

Mathilda Bike Lane Study

Sunnyvale Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission

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Project Overview



SB Mathilda Avenue Bike Lane Study from US 101 SB Off-Ramp to Maude Avenue



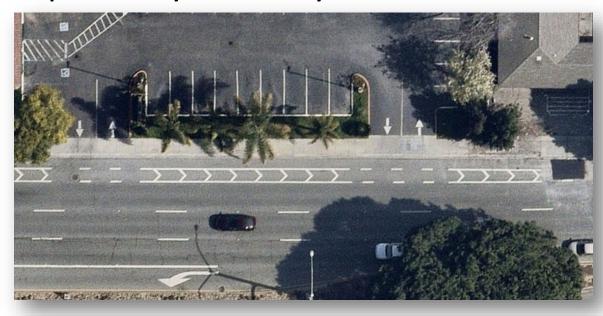
Project Limits Southbound Mathilda Ave. between SB US 101 Off-Ramp and Maude Ave.



Southbound Mathilda Ave.

Project Objectives

- Close a gap for bicyclists by installing new Class IIB buffered bike lane
 - Match existing Northbound configuration
 - Separate bicyclists from vehicular traffic
- Expand citywide bicycle network





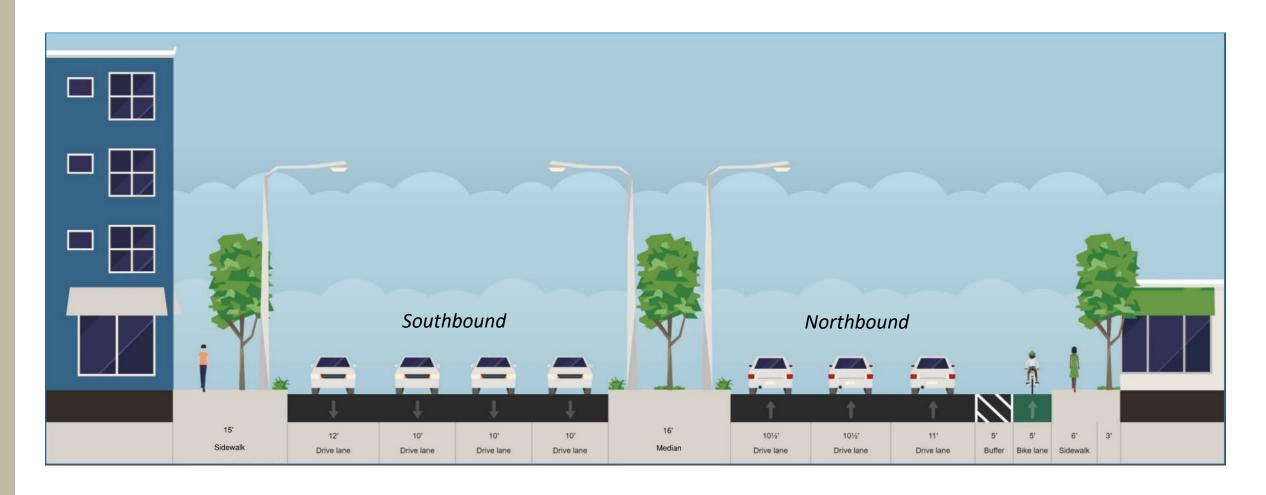
Project Background

- Sunnyvale Active Transportation Plan Identified road diet within project limits and installation of Class IIB buffered bike lane
- Valley Transportation Plan 2040 Call for Bike Lanes between US 101 and El Camino Real
- Sunnyvale Vizion Zero Plan Shows vehicular/bicycle collisions within studied segment; identifies Mathilda Ave. as high injury network
- Peery Park Specific Plan Calls for bicycle related facilities to improve connectivity

Project Timeline



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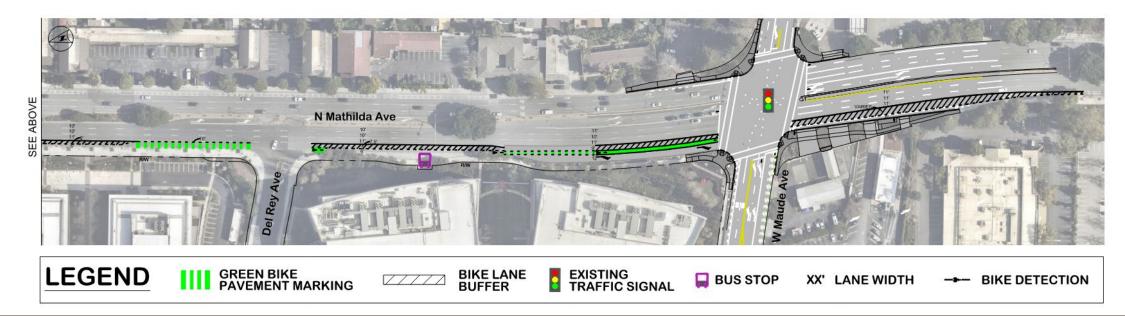


Southbound Mathilda Ave. – Four Vehicular Lanes

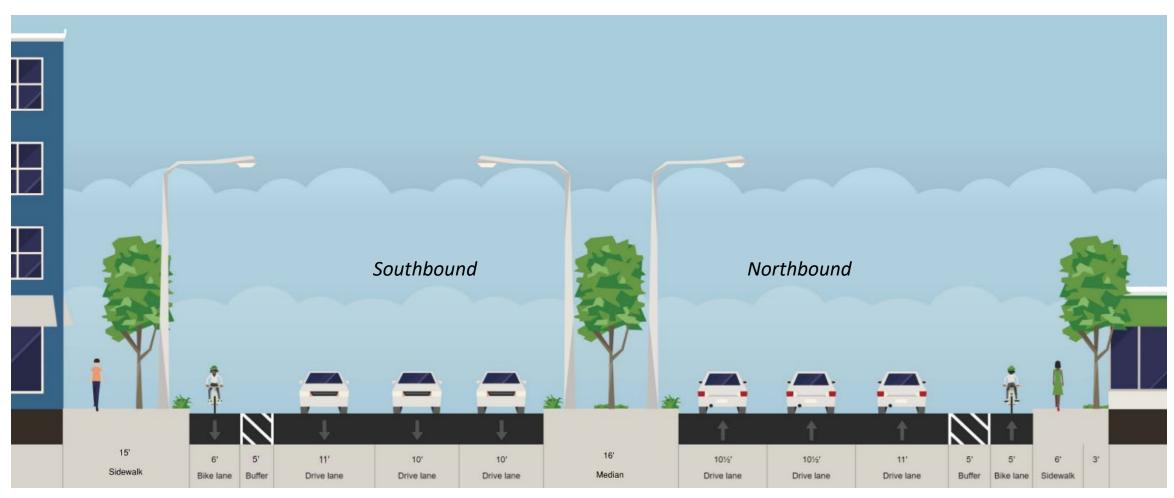
Northbound Mathilda Ave. Buffered Bike Lane

Proposed Concept Overview





Alternative 1: Class IIB Buffered Bicycle Lane



Proposed Cross-section between San Aleso Ave. and Del Rey Ave.

5-Year Collision Analysis (January 2019 – January 2024)



Vehicular Travel Time Comparison

Southbound Mathilda Ave. between SB US 101 Ramp and Maude Ave. (0.6 miles)

 Travel Time <u>does not</u> increase significantly with the proposed lane removal



^{*} Note: Total travel time includes signal delay in seconds

Community Engagement to Date



Pop-up tabling event at Plaza del Sol



Palm Card Distributed at Pop-up Meetings

City-hosted engagement opportunities:

- ✓ Two hybrid in-person/virtual community meetings (8/1/24 & 3/11/25)
- ✓ Presentations to BPAC (6/20/24)
- ✓ Two pop-up tabling activities
 - Plaza del Sol (2/27/25)
 - Sunnyvale Farmers Market (3/1/25)
- ✓ Online survey
- ✓ Second presentation to BPAC (7/17/25)

Promoted the following ways:

- Email notifications to project's subscription list
- √ 84 Postcards mailed in the project study area
- ✓ Palm cards handed out at tabling events
- ✓ Digital advertisement (e.g. Facebook and NextDoor)
- ✓ Digital signage along Mathilda Avenue.



Pop-up stand at historic Murphy Avenue



Deployed CMS sign

Online Survey Findings

- 94 respondents to the online survey
 - ◆ 30% live within 5 blocks of the project corridor
 - 70% drive solo or carpool when traveling along the corridor
 - 63 respondents said that the project would change how they travel in the area
 - 44 of them are currently driving, carpool, take transit, or walk

Cost Estimates

Alternative	Total Cost Estimate*
1 – Install New Class II Buffered Bike Lane	\$800,000
2 – Maintain Existing Conditions	\$0

^{*} Cost includes design, administration, and construction

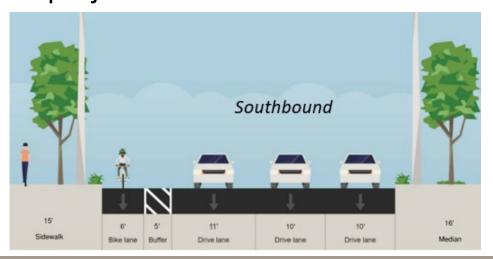


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Staff Recommendation

 Alternative 1: Recommend to City Council to approve the Design Alternative 1 to remove one southbound travel lane and install a Class IIB Buffered Bicycle Lane on southbound Mathilda Avenue between Ahwanee Avenue/Almanor Avenue and Maude Avenue, find that the action is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guideline Section 15301(c), and direct staff to include the proposed improvements as a future unfunded project.





Thank you!

