

# Active Transportation Program Update



# Existing Plans

- Completed Studies
  - Regional Bikeways Studies (2013-2015)
  - OC Loop 70/30 Plan (2015)
  - OC Active (2019)
  - Systemic Safety Plan (2019)
  - Orange County Active Transportation Counts Program Study (2019)
  - Safe Routes to School Action Plan (2021)



# Where We Are

## Orange County Bikeways

- Estimated existing bikeways mileage
  - Class I: 300 miles
  - Class II: 800 miles
  - Class III: 100 miles
  - Class IV: 4 miles

## OC Loop Status

- 66-mile loop 88% complete
  - Segments D, O, P & Q fully funded
  - Segments A & B, negotiating right-of-way and seeking right-of-way and construction funding
  - Segments L, M, T Caltrans facilities no work currently underway



# Outreach And Events

## Coordination

- E-bike
- Safe Routes to School
- Quarterly E-bike Meeting Series

## Bike to Work Day 2023

- May 18<sup>th</sup>
- Over 70 participants



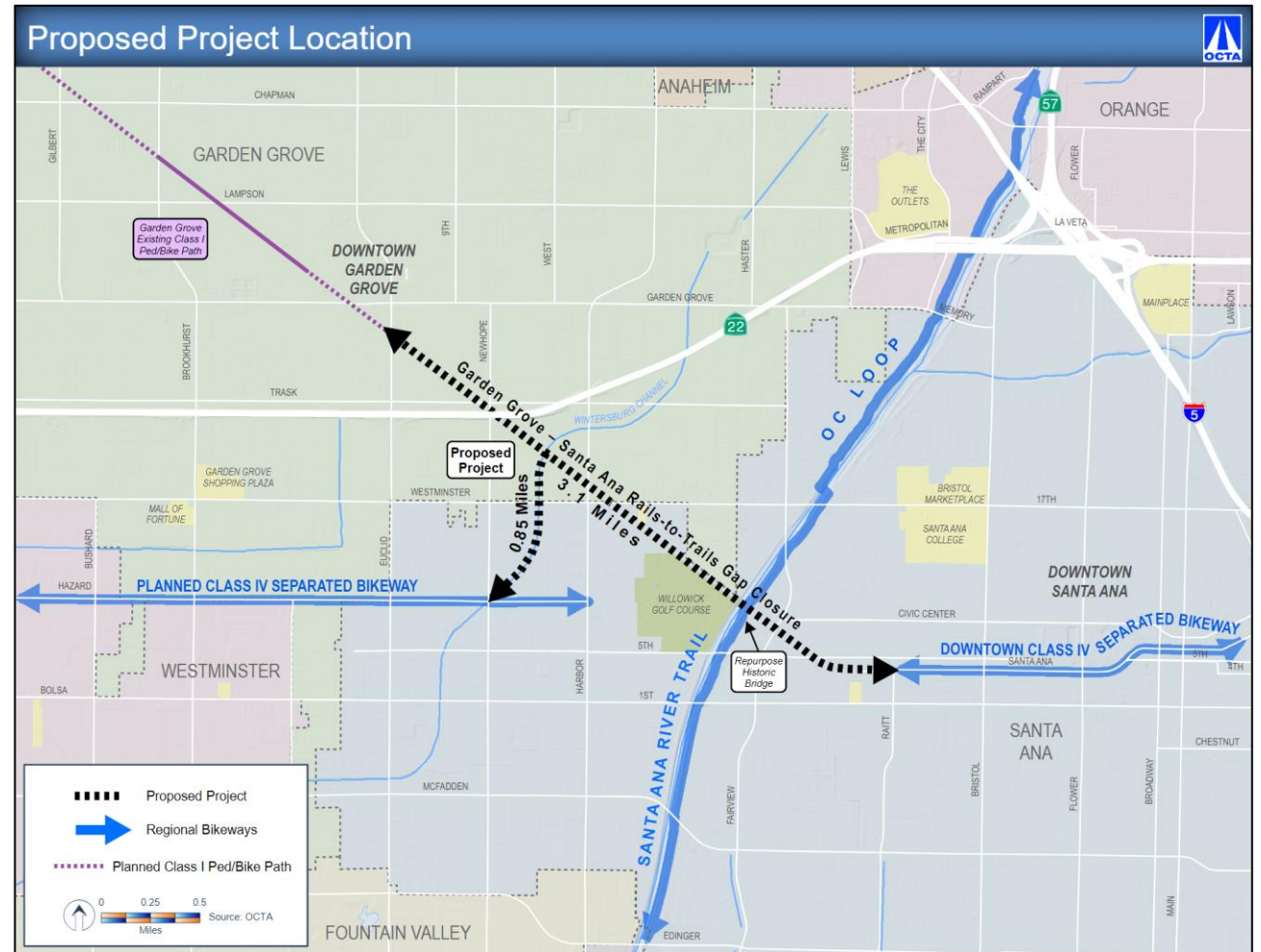
# Ongoing Projects

- STEP - \$500k delivering SRTS outreach and education at 25 schools serving DACs
- OC Loops - \$200k evaluating a Central, South, and Cross County Connector to complement OC Loop (North)
- Cyclic Counts - \$100k for 120 counts over 2 years (taking counts since 2019)
- Bus Stop Safety and Accessibility Study –\$300k evaluating 10 stops for safety/accessibility improvements



# 2023 Projects

- Garden Grove – Santa Ana Bikeway
  - \$3 million to complete the project approval/environmental document for a proposed bikeway on the PEROW between Raitt Street and Euclid Street as well as Wintersburg Channel
- E-bike Safety Study
  - \$200,000 to conduct a gap analysis and strategize approaches to e-bike safety at the local, regional, and state level



PEROW – Pacific Electric Right-of-Way

# Funding And Policy Shifts

## Funding

- OCTA's Complete Streets Grant
- Increases in active transportation and transit grants/funding
- Decreasing awards for freeways and road expansion

## Policy

- Increased focus on land-use/transportation nexus
- Context/ multimodal/Complete Streets focus
- Vehicle miles traveled/single-occupancy vehicle reduction



# Grant Applications / Project Pursuits

- Reconnecting Communities (\$550k)
- Complete Ramps (\$550k)
- Next STEP (\$850k)
- Next STEP 2.0 (\$1.25m)
- Bicycle Counts (\$400k)
- Bikeway Connectivity Study (\$500k)
- Active Transportation Education/Encouragement (\$400k)





# Next Steps

- Return to the Board with updates on active transportation efforts including:
  - Garden Grove – Santa Ana Rails to Trails, E-bike Safety Study, grant awards
  - Partnering with stakeholders
- Seek funding opportunities to support active transportation activities
  - Continue working with local agencies and community groups to advance active transportation measures for all Orange County residents