



SR 15 COMMUTER BIKEWAY FACT SHEET



Overview

The State Route 15 (SR 15) Commuter Bikeway will provide a safe and direct bike route connecting the communities in the Mid-City area of the City of San Diego with the major retail, commercial, education, and entertainment destinations in the city's Mission Valley area. This Class I bikeway, which will be separated from vehicle traffic, will extend from Adams Avenue along a one-mile segment of northbound SR 15 to Camino Del Rio South.

The facility will be 12-foot wide, paved, and striped to provide two-way travel. It will be separated from the freeway shoulder by a concrete barrier. There will be locations where wider paved sections will be provided to accommodate resting or passing bike riders. Lighting will be provided along the bikeway.

Goals

- » Increase the safety and mobility of non-motorized commuters
- » Increase transportation choices and support a balanced regional transportation system

- » Promote an active, and more sustainable lifestyle

The Need

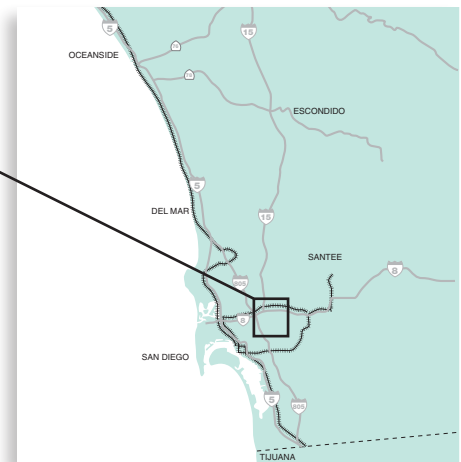
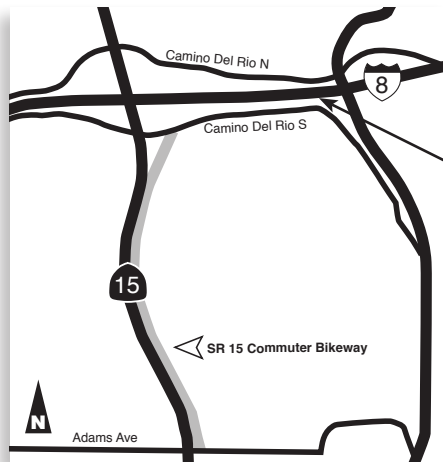
Currently, the only bike routes between Mid-City and Mission Valley are Fairmount Avenue, which has high-speed traffic conflicts, and Texas Street, which has high-speed traffic conflicts and a very steep, sustained grade. Neither route provides a convenient link for bicycle commuters between Mid-City and Mission Valley, and both routes result in several miles of additional travel.

The SR 15 Commuter Bikeway is rated a high priority project in the regional bike network established with the adoption of Riding to 2050, the San Diego Regional Bike Plan. This plan was adopted by the SANDAG Board of Directors in May 2010 and subsequently incorporated into the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy (2050 RTP/SCS) in October 2011. The project also is included in the City of San Diego Bicycle Master Plan and the Mid-City Communities Plan.

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Texas Street - Looking south at northbound Texas Street near Camino del Rio South.



Fairmount Avenue - Looking north on Fairmount Avenue where the westbound Montezuma Road ramp merges onto northbound Fairmount Avenue, showing high-speed traffic conflicts as vehicles travel through the path of bike riders.

Project Status

The project received environmental clearance in June 2012. The design was finalized in early 2015, and construction is anticipated to begin in fall 2015. The bikeway is expected to be open in early 2017.

Project Funding

The total cost of the project is estimated to be approximately \$14 million. The environmental and design phases were funded by the regional *TransNet* half-cent sales tax for transportation administered by SANDAG. Construction will be funded by the state and federal Active Transportation Program, as well as *TransNet*.

For More Information

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