

Complete Streets Action Plan Quarterly Highlights

Q4 2022

Headquarters

Task 4.5 - Develop Contextual Design Guidance for Walking, Biking, and Transit Facilities

The Caltrans Complete Streets Design Division is in the process of developing contextual guidance for walking, biking, and transit facilities in the form of a Design Information Bulletin, known as DIB-94. The guidance would set minimum expectations for complete streets facilities by rural, suburban, and urban place types while considering roadway contexts such as speed or traffic volumes. It will also include design instruction on various complete streets features, such as the use of reduced lane widths for complete streets projects.

DIB-94 will set forth new standards and streamline the design and approvals process for projects in applicable areas, in some cases superseding the HDM standards and reducing the need for Design Standard Decision Documents (DSDDs). The new DIB will also apply to local projects constructed under permit within Caltrans right of way, clarifying expectations and streamlining the process for these projects.

The DIB may be applied to any projects with bicycle or pedestrian access in an urban, suburban, or rural area with posted speeds of less than 45 mph. Application of the DIB is optional but provides greater flexibility in designing for complete streets.

The draft version of DIB-94 has been circulated for review with final adoption expected in early Spring 2023.

Districts

Task 1.6 - Expand District 4 Inventory of Complete Streets Assets

District 4 has successfully developed an inventory of complete streets assets throughout their region, including but not limited to bicycle and pedestrian overcrossings/undercrossings, transit lanes, and other transit-supportive infrastructure. There will be a report on this item in the next issue of District 4's Complete Streets Newsletter in early Spring 2023.

Task 2.7 & 4.12 - List of Active Transportation & Transit Funding Opportunities & Complete Streets/Transit Guidance to Local & Regional Partners Across District 9

Caltrans District 9 has developed a consolidated list of active transportation and related transit first-last mile funding opportunities that their local city, county, and transit partners can tap into for their local transportation projects and land use plans. The District hopes this information will help with developing project-level funding strategies that can be used to build complete streets projects in local jurisdictions.

District 9 also compiled a list of guidance documents used statewide and nationally in comparably sized regions to serve as a resource for partners looking to incorporate complete streets and transit-supportive design elements in transportation projects and in designs for their local land use development projects.

Task Tracker

Not started – 2%

On Track – 51%

Completed – 47%

Total: 51 high-priority tasks

About CSAP

The Complete Streets Action Plan (CSAP) is a coordinated effort led by the Director's Office of Sustainability, in partnership with Caltrans Headquarters' Divisions and Districts. The purpose of the CSAP is to identify key, high-priority efforts to implement the Director's Policy for Complete Streets (DP-37) over the next two years (Jan. 2022-Dec. 2023).

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