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Truck Routes:

Evaluate the feasibility and potential effectiveness of establishing truck routes to lessen traffic congestion and to reduce damage to roadways, and, if feasible, adopt designated truck routes, establish a program to upgrade truck route roadways, and prohibit truck traffic on non-truck-route roads.

Actions

4.1 Define the challenge and intended outcome

By invitation of the Bloomington MAC, the Department of Public Works will describe planned roadway projects in Bloomington and how these are intended to address traffic and related issues. The public will have the opportunity to identify local issues with truck through-traffic.

Champion: Bloomington MAC with support from the Department of Public Works

Time Required: 1 month

Budgeted Cost: No new additional cost; use of existing budgeted funds

4.2 Prepare a truck route plan

The Department of Public Works will evaluate the feasibility and effectiveness of potential truck routes in Bloomington. The results will be presented at a Bloomington MAC meeting. Additionally, the Supervisor's office will present information on possible funding mechanisms.

Champion: Department of Public Works (with support from the Bloomington MAC and Special Districts)

Time Required: 6-12 months

Estimated Cost: \$25,000, as fund are available

4.3 Develop community consensus and strategy

The Department of Public Works will facilitate a community workshop on ways to fund truck routes and other roadway improvements in Bloomington, including likely costs for industrial and/or other property owners. The purpose of the workshop is to generate community consensus on a preferred funding mechanism and identify next steps.

Champion: Department of Public Works (with support from the Bloomington MAC)

Time Required: 1 month

Estimated Cost: No new additional cost; use of existing budgeted funds

4.4 Establish truck routes

If the community workshop determines that truck routes could lessen traffic congestion and/or reduce damage to roadways, the Department of Public Works will collaborate with appropriate agencies to finalize truck routes

through Bloomington. If truck routes are to be established, the Board of Supervisors may consider an ordinance to codify where truck routes are in Bloomington and notify the California Highway Patrol.

Champion: Department of Public Works

Time Required: 3-6 months

Estimated Cost: No new additional cost; use of existing budgeted funds

4.5 Plan and Construct Improvements

If a truck route ordinance is adopted, the Department of Public Works will prepare preliminary plans and cost estimates for identified truck routes. Based on this information, the Department of Public Works will prepare a prioritized list of discrete improvements needed.

Once a plan is completed, the Department of Public Works will coordinate the construction of improvements to identified truck routes as funding becomes available. If funds are available, individual improvement projects would be placed in the capital improvement budget for design, engineering, environmental review, and construction.

In the year following the adoption of a truck route ordinance in Bloomington, the Department of Public Works will present an evaluation of the effectiveness of truck route restrictions at a Bloomington MAC meeting.

Champion: Department of Public Works (with support from the Bloomington MAC and California Highway Patrol)

Time Required: TBD, as funds become available

Estimated Cost: \$375,000 for planning, \$18 million for capital improvements, \$250,000 per year for ongoing maintenance and reserve funds; as fund are available (cost estimate subject to revision based on planning and design)

Resources

- [Caltrans Legal Truck Access](#)
- [Caltrans Route Restriction Procedures](#)
- [Safe Routes to School Guide](#)
- [Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning Grants](#)