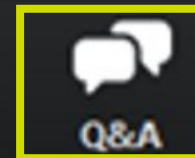
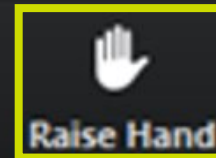
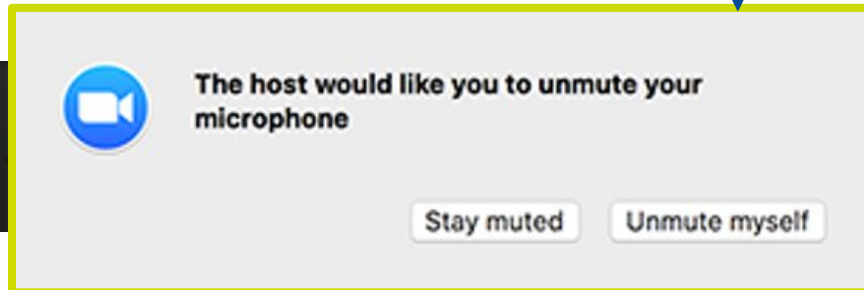
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Leave Meeting

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Meet the Project Team



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Project Manager



**Emily
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Alta
Principal



**Jacky
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META, LLC



**Sarah
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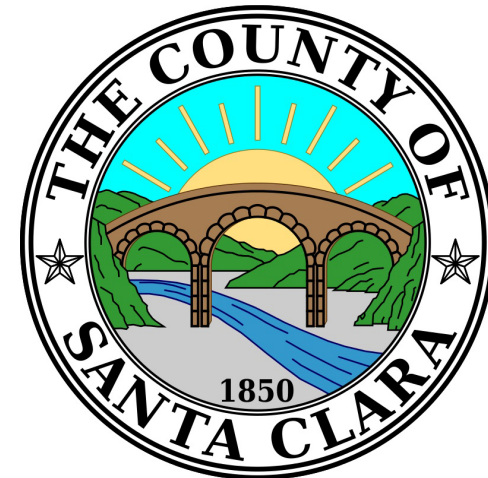
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Project Partners



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Santa Clara**
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Today's Agenda

- Recap on the project vision, goals, and timeline
- Recap on previous rounds of engagement
- What we've been up to
 - Alternative analysis
- Hearing from you
 - Your feedback on the top ranked alternative
- Q & A



Engagement Principles



- **Actively Reach Underrepresented Communities**
- **Build Trust and Respect with the Community**
- **Make it Relevant**
- **You Speak, We Listen**
- **Don't Lose Sight of Joy**



A blue-tinted photograph of two cyclists riding on a road. The cyclist in the foreground is wearing a white jersey and a black helmet, leaning forward in a racing posture. The second cyclist is slightly behind and to the right, also in a racing posture. The background shows a road and some vegetation, all under a blue overlay.

Poll #1: Who's here today?

BACKGROUND

How did we get here?

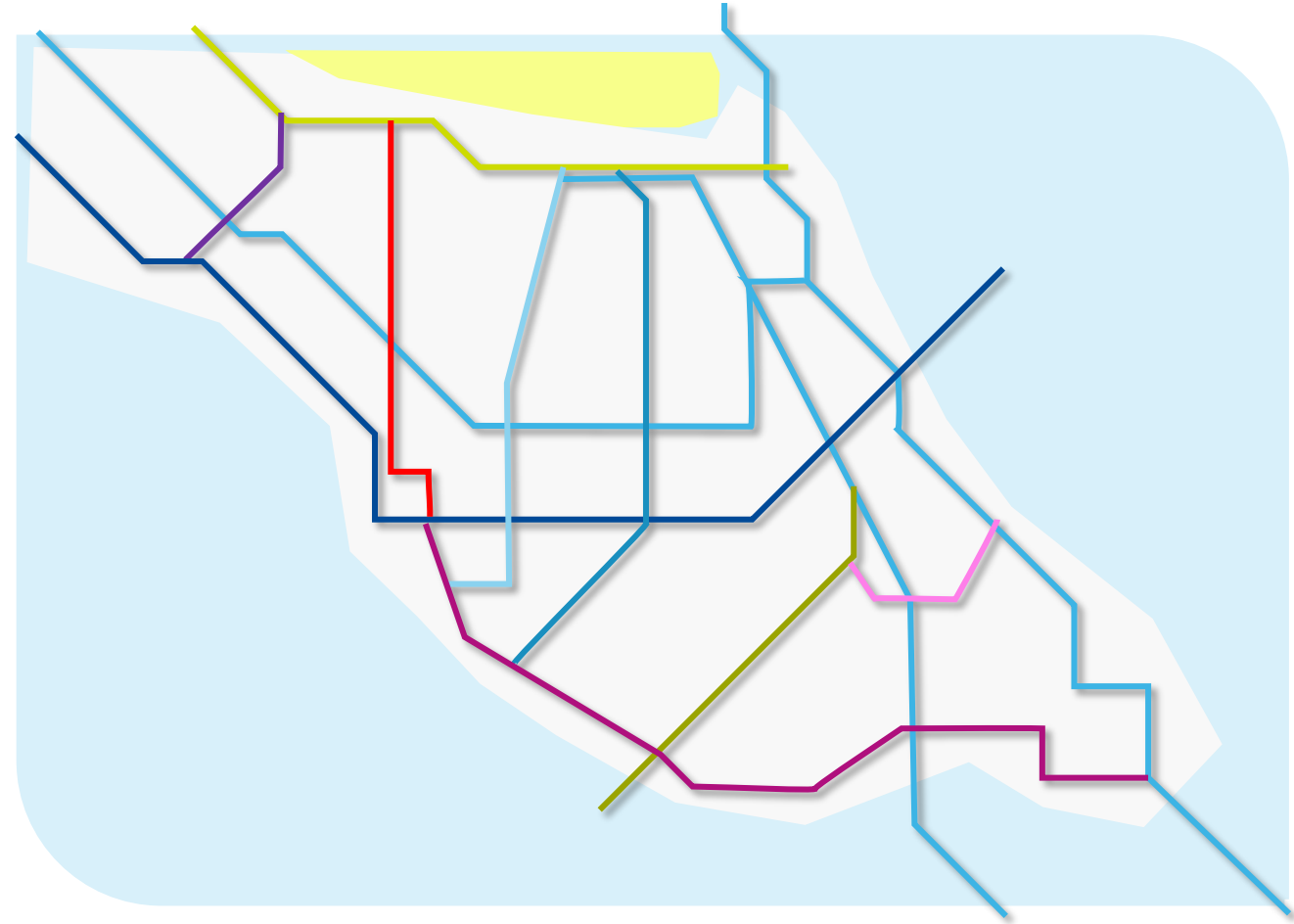
- Currently **800** miles of bikeway in County, **200** miles of bike paths
- VTA is proposing a cross-County network for Bicycle Superhighways
- Allow people to connect on low-stress bikeways across the County



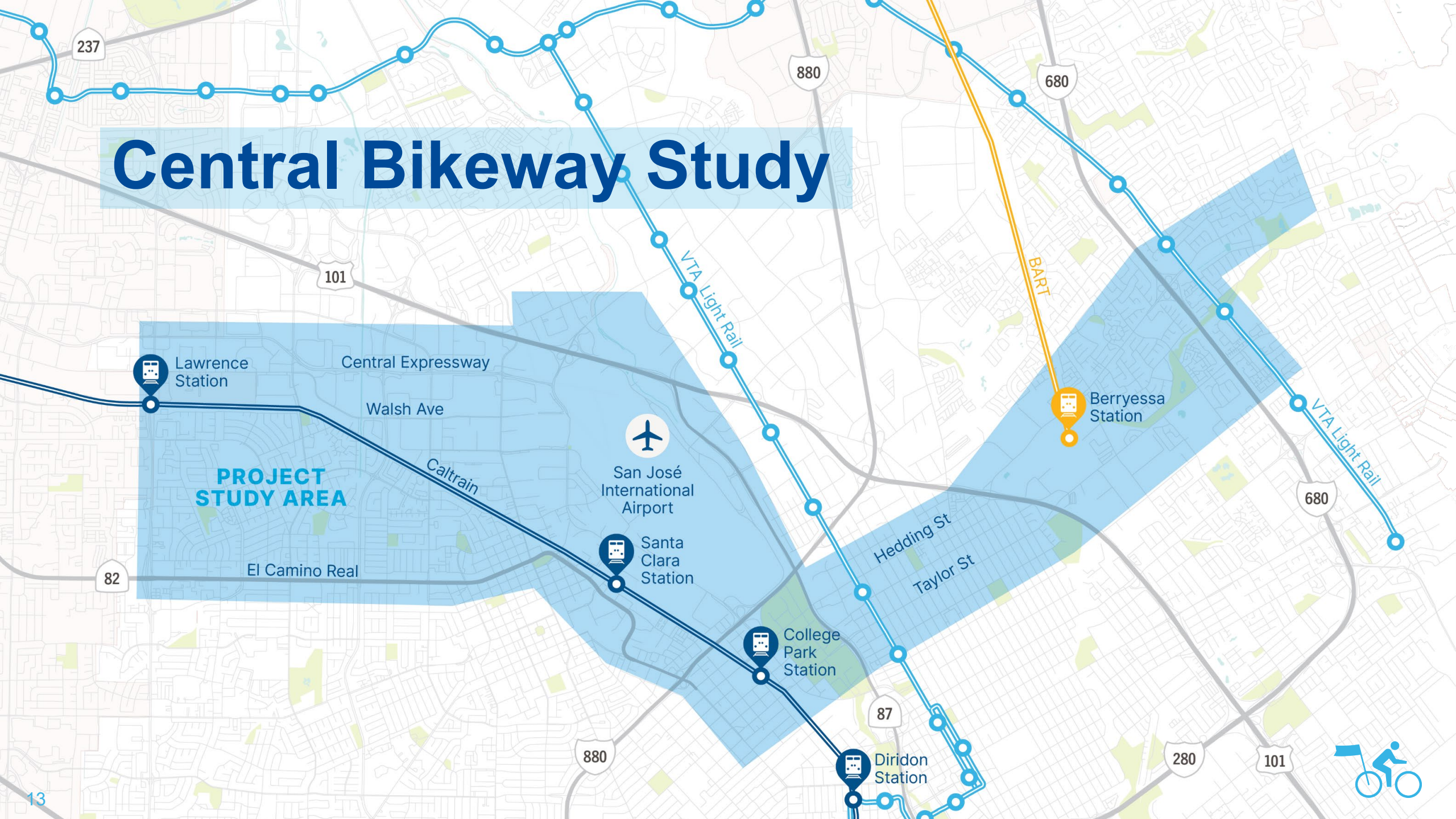
VISION

Bicycle Superhighways

- Routes separated mainly from automobiles – 17 candidate corridors
- High-quality, joyful, connections throughout County
- Builds on existing trail networks
- Includes on-street bikeways currently being planned by local agencies



Central Bikeway Study



Central Bikeway Project Vision

Create a bicycle superhighway that will provide a joyful, continuous, connected, and comfortable bikeway between Santa Clara and North San José.



Central Bikeway Project Goals



Equity



Access



Safety



Joy



Sustainable Mobility



**Project
Compatibility**



**Community-Desired
Project**



Project Schedule

- **Existing Conditions Analysis:** We assess what's been planned and what's there now
August 2020 – October 2020
- **Alternatives Analysis:** We review multiple alignments
November 2020 – March 2021
- **Preferred Design Analysis:** We select the preferred alignment
April 2021 – September 2021
- **Draft Study:** We present a draft report for public input
October 2021 – December 2021
- **Final Study:** The final report is complete
January 2022 - February 2022



Q&A Break

Any questions so far?



A background image of two cyclists riding on a path, overlaid with a blue gradient. The cyclist on the left is wearing a helmet and a light-colored shirt, while the cyclist on the right is wearing a dark shirt and a helmet. They are both looking towards the right. A small yellow horizontal line is positioned above the word "Learn" in the text.

What Did We Learn During Previous Rounds of Community Engagement?

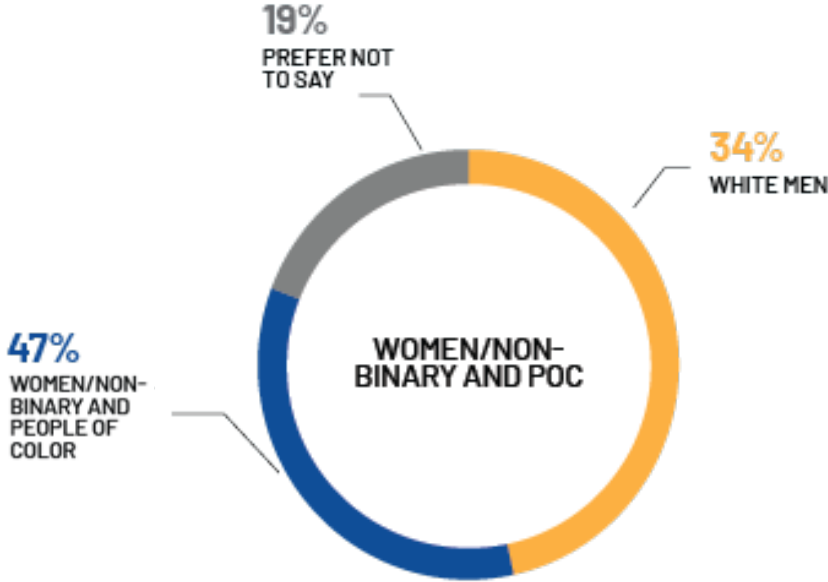
Who did we hear from?

- 4 virtual community meetings
 - 105 of total attendees
- 2 online surveys
 - 1,751 completed surveys
 - 4 languages
- Outreach
 - 7 virtual pop-ups
 - 830+ flyers distributed

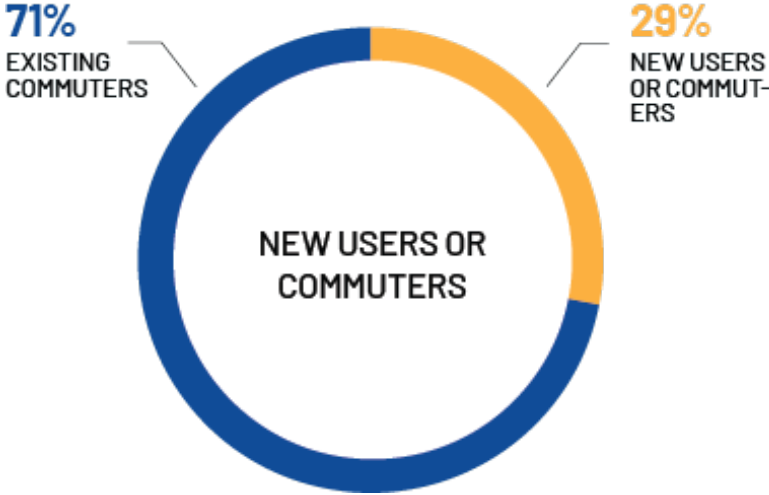
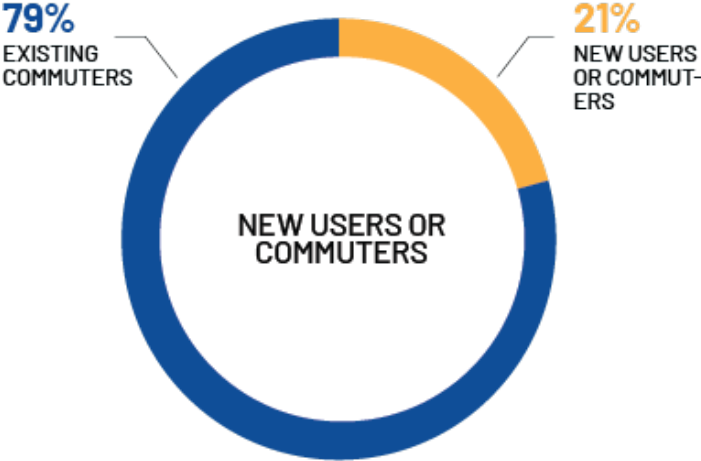
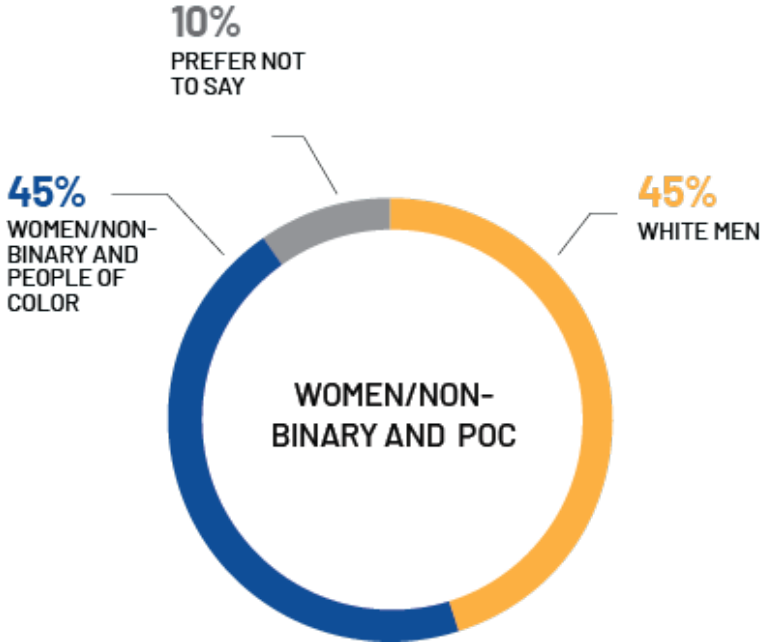


Who did we hear from?

Round 1



Round 2



Feedback on goals

 **25% Safety**

-  17% Community-desired project
-  14% Sustainable mobility
-  14% Access
-  13% Joy
-  5% Project compatibility
-  4% Equity
- 8% Other



Encouraging bicycling

What would help you choose riding your bike instead of driving or carpooling?

Top 3 answers:

1. Comfortable bikeways or roads that connect with where I need to go
2. Feeling safer when riding on streets with traffic
3. A bikeway that is efficient and quick



Destinations

42% grocery, shopping, restaurant, or other destination

22% recreation, exercise

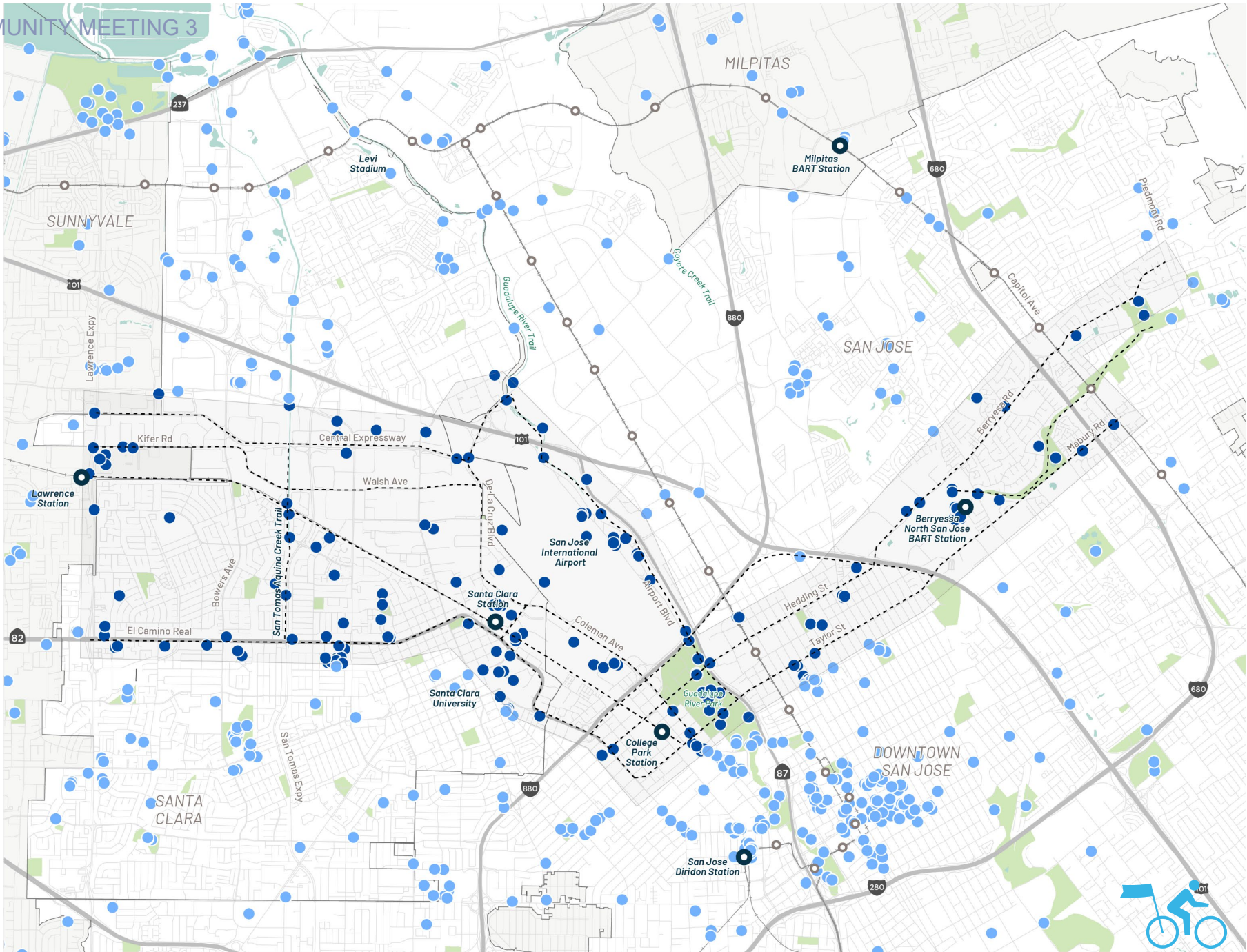
15% work or school

12% other

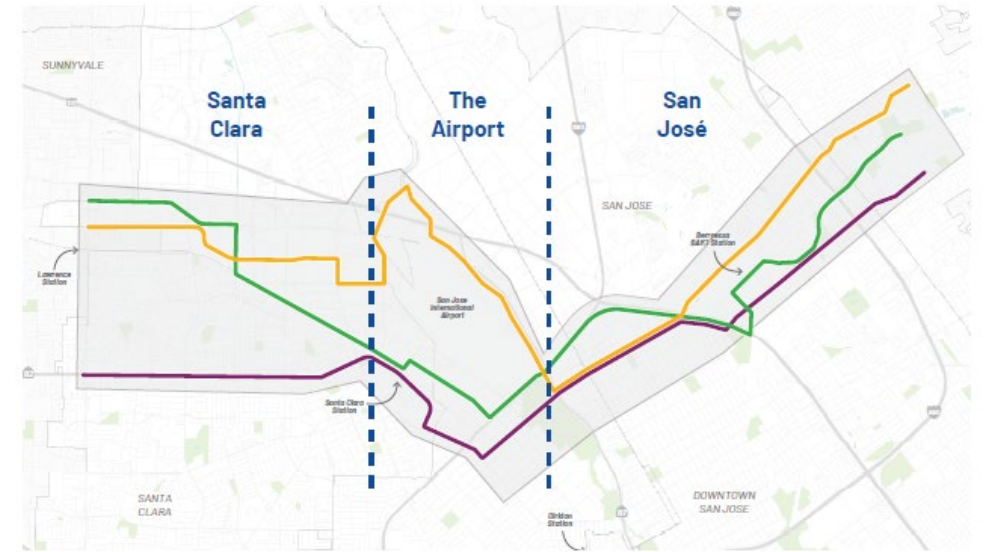
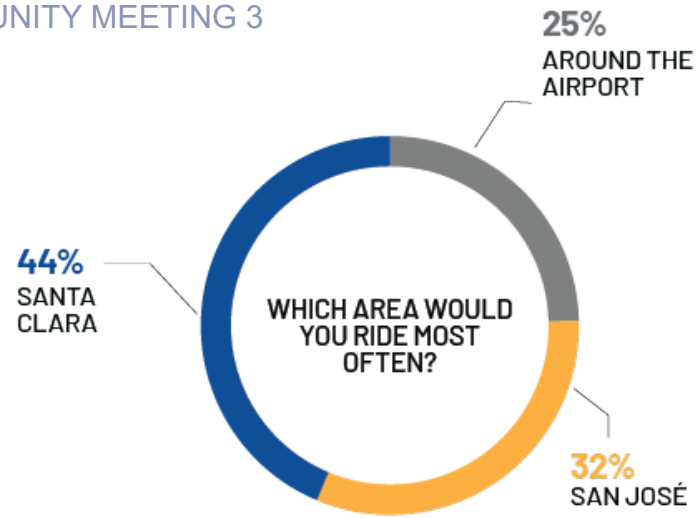
5% transit

4% friends or family

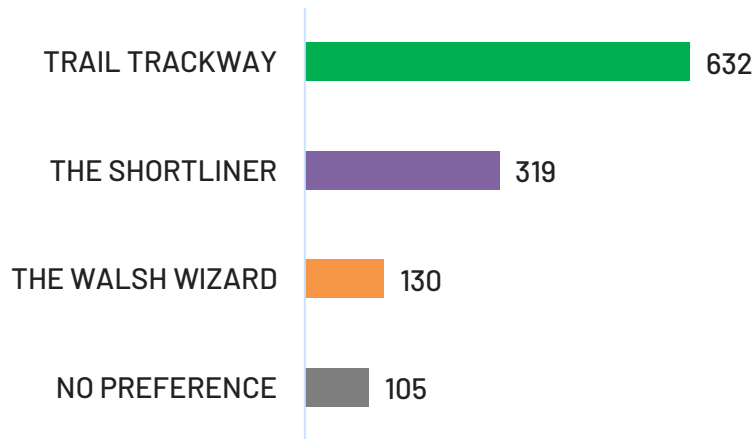
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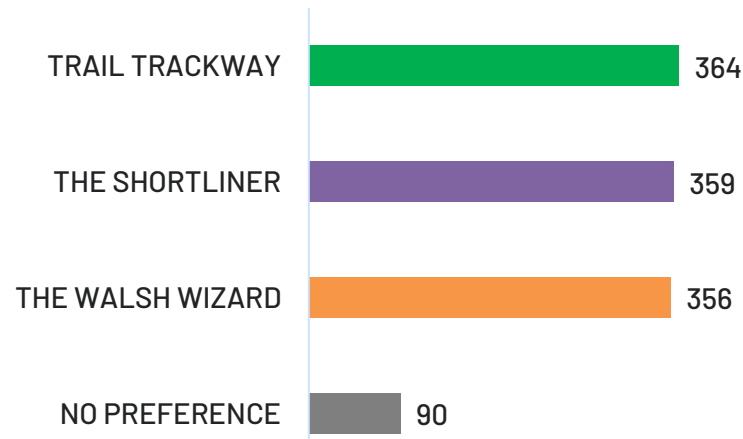
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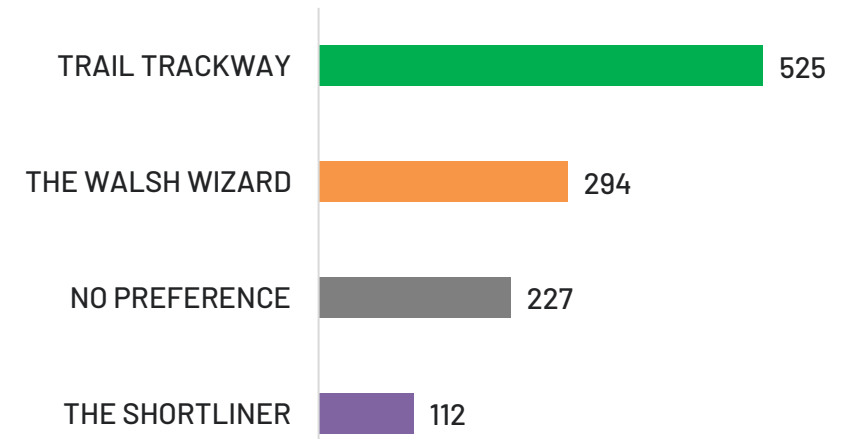
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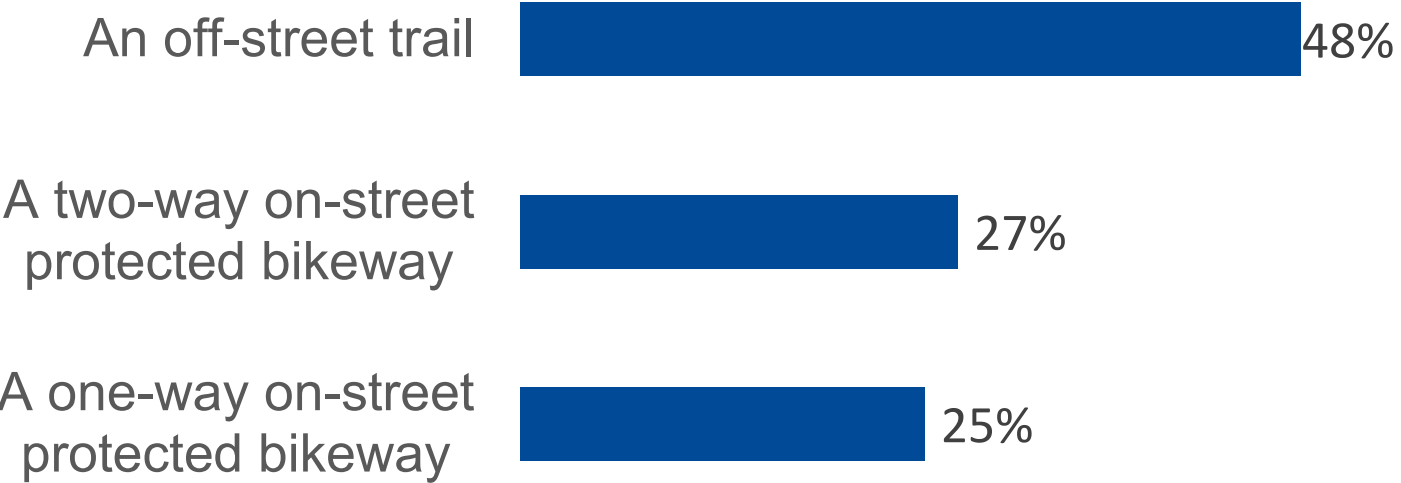


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Why do people prefer trails?

What type of bikeway below would encourage you to ride on the Central Bikeway instead of driving or carpooling?



Top Responses

“Feels safer.”

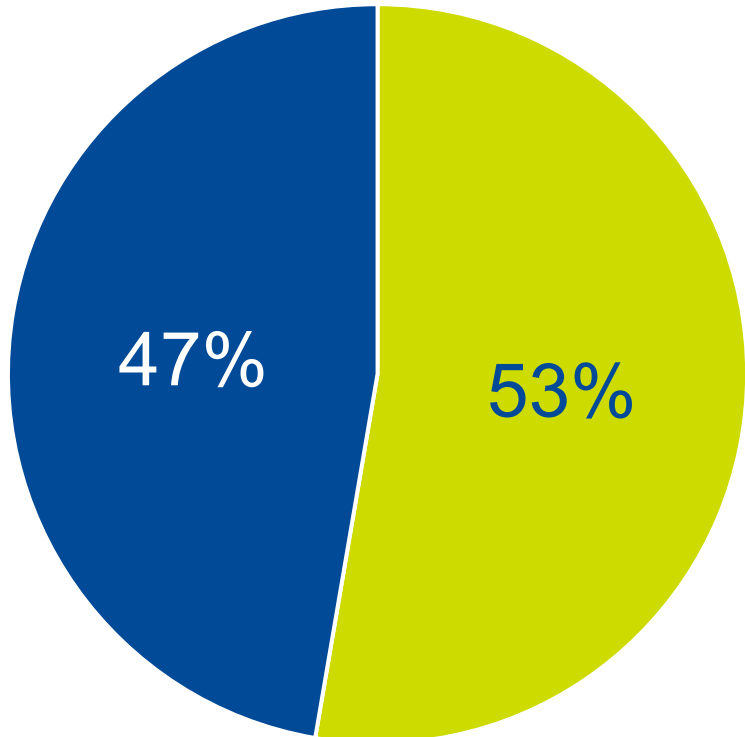
“I love to ride away from cars.”

“Protected bikeways often have hazards at cross streets or driveways.”



What else did we hear?

Some alternatives may take more time to build. Select which option you prefer.



- A bikeway that can be built more quickly, but uses the street network
- A bikeway that may take more time to build, but uses trails not near cars





Alternatives Analysis

Central Bikeway Project Goals



Equity



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3 Alternatives

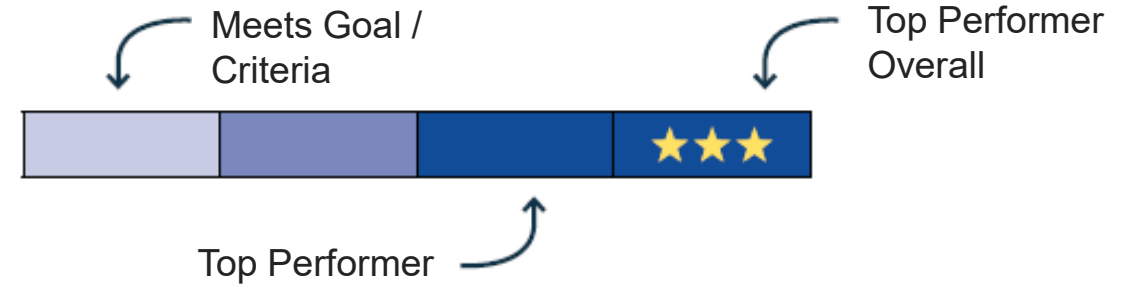
The Walsh Wizard

Trail Trackway

The Shortliner



Summary of Results



Santa Clara

Wizard Trackway Shortliner

	Wizard	Trackway	Shortliner
EQUITY	Meets Goal / Criteria	Top Performer	Meets Goal / Criteria
PROJECT COMPATIBILITY	Meets Goal / Criteria	Meets Goal / Criteria	Meets Goal / Criteria
COMMUNITY DESIRED PROJECT	Meets Goal / Criteria	Meets Goal / Criteria	Top Performer
SUSTAINABLE MOBILITY	Meets Goal / Criteria	Meets Goal / Criteria	Top Performer
ACCESS	Top Performer	Meets Goal / Criteria	Top Performer
JOY	Meets Goal / Criteria	Meets Goal / Criteria	Meets Goal / Criteria
SAFETY	Meets Goal / Criteria	Top Performer	Meets Goal / Criteria
OVERALL	Meets Goal / Criteria	Meets Goal / Criteria	Top Performer Overall

The Airport

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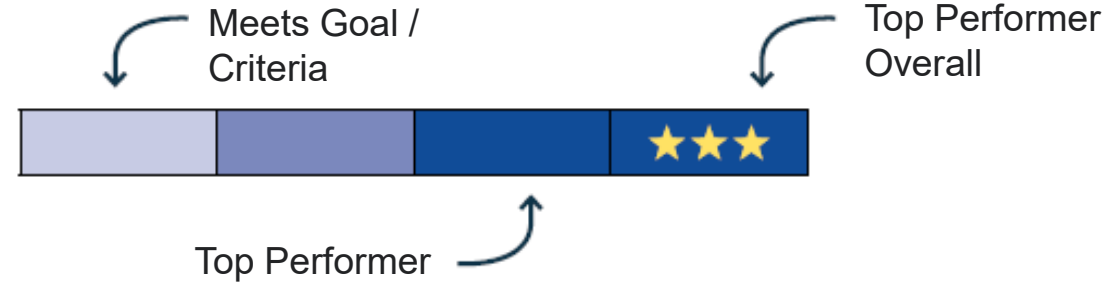
San Jose

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Summary of Results



Community-preferred segment

Connects to community-identified destinations

Santa Clara

Wizard Trackway Shortliner

The Airport

Wizard Trackway Shortliner

San Jose

Wizard Trackway Shortliner

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Connects to the most transit stops and employment centers

Least differentiation overall



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**How are we meeting
community needs?**

You told us:

- **We want to connect to destinations where we need to go:**



YES: The Shortliner connects to the greatest number of destinations you said were important to you.

- **We want an efficient and quick route:**



YES: The Shortliner is the shortest alternative both in terms of distance and travel time.



You told us:

- **We enjoy a trail-like experience:**

NEEDS ATTENTION: The Trail Trackway ranked highest by the community because it was the alternative with the most trails.

RESPONSE: Although the Shortliner runs along the road network, it could incorporate design features that promote a feeling of:

- **Openness**
- **Safety**
- **Flow**
- **Physical comfort**

making it feel more like a trail experience.



Conceptual Rendering



POLL

Which of the following features for the Shortliner will encourage you to ride on the Central Bikeway?

(select all that apply)

- a) A wide bikeway to make it feel open and uncrowded
- b) A physical barrier along the bikeway with physically protected bike waiting zones at major intersections to make the bikeway feel safe from vehicles
- c) Signals that turn green when bicyclists approach and raised crossings at side streets to promote a continuous flow for people riding bikes
- d) Shade trees and landscaping to reduce temperatures and create shade, making the bikeway feel more physically comfortable
- e) Rest areas with amenities such as bike parking, drinking fountains, seating, and public art
- f) Other suggestions needed to make it feel more like a trail-like experience _____



Q&A Break

Any questions so far?





What will the Central Bikeway feel like?



El Camino Real

Existing



Key Map



Conceptual Rendering



POLL: El Camino Real

Would the design features shown make you feel comfortable and encourage you to ride on this bikeway?

- a) Yes, the design features would make me feel comfortable.
- b) No, the design features would not make me feel comfortable.

Conceptual Rendering



POLL : El Camino Real

Which features shown would have the biggest impact on your comfort level? Select up to three.

1. Seven-foot-wide sidewalk-level bikeway
2. Bus boarding island
3. Shade trees and landscape
4. Separated from traffic
5. Lighting
6. Safer driveway crossings
7. Directional signage
8. Other _____

Conceptual Rendering

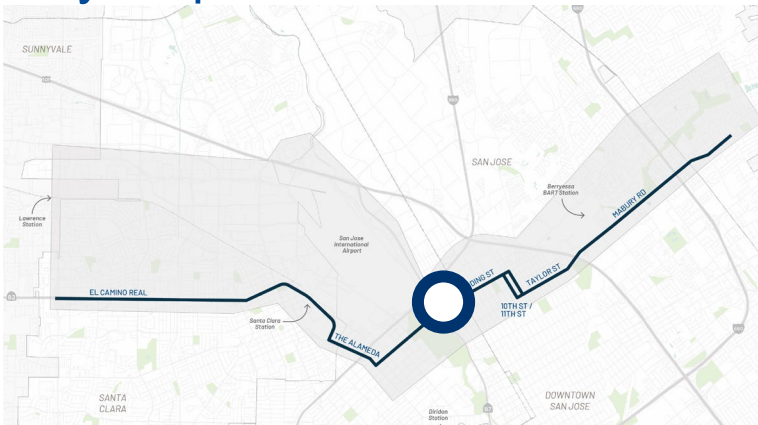


Hedding Street

Existing



Key Map



Conceptual Rendering



POLL: Hedding Street

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- a) Yes, the design features would make me feel comfortable.
- b) No, the design features would not make me feel comfortable.

Conceptual Rendering



POLL: Hedding Street

Which features shown would have the biggest impact on your comfort level? Select up to three.

1. Seven-foot-wide protected bikeway
2. Traffic signal improvements to maintain bike flow
3. Protected bike waiting zones at intersections
4. Shade trees
5. Separated from traffic
6. Lighting
7. Directional signage
8. Other _____

Conceptual Rendering



Taylor Street

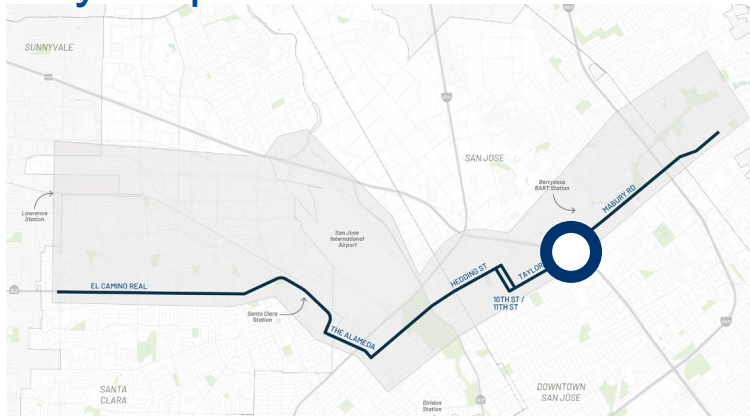
Existing



Conceptual Rendering



Key Map



POLL: Taylor Street

Would the design features shown make you feel comfortable and encourage you to ride on this bikeway?

- a) Yes, the design features would make me feel comfortable.
- b) No, the design features would not make me feel comfortable.

Conceptual Rendering



POLL: Taylor Street

Which features shown would have the biggest impact on your comfort level? Select up to three.

1. 12-foot-wide bidirectional protected bikeway
2. Raised crossings to prioritize bikes at intersections
3. Shade trees and landscape
4. Separated from traffic
5. Safer driveway crossings
6. Lighting
7. Directional signage
8. Other _____

Conceptual Rendering




POLL

Now that you've seen the potential design features, does the route meet your expectations for the Central Bikeway?

- a) Yes, the route and design features meet my expectations for the Central Bikeway.
- b) No, my expectations were not met



Online Survey: [VTA.org/CentralBikeway](https://vta.org/CentralBikeway)

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Central Bikeway Study

Welcome to the Central Bikeway Study! We're seeking to create a bicycle superhighway that will provide a joyful, connected, comfortable bikeway between Santa Clara and North San José.

Please take our Round 3 survey and share your thoughts: English, Español, Tiếng Việt, or 中文

Join us for our upcoming interactive virtual meetings! Please RSVP on Eventbrite:
Virtual Meeting Wednesday, September 29, 2021 - 12:00 pm

 Valley Transportation Authority ②
Solutions that move you **CENTRAL BIKEWAY**

Central Bikeway Study Survey

Welcome to the Central Bikeway Study Survey



Take the survey in [Español](#), [Tiếng Việt](#), or [中文](#)

We're introducing three alternative corridors to connect Santa Clara and North San José via a joyful, continuous, and connected low-stress bicycle superhighway. See how your input is shaping the Central Bikeway and let us know what you think so far.

The Central Bikeway would be built using three bikeway types shown below. The alternatives presented use these bikeway types in different areas. The survey will explain how your feedback from the first round of engagement helped develop the alternatives and ask about your preferences and where you want to ride.



Engagement Schedule





● October-November 2020
ROUND 1 OUTREACH EVENTS   
Listen to your vision and needs

● March 2021
ROUND 2 OUTREACH EVENTS   
Collaborate on bikeway design concept

We are here! 

● Fall 2021
ROUND 3 OUTREACH EVENTS   
Refine a preferred bikeway alternative

● Winter 2021
DRAFT STUDY  
Did we get it **Right?**

-  Virtual Community Meeting
-  Online Engagement
-  Partner Presentations
-  Comment of Draft Plan



Q&A

What questions do you have?



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Do you have any suggestions for promoting future Study updates?

Thank you for attending!

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