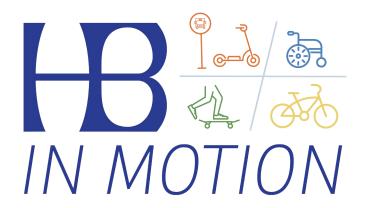
# HUNTINGTON BEACH MOBILITY IMPLEMENTATION PLAN (MIP) – HB IN MOTION COUNCIL BRIEFING

**SEPTEMBER 19, 2023** 



#### **AGENDA**

- 1. Discuss Public Feedback
- 2. Discuss Improvements
  - Bicycle Recommendations
  - Pedestrian Recommendations
  - Beach Path Recommendations
  - E-Bike Education and Enforcement Policy Recommendations



#### **PROJECT GOALS**

- Improve citywide bicycle and pedestrian network options and safety for all users
- Improve the comfort and design of the Beach Path for all users
- Build upon the City's long term mobility pedestrian, bicycle, and transit planning efforts

#### **GUIDING PRINCIPLES**

**Balance:** Balancing the best mobility interest of residents, visitors, and emergency services is critical for every vibrant city.

**Implementation lens:** Identify strategies and implementable system improvements that help facilitate a balanced and equitable transportation system our residents, businesses and visitors with spectrum of practical mobility options.

**Future proofing:** Where bike lanes were once occupied exclusively by people on bikes, they are now home to people riding electric scooters, motorized skateboards, and micromobility devices (with new devices being introduced regularly).



#### PROJECT TIMELINE

Project Website: <a href="https://www.hbmobility.com">www.hbmobility.com</a>

May 2022 - Present

Public Survey I

February 2022 - August 2022

Council Briefing / Study Session

August 2022

**Public Meeting** 

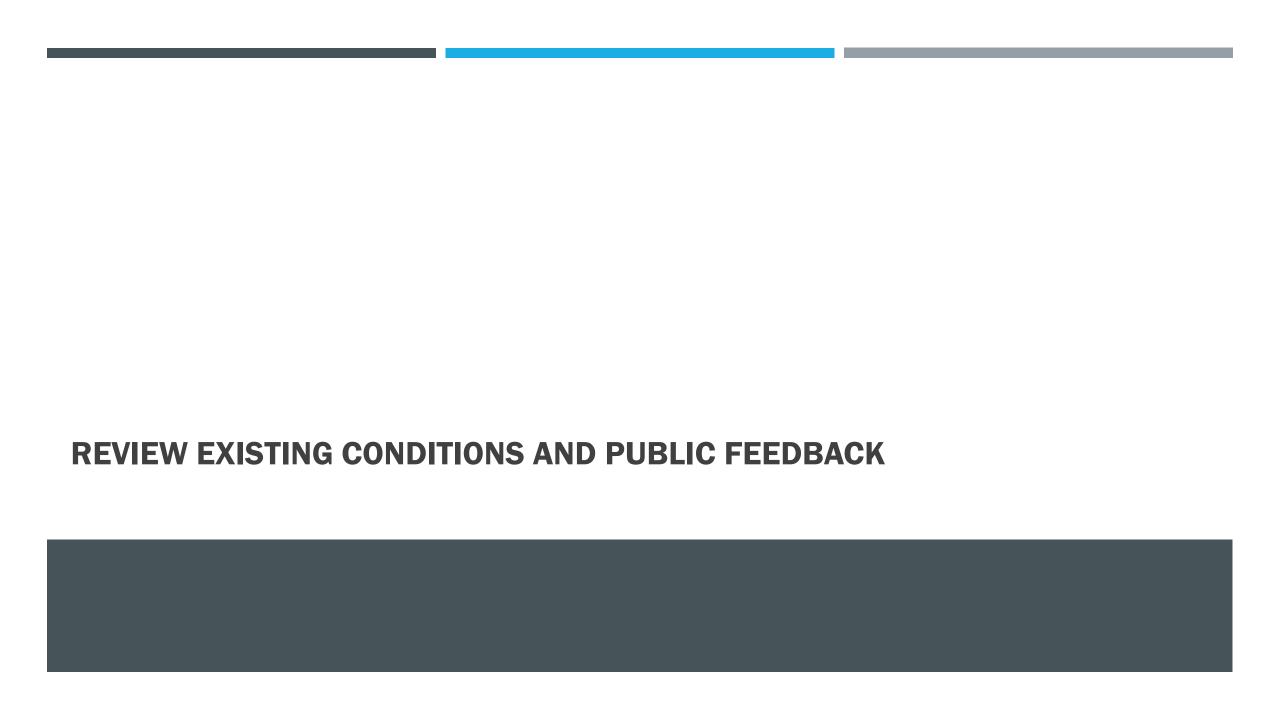
October 2022

Public Survey II

May 2023 - Present

Council Briefing / Study Session to discuss draft recommendations September 2023

Public Meeting to discuss draft recommendations Fall 2023



#### Phase I Survey Results

February 2022 – August 2022

#### **General Results**

- 860+ survey responses
- 93% of respondents live in HB
- Other than driving, respondents prefer to access destinations via active transportation
  - 81% prefer to bike
  - 74% prefer to walk
- Close split between pedestrian and biking on the Beach Path

#### Why it Matters

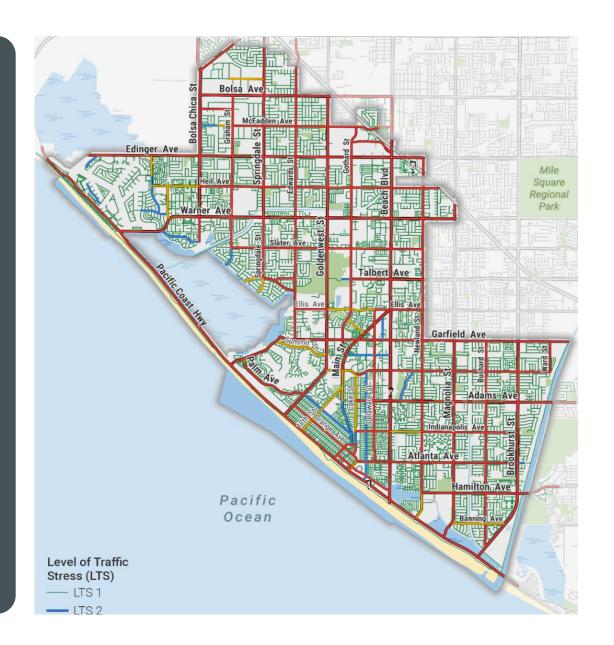
Strong understanding of broad community consensus for multiple categories

2. Besides driving, how do you prefer to access destinations in Huntington Beach? [Select all that apply]

Value	Percent	Responses
Transit	7.6%	29
Bike	81.4%	311
Scooter	3.7%	14
Walk	73.6%	281
Taxi/Uber	14.7%	56
None	2.6%	10

#### **Technical Analysis**

- Challenges at the arterials for bikes and pedestrians once they reach major intersections
- Need for a holistic network to bridge the gaps that are inhibiting
- 89% of intersections operate at LOS C or higher
- Opportunity to provide balance to allow for more mobility choice for residents and visitors



#### WHAT WE HEARD | PHASE II SURVEY

Demographics of respondents

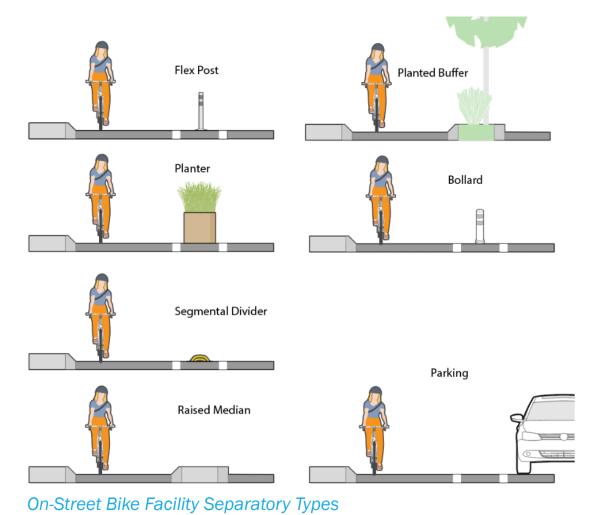
Value	Percent	Responses
Under 18	8.2%	34
18-25	4.1%	17
25-34	10.6%	44
35-44	19.2%	80
45-54	15.1%	63
55-64	23.3%	97
65+	19.7%	82

Totals: 417



#### WHAT WE HEARD | PHASE II SURVEY

- Other than driving, respondents prefer to access destinations via walking and bike / e-bike
- Beach Path Feedback
  - Very strong positive sentiment toward: separated beach path (81%), beach path ped crosswalk (78%), slow zones (70%)
  - Strong/moderate support for speed feedback signs (56%), 10 mph speed limit (54%)
- On-Street Bike Facilities
  - Top three preferred on-street bike facility types: separated bike lane (Delaware), Parking Protected Bike Lane (Springdale), and Buffer Bike Lane (Algonquin)
  - Top 3 separated bike lane separatory type: Planted Buffer, Planter, Raised Median



#### **WHAT WE HEARD**

Perception of E-Bike on Roadways

Value	Percent	Responses
I do not find them to be an issue	32.7%	105
I am neutral	21.5%	69
I find them to be an issue	45.8%	147
		Totals: 321

Key takeaways:

46% find e-bikes to be an issue 33% do not find e-bikes to be an issue

Perception of E-bikes on Beach Path

Value	Percent	Responses
I do not find them to be an issue	26.5%	85
I am neutral	20.6%	66
I find them to be an issue	53.0%	170

Totals: 321

Key takeaways:

**53**% find e-bikes to be an issue **27**% **do not** find e-bikes to be an issue

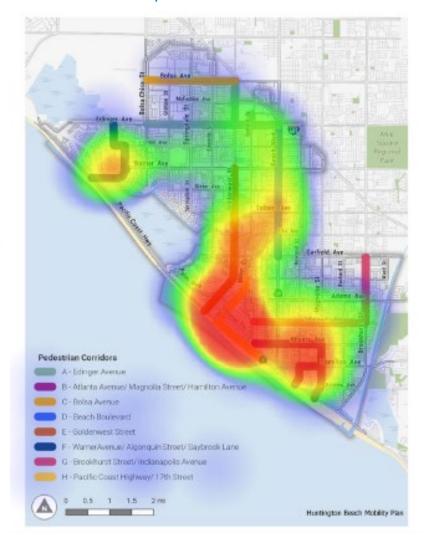
#### **WHAT WE HEARD**

Red indicates areas of Huntington Beach where improvements are needed the most based on respondent feedback

#### **Bikeway** Improvements



#### **Pedestrian** Improvements



#### WHAT WE ARE EXPERIENCING

**Reality of Conditions** 

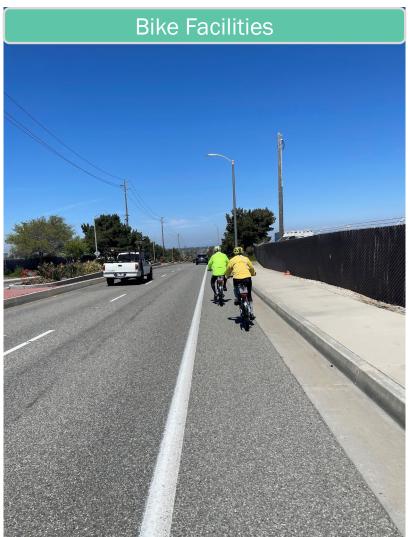
Family biking on Warner toward USPS

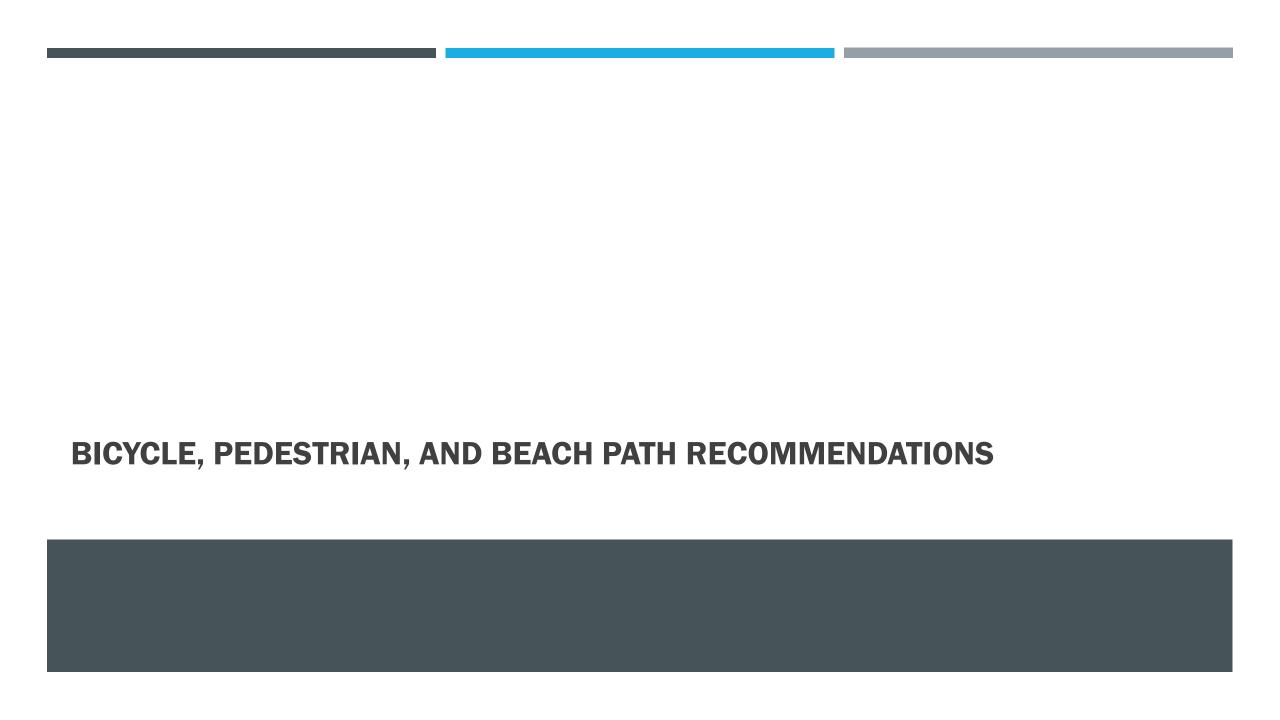
Older couple on e-bikes travel to/from errands

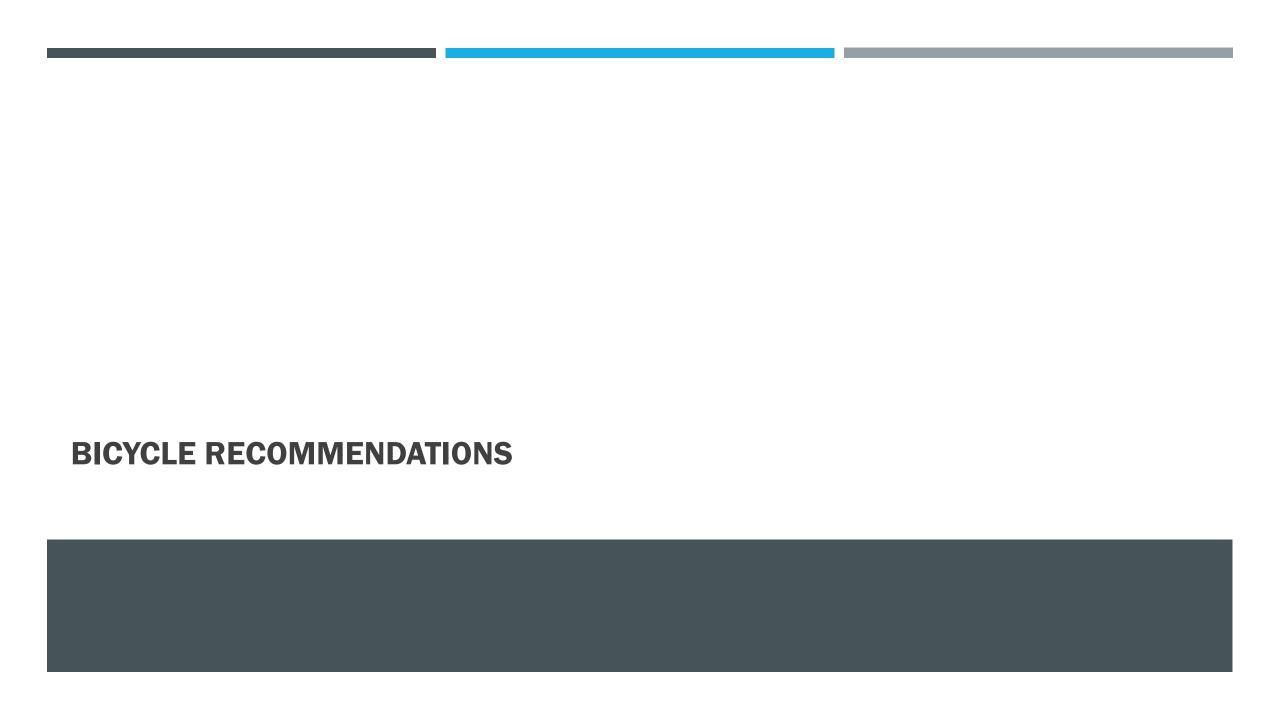
Youth on e-bikes; youth walking to/from school

Pedestrian + Bicyclist + Scooter conflicts on the beach path









#### **TOOLKIT**

**Toolkit Mobility Implementation Plan** 

**Bicycle Treatments** 

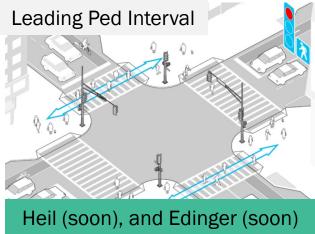
**Pedestrian Treatments** 

Beach Path Treatments

#### **TOOLKIT**

## Near Term "Low Hanging Fruit"

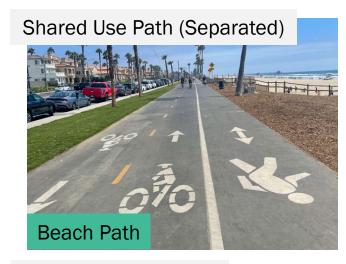








## Phasing Needed "Transformative"





#### **BICYCLE NETWORK**

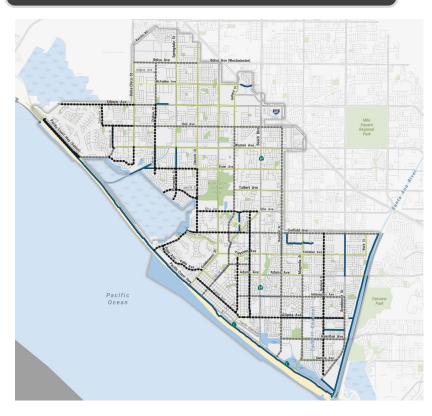
#### **Existing Network 2023**

## Pacific Ocean **Existing Bike Facilities** Conventional Bike Lane Separated Bikeway / Buffered Bike Lane

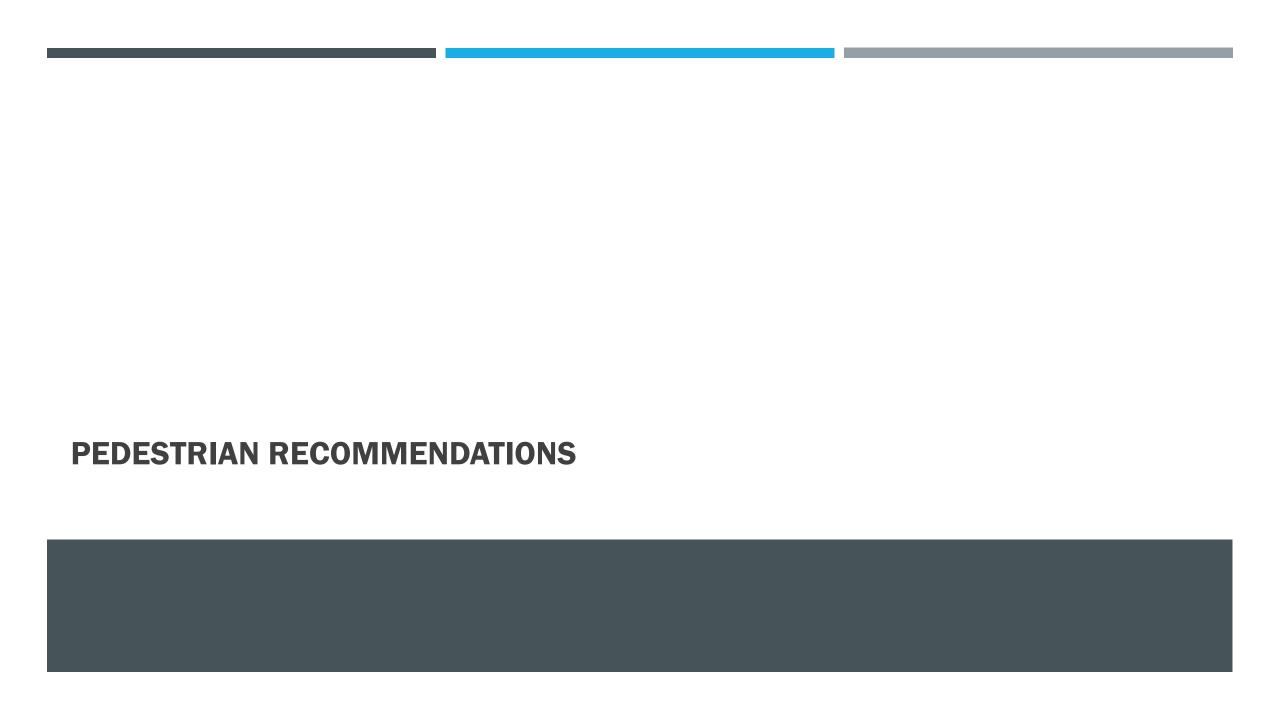
Phase 1 Focus Areas; 1 to 5 years



Phase 2 Focus Areas; 5 to 10 years



Data Source: Toole Design 2023; City GIS 2023



#### PEDESTRIAN FOCUS AREA IDENTIFICATION FACTORS

- 1. City Input: City-informed priority intersections and corridors
- 2. Crashes: Corridors with high bicycle and pedestrian collisions
- 3. Crossing Distance: Wide gaps between crossing opportunities
- 4. LTS: High pedestrian stress intersections
- 5. High Pedestrian Stress Corridor: High pedestrian stress corridors
- 6. Transit: High ridership transit stops
- 7. Population Density: Top percentile population density by census tract
- 8. Vulnerable Populations: Land use accessed by vulnerable populations (schools, senior centers, and parks)
- 9. Destinations: Popular destinations and generators (supermarkets and commercial land uses)

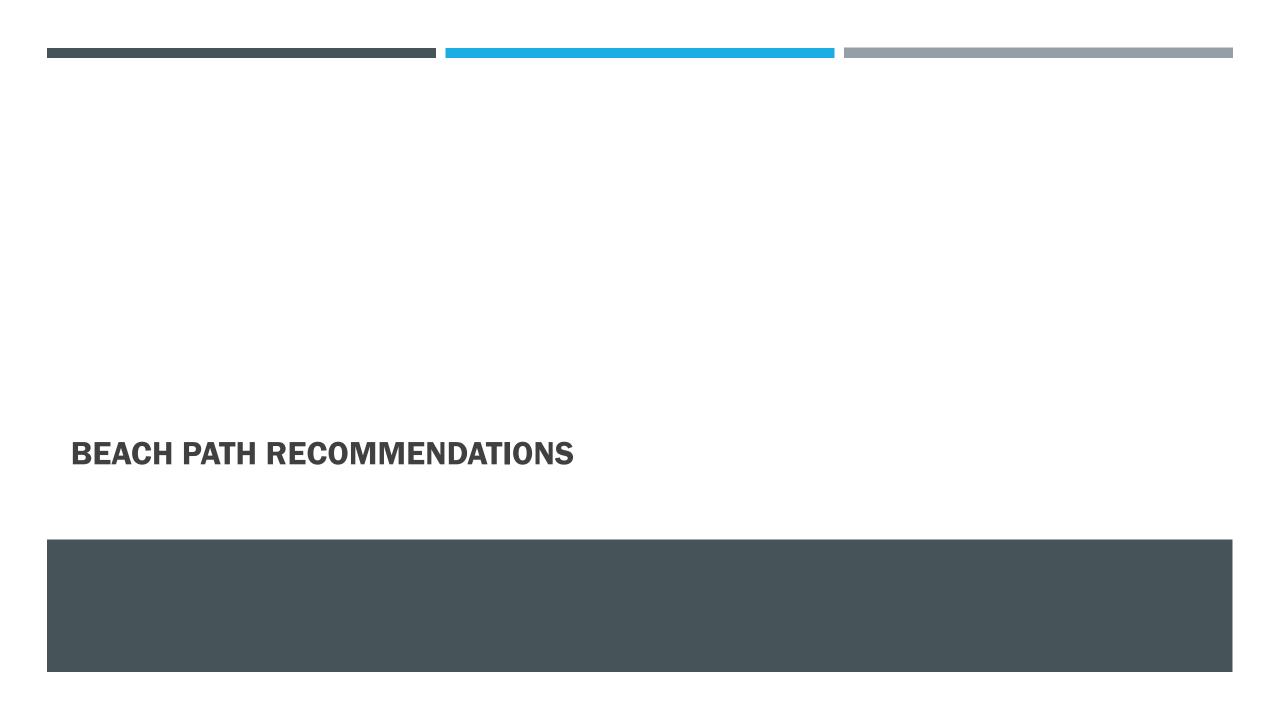


#### PEDESTRIAN FOCUS CORRIDORS

Corridor Grouping	Overlapping Factors
Atlanta / Magnolia / Hamilton*	Destinations, Vulnerable Populations, LTS
Algonquin / Warner / Saybrook*	LTS, Population Density, Crossing Distance
PCH / 17th	LTS, Population Density, Destinations, Transit
Edinger	High Pedestrian Stress Corridor, Crashes, Transit, LTS, Destination
Beach	Transit, Pedestrian High Stress Corridor, Crashes, Population Density, LTS
Goldenwest	High Pedestrian Stress Corridor, Vulnerable Populations, Destinations, Crossing Distance
Brookhurst / Indianapolis*	High Pedestrian Stress Corridor, Transit, Destinations, Population Density

<sup>\*</sup>Overlaps with bicycle corridor recommendations





#### **BEACH PATH NETWORK DEVELOPMENTS**

#### **Observations**

- Field Visits
- DataCollection

### Developments

- Speed Control
- User Space Separations





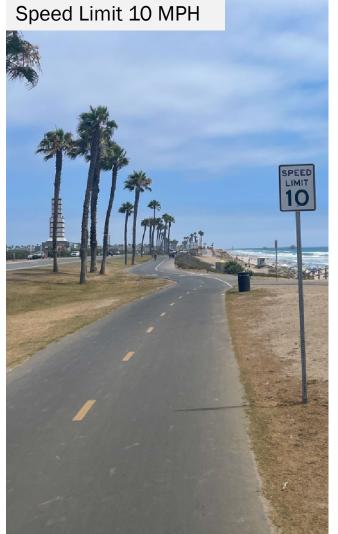


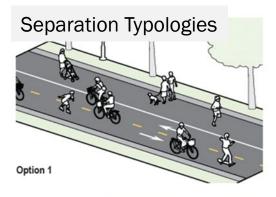
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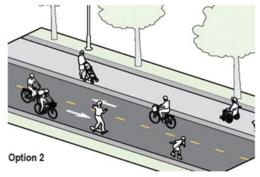


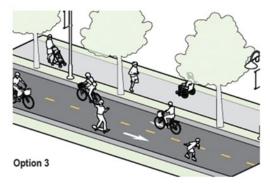


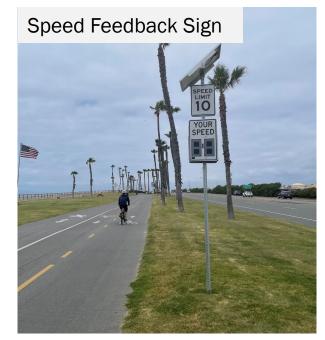


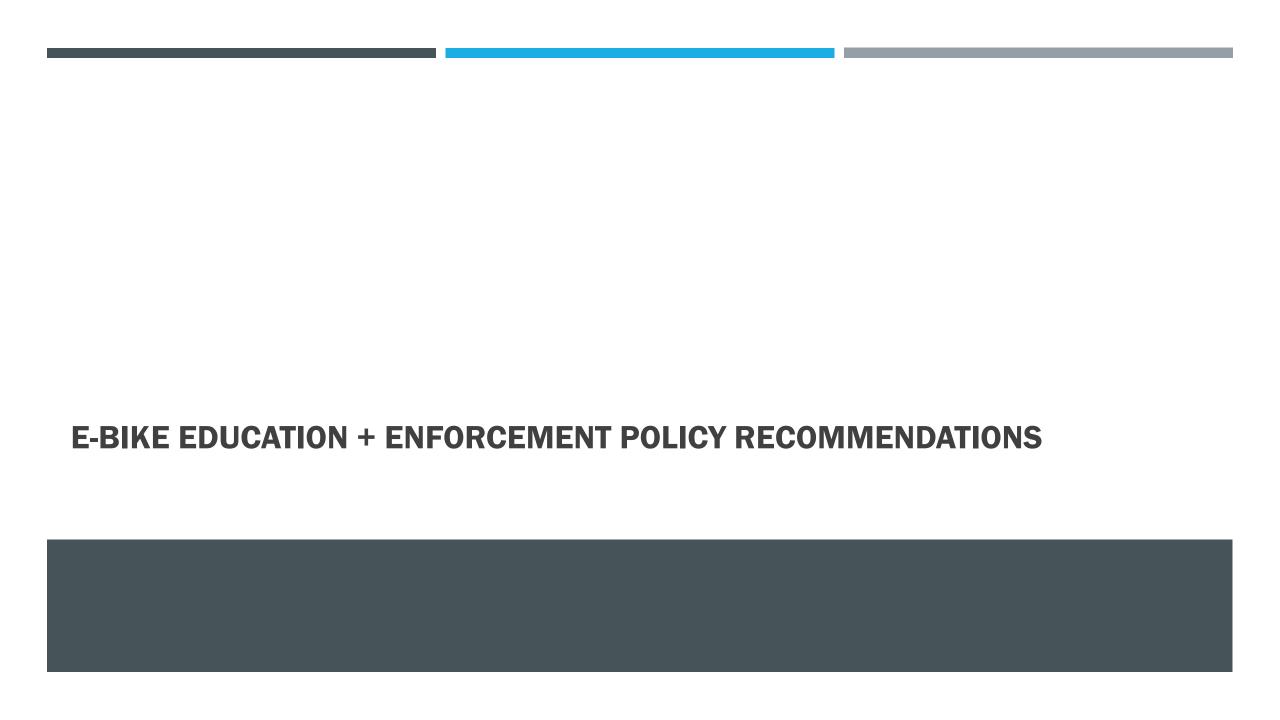












#### E-BIKE EDUCATION + ENFORCEMENT POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS

How can Huntington Beach **promote e-bike use** as a sustainable, safe mode of transportation **while mitigating safety risks** associated with bad behavior?

#### **Proposed Recommendations:**

- Clear Policy
- Safe and Future-Focused Bike Infrastructure and Signage
- Education
- Data Collection
- Regulation/Targeted Enforcement

#### **NEXT STEPS**

Council Briefing / Study Session to discuss draft recommendations

Public Meeting to discuss draft recommendations

**Adoption of Mobility Plan**