

OC LOOPS BIKE GAP CLOSURE STUDY



AT A GLANCE

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OVERVIEW

The Orange County Loops vision is to create seamless connections for people to bike, walk and connect to some of California's most scenic beaches and inland reaches. With significant progress made in north Orange County (OC North Loop), OC Loops is now looking to create regional bikeway networks across the central and south Orange County communities through the Bike Gap Closure Feasibility Study (Study). The Study will focus on addressing the needs and abilities of cyclists of all ages and backgrounds. Based on recent agency efforts and prior feasibility analysis, study segments will be identified and recommended to local agencies for analysis. The final report will include concepts and cost estimates for bikeways needed to complete unfinished loop segments and will position local agencies to pursue funding for project completion.

The Study will evaluate enhancement opportunities and provide a framework of actionable next steps to implement higher-comfort facilities for cyclists of all ages and abilities on three key bikeways: OC Central Loop, OC South Loop, and a cross-county connector branded as OC Connect. The bikeways can be viewed on the map on page 2.

BACKGROUND

The Study will build upon and update previous regional studies that were completed between 2012 and 2016, including the OC Loop Gap Feasibility Study, which envisioned a seamless 66-mile bikeway in the northern area of the County, now known as the OC North Loop. The North Loop has currently achieved an 88% completion rate and has improved the quality of life for thousands of residents. The OC North Loop will serve as a guide for implementing high-quality bikeways countywide.

SCHEDULE

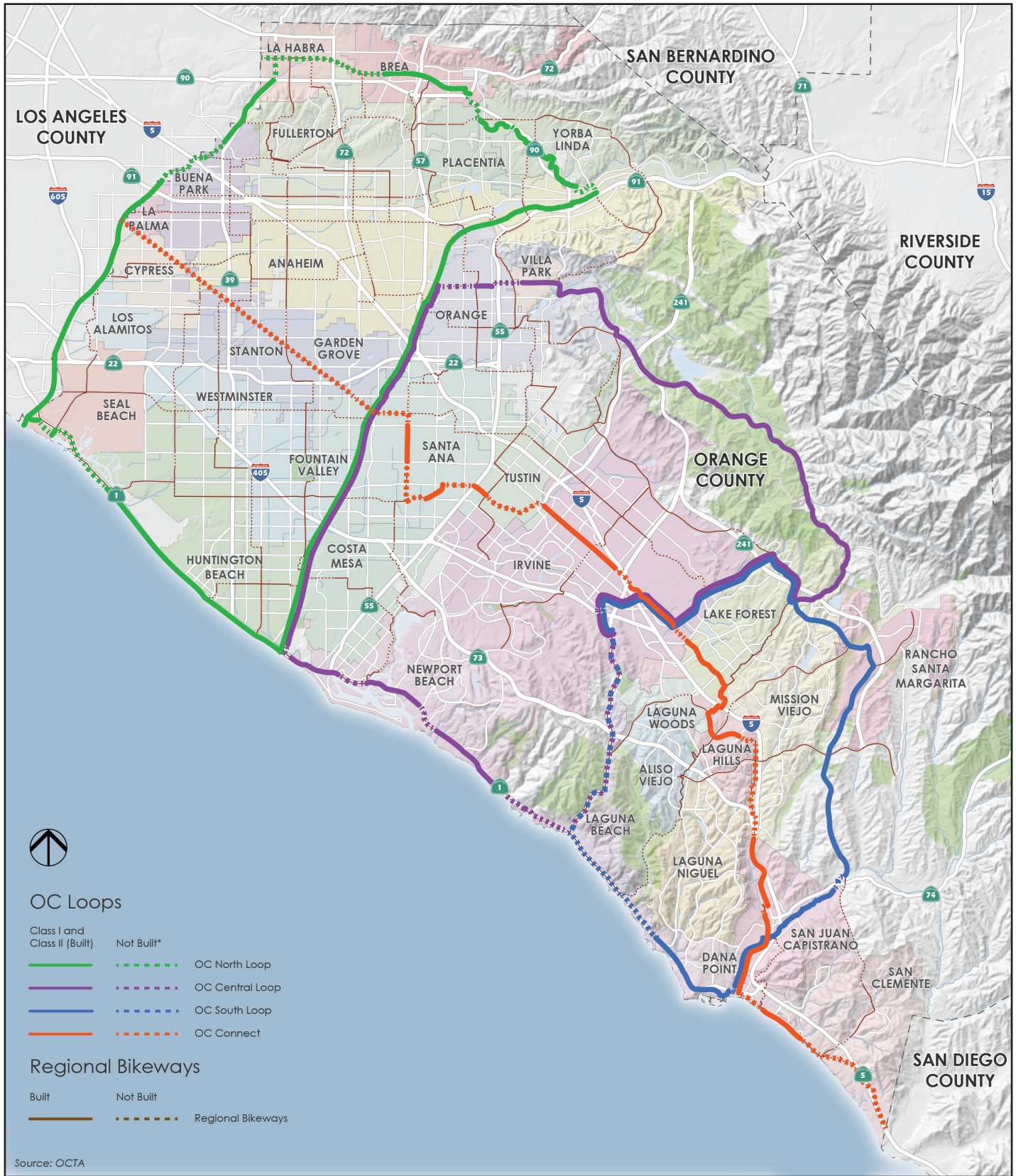
MILESTONES	APPROXIMATE TIMELINE
Initial OC Loops Assessment	April 2021
Public Engagement	Fall 2021-Spring 2022
Develop Gap Closure Recommendations	Spring 2022
Final OC Loops Strategy and Report	Summer 2022

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