



NAPA VALLEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

TAC Agenda Letter

TO: Technical Advisory Committee
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SUBJECT: Presentation by the Napa County Bicycle Coalition on the Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Program funded by One Bay Area Grant 2 (OBAG 2)

RECOMMENDATION

Information only

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Napa County Safe Routes to School Program provides bicycle and walking safety education and training to students in Napa County schools. The program is operated under the Community Programs branch of the Napa County Office of Education (NCOE) in cooperation with the Napa County Bicycle Coalition (NCBC). The 3-year program is funded through the One Bay Area Grant (OBAG 2 \$227,000) and Active Transportation Program Non-Infrastructure Grant (ATP \$437,000) through June 2022. NCOE and NCBC are providing matching funds of \$147,000 combined for the project. Patrick Band, NCBC Executive Director, will provide the committee with a program update and next steps.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? No

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

The Napa County Safe Routes to School project focuses on comprehensive education and encouragement, as well as data analysis and community engagement to guide future infrastructure improvements and encouragement programs. Through this program, NCBC is conducting Walk Audits at all public schools countywide, and developing summary reports identifying infrastructure and non-infrastructure barriers to increased

walking and biking by students. Up to thirteen (13) identified “High Needs” schools will receive additional evaluation through an Active Transportation Action Plan, with the goal of creating a long-term sustainable mode shift toward pending future education and encouragement funding for the overall Safe Routes to School program.

NCBC tasks for the program include:

- A - School site evaluations and Walk Audit reports for all public school sites
- B - Up to thirteen (13) “High Needs” Active Transportation Action Plan reports
- C – Qualitative and quantitative transportation safety and perception analysis

Preliminary evaluations have been completed for all school sites, and draft Walk Audit reports and Action Plans are being drafted by NCBC staff.

Prior to publication of Walk Audit and Action Plan reports, NCBC will provide local agencies an Administrative Draft for review and comment. Current estimates are that drafts will be submitted to agencies starting in February 2021, with a 45-day window for comment. As noted above, all work must be completed by June 30, 2021.

NCBC Executive Director, Patrick Band, will provide an update and next steps for these tasks, and be available to answer questions.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Attachment(s): None