



PSAG MEETING NOTES

OCTA Commuter Bikeway Strategic Plan

May 29, 2008

2:00 pm

OCTA office

1. Overview of Commuter Bikeway Strategic Plan Update

The goals of the Commuter Bikeway Strategic Plan are to create a plan that accomplishes the following:

- Addresses all of the BTA (Bicycle Transportation Account) requirements to make all Orange County cities eligible for BTA funding
- Prepares jurisdictions to apply for OCTA Call for Projects funding
- Results in an overarching plan for the county that identifies gap areas (not specific streets) in the bikeways network and enables cities to coordinate with each other as they plan and build projects

2. Role of Public Stakeholders Advisory Group (PSAG)

The role of the PSAG is to:

- Help identify gaps and deficiencies in the bikeways network
- Bring a cyclists perspective to the planning process
- Help get the word out about the public workshop and planning process

3. Questions/Comments

The main discussion focused on how OCTA and the Commuter Bikeway Strategic Plan Update can encourage cities to follow through on filling in bikeways gaps within their boundaries. Rather than telling cities what to do, OCTA expressed its approach as creating a plan that clearly identifies deficient areas so they, and other bicycle advocates, can work with cities to determine the best solutions. Meeting participants stressed that this plan should push the envelope on getting cities to follow through, given increasing interest and understanding of bikeways.

4. Public Workshop Planning

- **Format and Content:** The workshop will be an interactive format with various stations that participants can visit and share their input. The stations will include information and opportunities for input on the following subjects: purpose of the plan, safety, bicycle commuting, bikeway network gaps, innovative bicycle programs and facilities. Bicycle clubs/organizations will have tables to display their information.
- **Outreach Strategy:** As much as possible the outreach and public workshop itself will coordinate with standing cycling groups and their events. Printable information about the plan update and public workshop will be created during the first week of June and distributed at the events of various groups leading up to the public workshop.
- **Date, Time, and Location:** The tentative date for the public workshop is July 12 from 10 – 1 pm at OCTA. The idea is to have various groups visit the public workshop as a stop along their typical Saturday bicycle rides.

5. Next Steps/Assign Tasks (ACTION ITEMS)

- OCTA and Alta will confirm the public workshop date and location
- Alta will send out printable information on the plan update and public workshop during the first week of June.
- Alta will prepare a detailed list of action items regarding the preparation of the workshop

6. Next PSAG Meeting

Will take place after the public workshop, likely during the last half of July.

The next meeting will likely take place in the evening.