

INFRASTRUCTURE | ATP CYCLE 2

Railroad Safety Trail - Taft to Pepper Segment

Applicant: City of San Luis Obispo

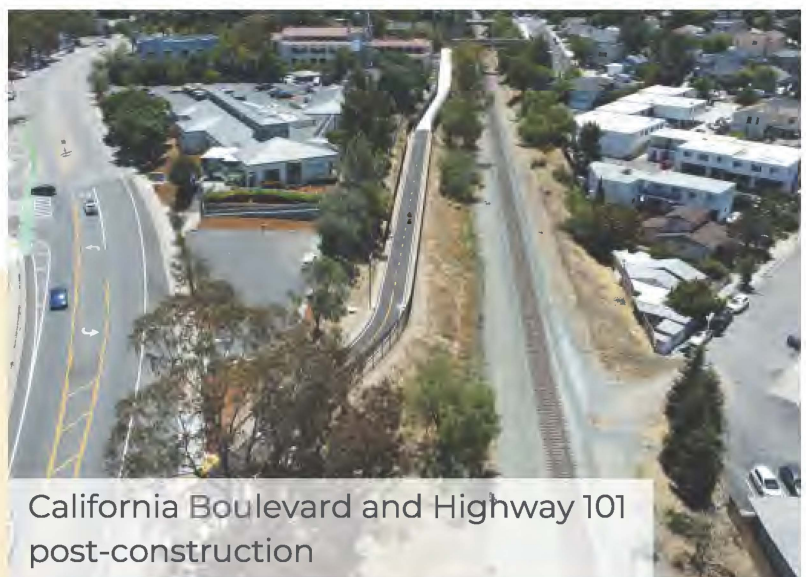
The Railroad Safety Trail - Taft to Pepper Segment Project led by the City of San Luis Obispo added a 0.4-mile connection to the existing Anza Trail. The trail currently runs from Cal Poly to Tank Farm Road and is envisioned to serve as a connector to the Coastal Trail and eventually the Chorro Valley. The project resulted in the construction of a pedestrian and bicycle overpass across the Union Pacific Railroad and conducted an educational bicycle safety and outreach program to encourage safe active transportation practices. The project goals included creating safer access for bicyclists and pedestrians at the railroad intersection and reducing greenhouse gas emissions through encouraging active transportation through improved infrastructure and education.

WHAT WAS INSTALLED?

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Dedicated bike lanes
 1,914 feet of new Class I bike facilities were installed.
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Lighting improvements
 4 high-level trail lights, 3 streetlights, and 36 low-level path lights were installed
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Accessible ramp
 4 new ADA compliant ramps were installed.
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New bridge
 A pedestrian and bicycle bridge was constructed over the Union Pacific Public Railroad tracks.


Total Project Cost
\$4,564,000
ATP Programmed Amount
\$3,244,000


California Boulevard and Highway 101 pre-construction



California Boulevard and Highway 101 post-construction



COMMUNITY BENEFITS / OUTCOMES

The new bike lane brought several benefits such as community connection and safe driving alternatives between Cal Poly and Downtown San Luis Obispo:



A connected community

The new bike and walkway helped improve and promote community connectivity by providing a continuous, physically separated pedestrian and bicycle pathway, connecting the Cal Poly Campus facility to Downtown San Luis Obispo which serves nearly 600 pedestrians and 400 bicyclists daily.



Improved air quality

The project improved bicycle and pedestrian safety around the city's major neighborhoods and destinations, encouraging residents to use more non-motorized transportation and meet the city's climate change action goals.

The following partners supported the City of San Luis Obispo in this effort:



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For more information, check out the resources below:

- [San Luis Obispo Chamber of Commerce Website](#)
- [San Luis Obispo Council of Governments Website](#)