

# AQUATIC PARK



## Aquatic Park Connection Streetscape Improvement Project

North County

Not far from Berkeley's Fourth Street Shopping District the City of Berkeley's only Amtrak stop, its largest municipal park (Aquatic Park), and its only Bicycle/Pedestrian bridge offering dedicated access over Interstate 80, leading to newly developed and developing trails in Eastshore State Park and the Bay Trail. Navigating between these destinations can be confusing, and sometimes feel unsafe. The City of Berkeley's Redevelopment Agency is tackling this problem by constructing streetscape improvements along five blocks in West Berkeley that form bicycle and pedestrian connections between these waterfront, retail and transit areas.

This ACTIA grant-funded project is one component of this larger streetscape project. The project includes the installation of wayfinding signs and maps to direct pedestrian and bicyclists between the Fourth Street shopping district, AMTRAK, Aquatic Park, and the Bicycle/Pedestrian bridge over Interstate 80. Additionally, eight electronic bicycle lockers will be placed at the Berkeley AMTRAK Station to improve bicycle parking security.

### PROJECT BENEFITS:

The new wayfinding signs and secure bicycle lockers will encourage expanded use of Amtrak. The new signs, and the sidewalk improvements that are part of the larger project, will improve access to and between the commercial and regional park destinations.

### PROJECT STATUS:

A large wayfinding map and the electronic bicycle lockers have been installed at the rail stop. The Project Sponsor will complete wayfinding signs in fall 2009 and the streetscape improvements by September 2010.

To find out more about this project, please contact the Project Sponsor.

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### Project Budget and Funding

**TOTAL PROJECT COST**                      **\$1,225,000**

#### Funding

ACTIA Bike/Ped Grant Award                      \$65,000

Matching Funds                                      \$1,160,000

#### Source:

Local Funds    \$1,160,000



### Project Schedule

Commence ACTIA Grant (Cycle 3)	July 1, 2007
Present Right of Way Certification	June 2007
Complete Detailed Design (Final PS&E)	June 2009
Advertise Construction	July 2009
Begin Construction of Overall Streetscape Project	December 2009
Complete Construction of Overall Streetscape Project	September 2010
Complete Grant Funding Period	September 30, 2010

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## Alameda County

**A**lameda County's half-cent transportation sales tax, known as Measure B, will generate more than \$3 billion over 20 years for transportation improvements in Alameda County. Over **\$80 million** is dedicated to **bicycle and pedestrian safety and access**. In voting for Measure B, which dedicated 5 percent of the sales tax revenue to bicycle and pedestrian projects and programs, Alameda County residents voiced their support for these time-honored modes of travel.

Measure B has transformed the way bicycle and pedestrian projects are financed in Alameda County by providing each city and the County with a steady, flexible stream of funding for making walking and biking improvements. The funds are being used to maintain facilities, close gaps and construct new facilities such as bike lanes and pedestrian crossings.

The Measure B bicycle and pedestrian funds are distributed in two ways. Seventy-five percent of the funds go directly to Alameda County cities and the County based on population. The remaining 25 percent funds countywide programs and projects, including a competitive grant program called the Measure B Bicycle and Pedestrian Countywide Discretionary Fund and a Countywide Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator. To date, ACTIA's grant program has funded 29 capital projects, programs and master plans totaling \$5.5 million. Three grant cycles have been completed, and the next one will be finished in spring 2009.



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### Bicycle and Pedestrian Grant Program - Active Projects

Location*	Project	Sponsor	Grant Cycle	Measure B Funding Amount	Total Project Cost
N, C, E	BART Station Electronic Bicycle Lockers	BART	2	\$174,000	\$232,000
C	San Leandro Bay Trail Slough Bridge	City of San Leandro	1 + 3	\$1,000,000	\$3,600,000
E	Alamo Canal Trail Undercrossing of I-580: PS & E	East Bay Regional Park District	3	\$235,000	\$335,000
E	Iron Horse Trail Feasibility and Engineering Study	City of Livermore	3	\$70,000	\$168,000
E	Pleasanton Pedestrian & Bicycle Master Plan	City of Pleasanton	3	\$111,000	\$111,000
N	Alameda - Oakland Estuary Crossing Feasibility Study	City of Alameda	3	\$100,000	\$410,797
N	Aquatic Park Connection Streetscape Improvement Project	Berkeley Redevelopment Agency	3	\$65,000	\$1,225,000
N	Ashby BART/Ed Roberts Pedestrian and Bicycle Access and Safety Project	City of Berkeley	3	\$136,000	\$7,050,000
N	Buchanan Bicycle/Pedestrian Path	City of Albany	3	\$266,000	\$300,000
N	MacArthur Transit Hub Streetscape Improvement Project	City of Oakland	3	\$215,000	\$2,823,000
N	Travel Choice - Berkeley	City of Berkeley	3	\$190,000	\$637,000
N, C, S	Bicycle Racks for New Buses	AC Transit	3	\$20,000	\$120,000
N, C, S	Union Pacific RR Corridor Improvement Plan	Alameda County Public Works Agency	3	\$75,000	\$150,000
CW	Bicycle Safety Education Classes	East Bay Bicycle Coalition	3	\$38,000	\$41,250
CW	Safe Routes to Schools Alameda County Partnership	TransForm	3	\$729,000	\$1,270,480

\*C = Central, CW = Countywide, E = East, N = North, S = South

**Total**

**\$3,424,000**

**\$18,473,527**



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