

OCTA Bikeways Action Plan

Input received during the outreach process indicated that OCTA needed to clearly establish its roles and responsibilities regarding bikeway planning in Orange County. The following Action Plan identifies the tasks OCTA will undertake to ensure the implementation of the CBSP, as well as OCTA's support for bicycle commuting:

Improve the regional bikeways network

- Provide funding, when feasible, for capital bikeway improvements through a competitive call-for-projects
- Support efforts by local jurisdictions to seek funding, such as state Bicycle Transportation Account funds
- Promote that local jurisdictions to emphasize their consideration of bicyclists within environmental and planning documents

External coordination

- Designate an OCTA bicycle coordinator
- Maintain the countywide bicycle transportation plan, ensure it remains compliant with the Bicycle Transportation Account requirements, and make it available for adoption by local jurisdictions
- Facilitate bikeway planning coordination efforts between jurisdictions and other involved entities
- Encourage local jurisdictions to coordinate local planning efforts with the CBSP
- Encourage each local jurisdiction to designate a bicycle coordinator
- Update and work with bicycle coordinators, Employee Transportation Coordinators, and other stakeholders, on issues relating to bicycling, such as funding opportunities
- Provide technical support to local jurisdictions

Internal coordination

- Ensure that the needs for bicyclists and bikeways are considered in the development of projects and programs within OCTA
- Plan and participate in events that promote bicycling, such as Bike-to-Work Week and Rideshare Week
- Provide bikeway outreach and support through internet resources, including a countywide commuter bikeways map
- Communicate with OCTA committees as necessary

Address the regional priorities

- Lead the implementation efforts of projects within OCTA owned rights-of-way
- Review development plans and environmental documents and provide comments, 1) to ensure that developers and local jurisdictions are complying with the CBSP, and 2) to encourage these entities to add local supplemental routes that may not be on the regional bikeways plan, but would enhance the overall connectivity of the bikeway system.
- Advise local jurisdictions to submit projects that address the regional priorities when state or federal funds become available
- Provide incentives to local jurisdictions for submitting projects that address the regional priorities during calls-for-projects for funds controlled by OCTA