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STREET LIGHTS

Illuminating Implementation and Equity in Complete Streets

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CONFERENCE AGENDA - Last Updated 10/28

7:30 AM Registration and Breakfast

- Elks Tower Sacramento, 921 11th St #210, Sacramento, CA 95814

8:30 AM Opening Remarks: Transformation in Transportation

- Emiko Atherton, Director, National Complete Streets Coalition
- Barbara McCann, Director, Office of Safety, Energy and Environment, U.S. Department of Transportation
- Richard Weaver, Director, Planning, Policy & Sustainability, American Public Transportation Association

9:00 AM Plenary: Equity, Implementation, and Complete Streets in California

Complete Streets should be planned, designed, operated, and maintained to be safe and comfortable for everyone, regardless of age, ability, ethnicity, income, or chosen travel mode. However, creating safe streets for all requires concerted efforts to ensure transportation investments reach those most in need and involve the input of all community members. This plenary will highlight examples of how leaders and communities in California are implementing Complete Streets and creating active transportation networks that integrate social and health equity goals.

Moderated by Craig Martinez, Program Manager, The California Endowment

- Kome Ajise, Chief Deputy Director, California Department of Transportation
- Tamika Butler, Executive Director, Los Angeles County Bicycle Coalition
- Robert Sanchez, Transportation Engineering Associate, Los Angeles Department of Transportation

10:15 AM Break

10:45 AM From the States to the Streets: How States are Working with Communities to Support Complete Streets

State departments of transportation have taken great leadership to transform the way they approach transportation to accommodate all users and modes. Hear how three states have prioritized Complete Streets and how they are changing culture at all levels of planning.

Moderated by Beth Osborne, Senior Policy Advisor, Transportation for America

- Charles Barnby, Transportation Planner, City of Lakeland, FL
- Eileen Gunn, Complete Streets Program Administrator and Program Manager, Environmental Division, Massachusetts Department of Transportation
- Brice Maryman, Senior Landscape Architect, MIG | SvR

12:15 PM Networking Lunch

1:30 PM Breakout One

Complete Streets Implementation Panel Discussion

Whether it is Complete Streets design guidelines that show practitioners the techniques and standards for retrofitting a dying corridor or providing the right resources for finding moneys to build it, there are a variety of tools available to get the job done. Come interact (using Push Button technology) with national panel experts to discuss and learn what's being done today to move these great ideas through construction.

This session will focus on the planning and design process through a discussion of "what if" scenarios. Discover case studies, design process/trade-offs, success stories, and learn about financial resources to find money and bring success to local communities.

Moderated by Mike Rutkowski, Principal, Stantec

- Tim Griffin, Senior Research Fellow, Minnesota Design Center at the University of Minnesota
- Scott Lane, Senior Transportation Planner, Stantec
- Dean Ledbetter, Senior Planning Engineer, North Carolina Department of Transportation

Jurisdiction: Translating Complete Streets Policies and Practices Through All Levels of Government

Street jurisdiction is a complicated issue. In any given community, streets may be owned by the city, the county, the state, or private interests. Sidewalk repair and maintenance may be the responsibility of the government, the property owner, or shared between the two. None of this, of course, matters to the street user. The street user neither knows nor cares which street is owned by whom. All they know is that their network is broken and incomplete.

This session will convene leaders from the state, county, and municipal levels together with advocates and users to discuss how to address the missing middle of Complete Streets policies, how to ensure policies at the state level are not "lost in translation" at lower levels of government, and how to facilitate the complete network users desire.

Moderated by Drusilla van Hengel, Principal, Nelson\Nygaard

- Tom Biesiadny, Director, Fairfax County, VA Department of Transportation
- Tilly Chang, Executive Director, San Francisco County Transportation Authority
- Kate White, Deputy Secretary for Environmental Policy and Housing Coordination, California State Transportation Agency

Stories from the Streets

To implement and realize safe streets for all, communities and governments must work together. This session will highlight stories from the streets of cities that have integrated Complete Streets into their transportation plans by involving the community and focusing on equity.

Moderated by Sara Zimmerman, Technical Assistance Director, Safe Routes to School National Partnership

- Aiditi Kambuj, Urban Design and Planning Strategic Advisor, Seattle Department of Transportation
- Dean Porter-Nelson, Program Officer, Enterprise Community Partners

3:00 PM Break

3:30 PM Breakout Two

Social Equity in Complete Streets

Complete Streets aim to serve all people safely. In order to achieve social equity, transportation systems need to be planned and designed to serve all users, including diverse communities and people of all ages and abilities. As places become more accessible they become more attractive; how does revitalization and displacement work within the social equity equation?

Hear about the social value of the Complete Streets approach in the implementation of transportation infrastructure and programs.

Moderated by Margaret Kubilins, Traffic Engineering Manager, VHB

- Charles Brown, Senior Researcher, Voorhees Transportation Center at Rutgers University
- Naomi Doerner, Principal Planner, Equity Strategist, Assembly
- Max Podemski, Planning Director, Pacoima Beautiful
- Stephanie Ramirez, Associate State Director of Advocacy, AARP California

Complete Streets and Design Guidelines: What Does the Future Hold?

Street and highway design guidance for achieving true multimodal mobility and safety has come a long way in the past few years—and even more change is in the works. Listen to representatives of the agencies and organizations that are responsible for today's leading national design guidance as they discuss evolution in their current design guidance and plans for future additions and enhancements to these critical tools necessary to implement Complete Streets on all levels of our transportation network.

Moderated by Marshall Elizer, Senior Vice President, Transportation Division, Gresham, Smith and Partners

- Jim Daisa, representing the Institute of Transportation Engineers, Principal Author of Designing Walkable Urban Thoroughfares
- Keith Harrison, Safety and Design Engineer, Federal Highway Administration
- Corinne Kisner, Director of Policy and Special Projects, National Association of City Transportation Officials
- Joyce Noel Taylor, Chief Engineer, Maine Department of Transportation, Vice-Chair, American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials Subcommittee on Design

Complete Streets, Complete Health

How can public health people can be part of the Complete Streets discussion in a meaningful way, moving beyond being advocates to being implementers? The connection between transportation and health is now well-documented. But, will the built environment be ready to receive the increased use of active transportation and the growing interest in being physically active? Answering “yes” to this question relies on a fundamental organizational change that establishes the connection between the work of public health and transportation as a business practice.

Learn from national health experts about their work, then see how the Ohio Department of Health and Department of Transportation have forged an alliance.

Moderated by Margo Younger, Public Health Analyst, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

- Matt Carpenter, Director, Transportation Services, Sacramento Area Council of Governments
- Ashley Davis, Creating Healthy Communities Program Manager, Ohio Department of Health
- Julie Walcott, Bike/Ped Program Manager, Ohio Department of Transportation

5:00 PM Closing Remarks

- Emiko Atherton, Director, National Complete Streets Coalition
- Charles Brown, Senior Researcher, Voorhees Transportation Center at Rutgers University

6:00 PM Reception

- *Lucca Restaurant & Bar, 615 J Street, Sacramento CA 95814*

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