



# Welcome

TxDOT El Paso and El Paso MPO  
2023 Bicycle Project Hearing

Sept. 28, 2023



# Safety Minute – Bicycle Safety Facts\*



Bicyclist deaths occurred most often between...

**6–9 pm**



**78%**

...of bicyclist deaths occur in urban areas vs. 22% in rural areas



**6X**

Bicyclist deaths were 6 times higher for males than females



**1/4**

One in four fatal bike crashes involved a bicyclist who had been drinking

\*2019 Data

## Purpose of the Bike Hearing



The purpose of this public hearing is to **provide information on transportation projects** that might affect bicycle use, plans, policies, and programs for the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) El Paso District and El Paso Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and to receive public comments on those projects.

TxDOT, the MPO, and local partners are working collaboratively on a common goal to connect the multimodal network within the region.



# TxDOT Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC) Membership



- Appointed by Texas Transportation Commission
- **11-person**, voluntary panel
- **3-year** staggered terms
- Geographically and professionally diverse members of the public
- Solicit applications each May from stakeholder groups, professional organizations, and district staff

<https://www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/division/public-transportation/bicycle-committee.html>





## Preliminary Vision Statement

**The Texas Active Transportation Plan is a collaborative effort to advance the choice of walking, biking and rolling for a fully integrated, safe, connected multi-modal transportation system for all.**

**The plan will support healthy, economically vital, and sustainable communities with innovative solutions to increase active mobility.**

# Statewide Active Transportation Plan Development Timeline



**WE ARE  
HERE**



**FALL  
2023**

## **GATHER DATA AND INPUT**

Vision Workshop and Data Collection

Stakeholder and Public Meetings  
Round 1



**WINTER  
2023**

## **ANALYSIS**

Existing Conditions Report

Public meeting feedback analysis



**SUMMER  
2024**

## **DRAFT PLAN REVIEW**

Public and Stakeholder Meetings  
Round 2



**FALL  
2024**

## **FINAL PLAN ADOPTION**

Public meeting feedback analysis

**PUBLIC AND STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH**

# In-Person and Virtual Public Meetings



## ROUND 1

### STATEWIDE IN-PERSON PUBLIC MEETING

LOCATIONS AND DATES  
4:30 to 6:30 p.m.



## ROUND 1

### STATEWIDE VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING WEBSITE



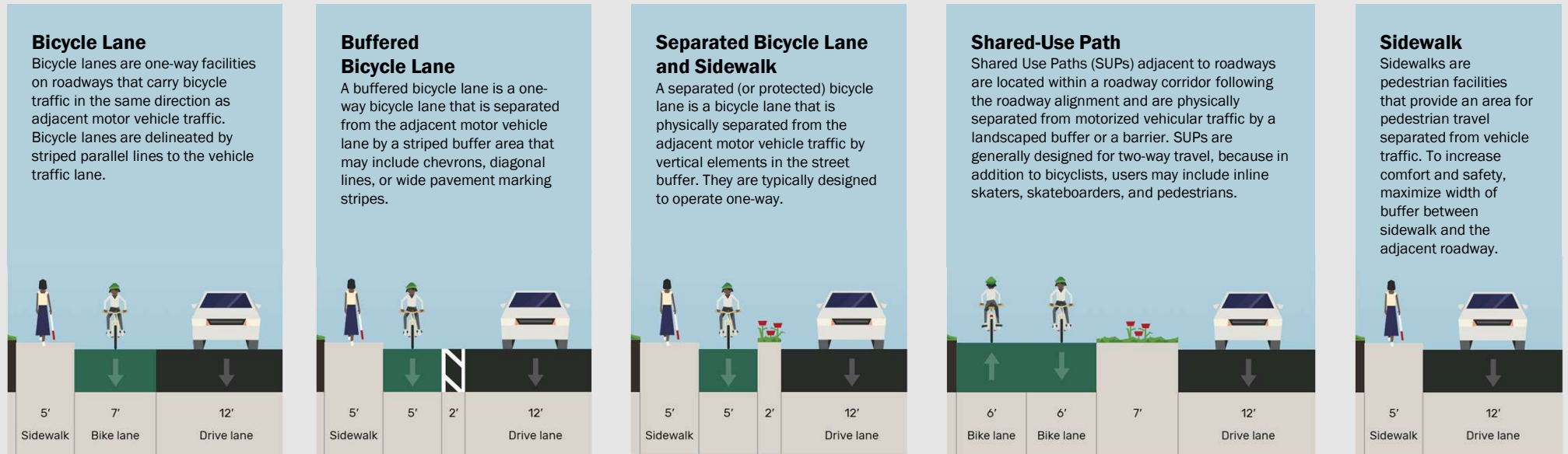
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# Bicycle-Pedestrian Facility Toolbox

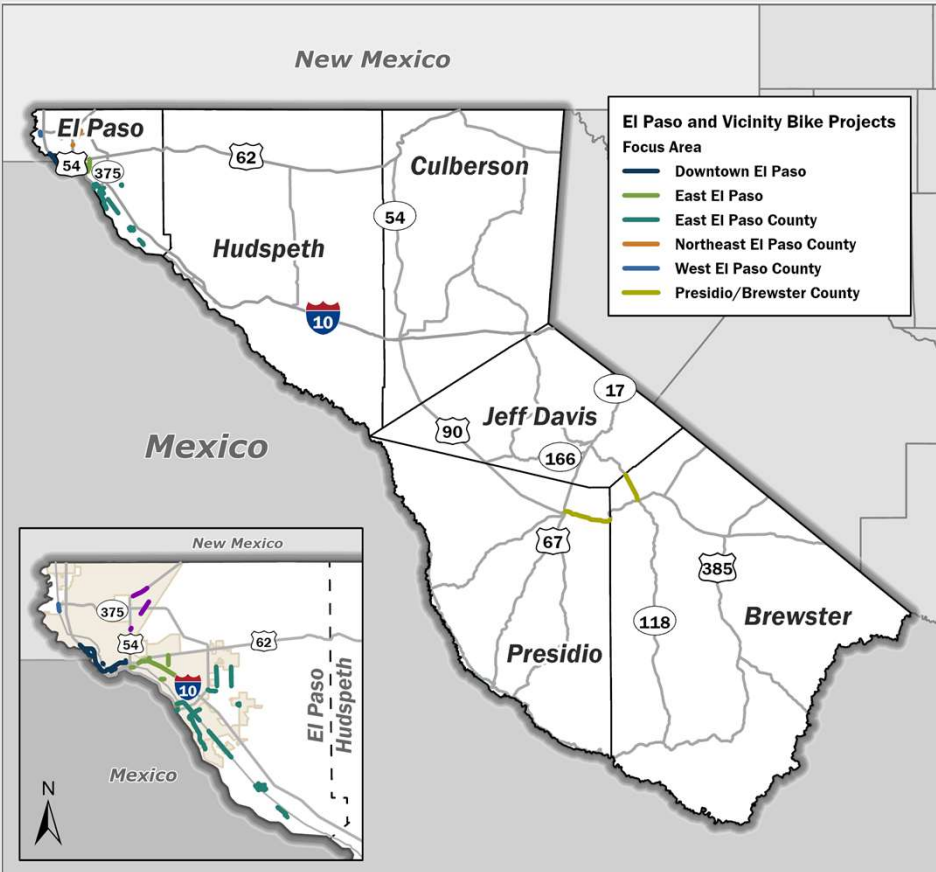


## Bicycle-Pedestrian Toolbox

Each project presented in the hearing will include a graphic representation of what the facility will look like. This graphic representation will be depicting using the below tools from the bicycle-pedestrian facility toolbox.



# Project Overview Map



**Projects have been organized into the following Focus Groups:**

Downtown El Paso

East El Paso

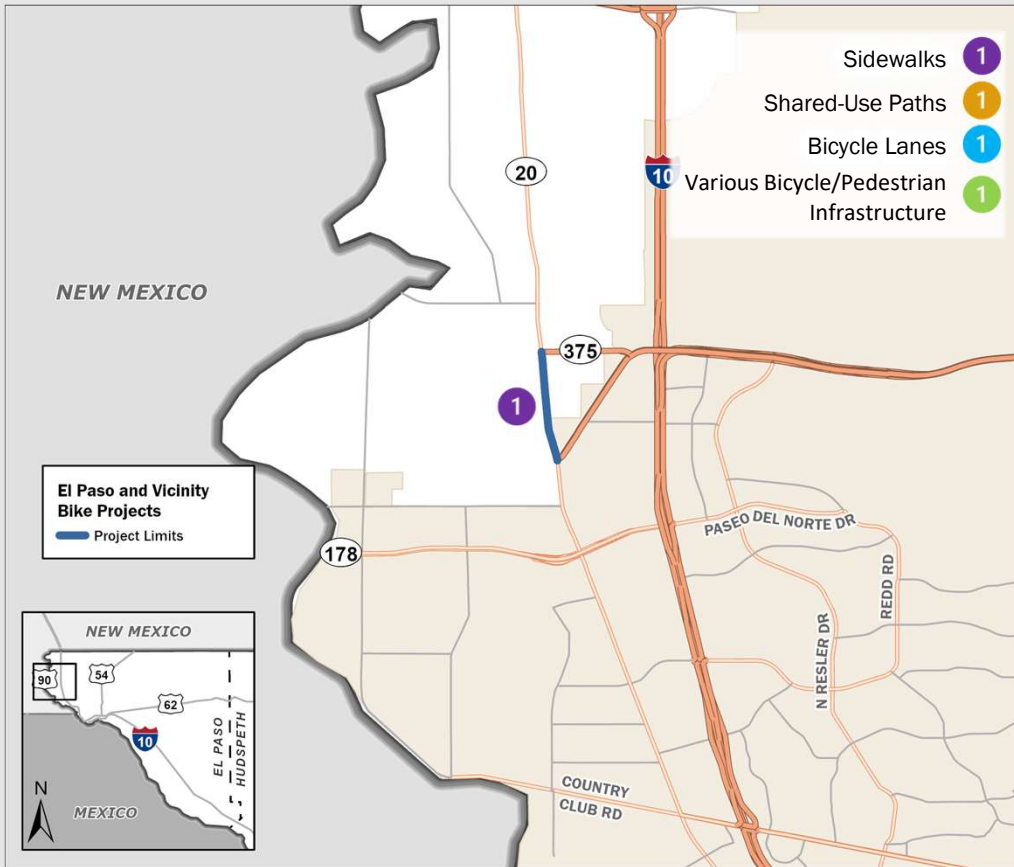
East El Paso County

Northeast El Paso County

West El Paso County

Presidio/Brewster County

# Focus Area: West El Paso County



## Projects in Focus Area

1. CSJ 0001-01-068  
**SH20 SIDEWALKS (TALBOT | SS16)**

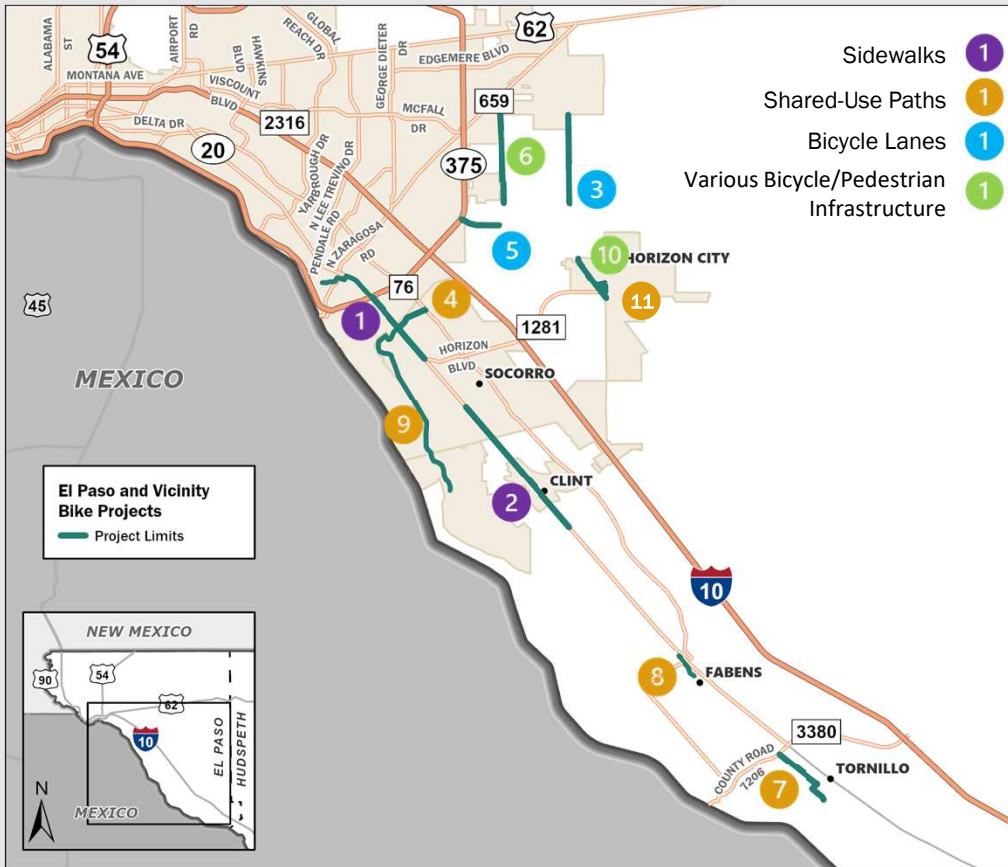
# Focus Area: Downtown Central El Paso



## Projects in Focus Area

1. CSJ 0167-02-091  
**ELP\_SL0478\_1-TAR (2022)**
2. CSJ 0924-06-609  
**Border Highway West Shared Use Path**
3. CSJ 0924-06-640  
**PDN Trail-Magoffin Shared Use Path 2023**
4. CSJ 0924-06-684  
**ELP\_StantonSt\_COEP\_1 (2022)**
5. CSJ 2121-02-167  
**I-10 FR Ext PH I (Executive | SunlandPark)**
6. CSJ 2121-02-177  
**I-10 FR Ext PHII (Sunland Park | Executive)**

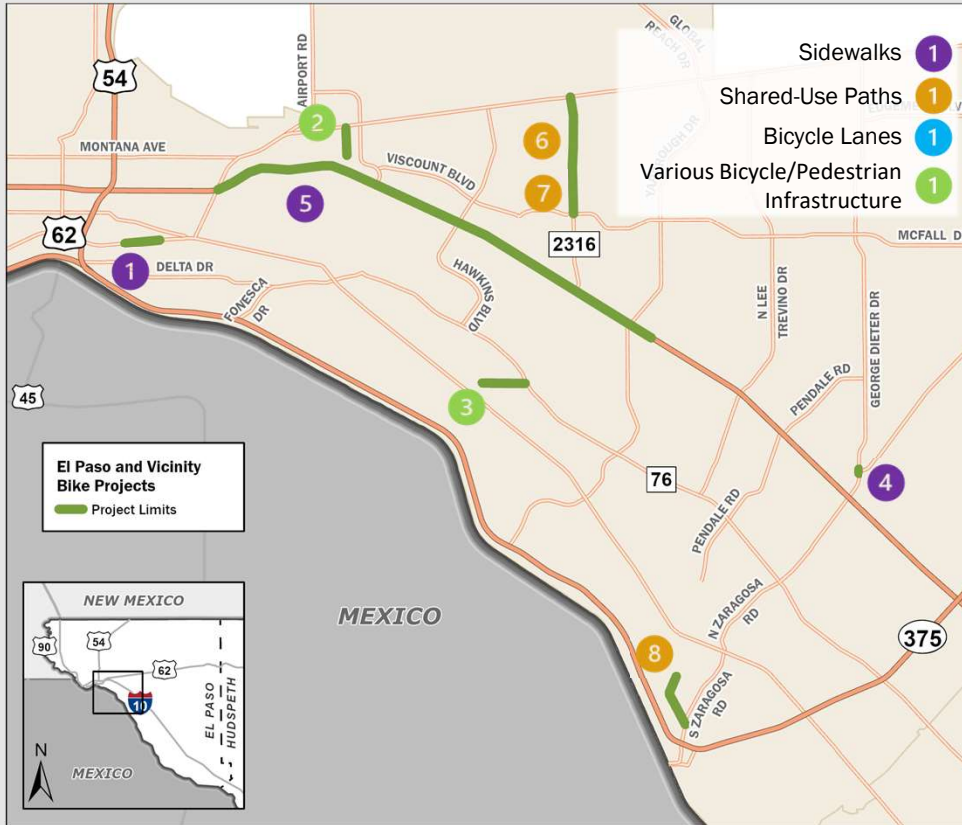
# Focus Area: East El Paso County



## Projects in Focus Area

1. CSJ 0002-02-061  
**SH20 FY2023 ADA IMPR. (LP375 | HORIZON)**
2. CSJ 0002-02-063 ELP\_SH0020\_4-TAR (2022)
3. CSJ 0924-06-565  
**John Hayes (DarringtonBerryvi) Const. PH2**
4. CSJ 0924-06-607  
**Nuevo Huevo Tanks Ext. (FM76-SH20) Const.**
5. CSJ 0924-06-637 **Bob Hope Ext. PE & Construction Phase**
6. CSJ 0924-06-621 **Tierra Este (Arterial 1)**
7. CSJ 0924-06-668 **Alamo Alto Seg. PDN Trail-PH 2 (Tornillo)**
8. CSJ 0924-06-669 **Alamo Alto Seg. PDN Trail-PH 1 (Fabens)**
9. CSJ 0924-06-680 **PDN Mission Spur Trail Segments**
10. CSJ 0924-06-691 **Dilley Rd. & Delake St. Construction**
11. CSJ 0924-06-697 **Rodman Street SUP-PE/CONS**

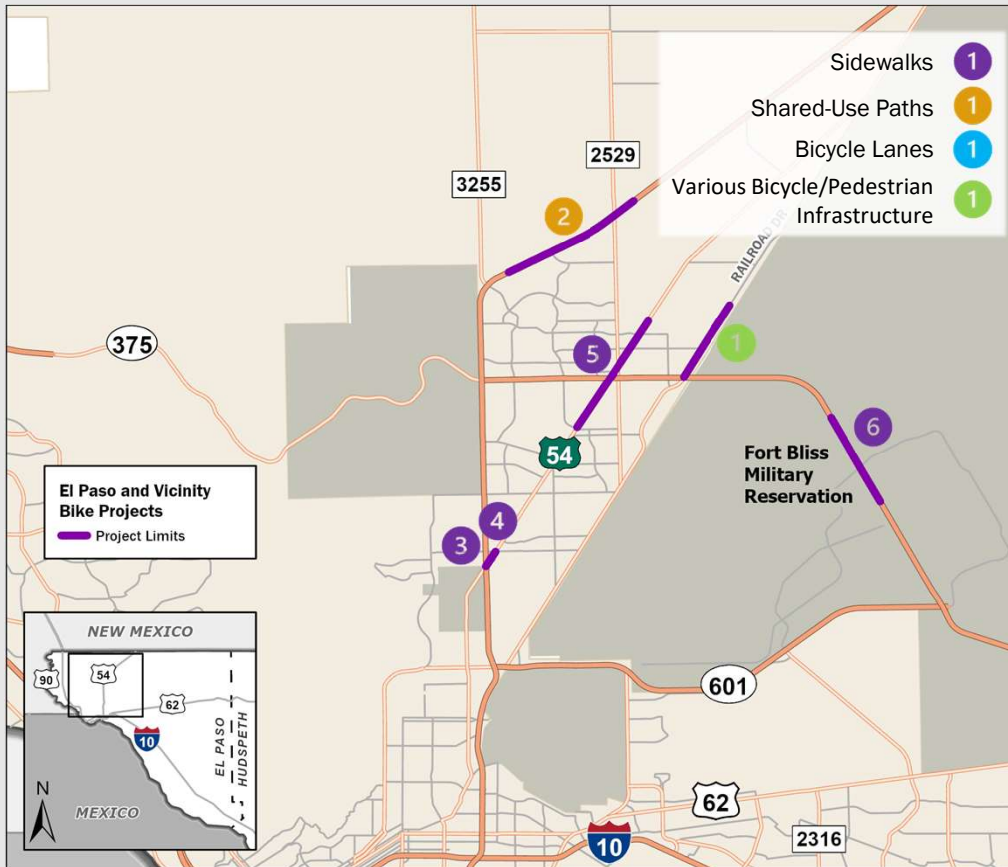
# Focus Area: East El Paso



## Projects in Focus Area

1. CSJ 0001-04-102  
ELP\_US0062\_1-CAT11S (2022)
2. CSJ 0924-06-665  
Buffalo Soldier Street Improvements
3. CSJ 0924-06-666  
Carolina Street Improvements
4. CSJ 1046-01-045  
FM659 TRF/PED. SIGNAL AND PED. CROSSWALK
5. CSJ 2121-03-167  
ELP\_IH0010\_1-TAR (2022)
6. CSJ 2201-01-011  
McRae (FM2316) SUP Alum-Montana PH II
7. CSJ 2201-01-012  
McRae(FM2316) SUP Montwood-Album PH I
8. CSJ 0924-06-639 Playa Drain S Path (Padilla-Zaragoza)

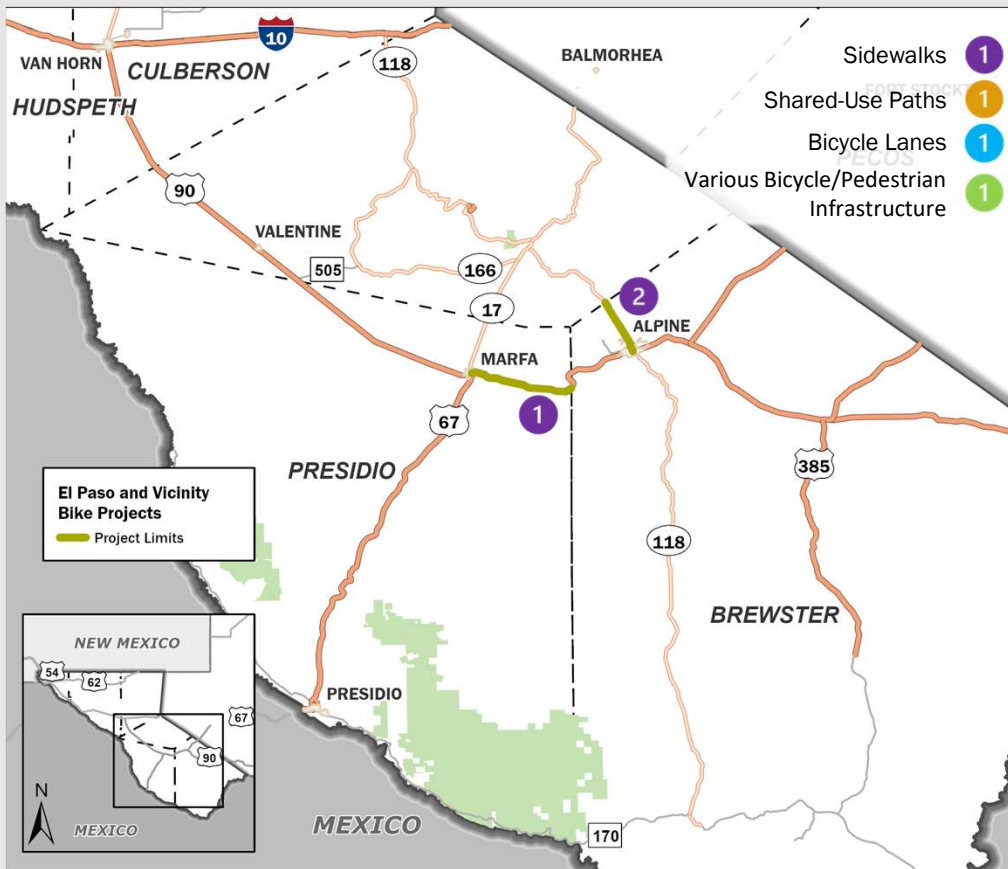
# Focus Area: Northeast El Paso



## Projects in Focus Area

1. CSJ 0924-06-625  
**Railroad Dr. Widening & Reconstruction**
2. CSJ 0167-01-122  
**US 54 (PAT FWY) Mainlane & Ramp Config.**
3. CSJ 0167-02-080  
**BU 54A PED. HYBRID BEACON (AT TITANIC)**
4. CSJ 0167-02-085  
**Dyer Pedestrian Sidewalk Improvements**
5. CSJ 0167-02-093  
**ELP\_BU0054A\_3-TAR (2022)**
6. CSJ 2552-02-038  
**LP 375 @ Sergeant Major Blvd. Imp.**

# Focus Area: Presidio and Brewster Counties



## Projects in Focus Area

1. CSJ 0020-08-048  
**US67 MILL & INLAY (SH 17 | BREWSTER CL)**
2. CSJ 0358-02-031  
**SH118 MILL & INLAY (S RM1837 | SH233)**

## Focus Area: Districtwide



## Projects in Focus Area

1. CSJ 0924-06-695 **Bike Share Fleet Enhancement Project PH 1**
2. CSJ 0924-06-696 **Bike Share Fleet Enhancement Project PH 2**
3. CSJ 0924-00-114 **VA FY 2024 STRIPING (DISTRICTWIDE)**

## Bicycle Facility Standards and Guidelines

- TxDOT Roadway Design Manual (May 2022)
- AASHTO
  - Guide for the Development of Bicycle Facilities (2012)
- NACTO
  - Urban Bikeway Design Guide (2014)
- TxMUTCD (2011)
  - Pavement Marking and Signage



# TxDOT's Policy – Urban, Urban Core, Suburban, and Rural Towns



TxDOT **design guidelines** for bicycle and pedestrian facilities updated in May 2022.



New **construction, reconstruction, or widening** projects:

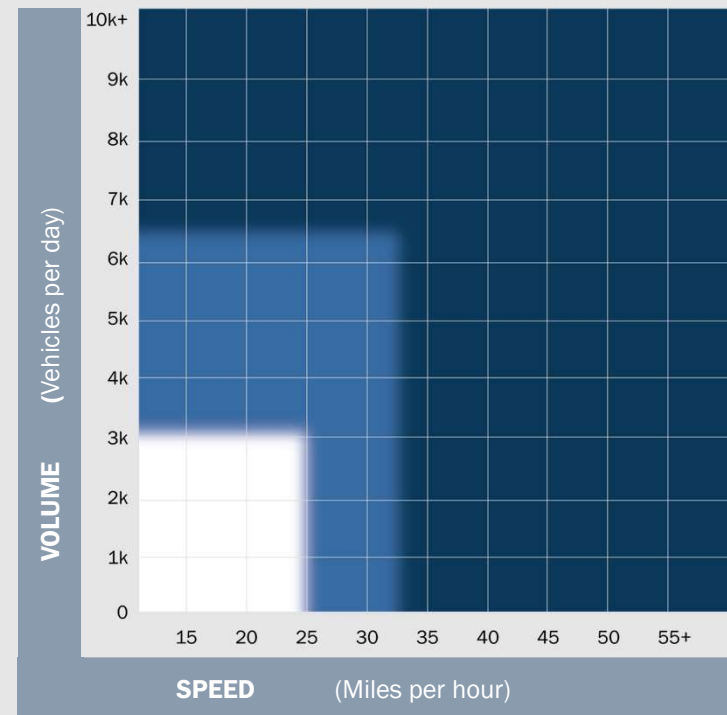
- Provide the recommended bicycle accommodation based on traffic volumes and speed.
- Accommodations should be designed to meet TAS/ADAAG requirements.



Projects involving **bridge replacement, bridge deck replacement, or bridge rehabilitation**:

- Provide 5-foot minimum clear space (4-foot shoulder and 1-foot offset measured to the toe of the barrier). Where feasible, desirable shoulder widths should be used.
- For roadway identified on the Texas Bicycle Tourism trails Example Network, provide preferred 10-foot (minimum 8 foot) shoulder width.

## Recommended Bicycle Facility Selection for Urban, Urban Core, Suburban, and Rural Town Context



# TxDOT's Policy – Rural Areas (Excludes Rural Towns)



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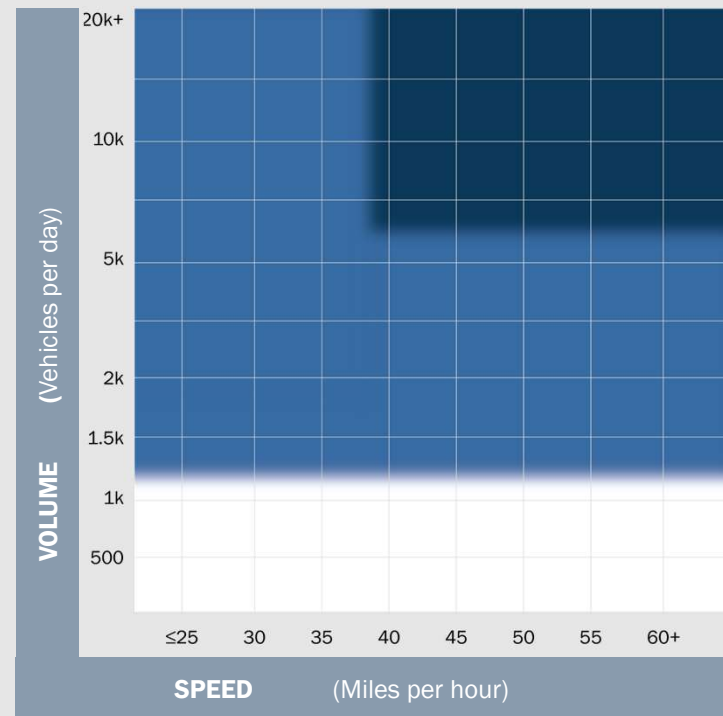
- When the scoping process and environmental studies indicate a need for bicycle accommodations, provide the recommended bicycle accommodation.
- In some cases, a shared use path or other locally preferred facility type may be identified during stakeholder outreach.
- Roadways indicated in TxDOT's Bicycle Tourism Trails Study should be redesigned with a minimum 8-foot shoulder, a shared use path, or another locally preferred facility type.



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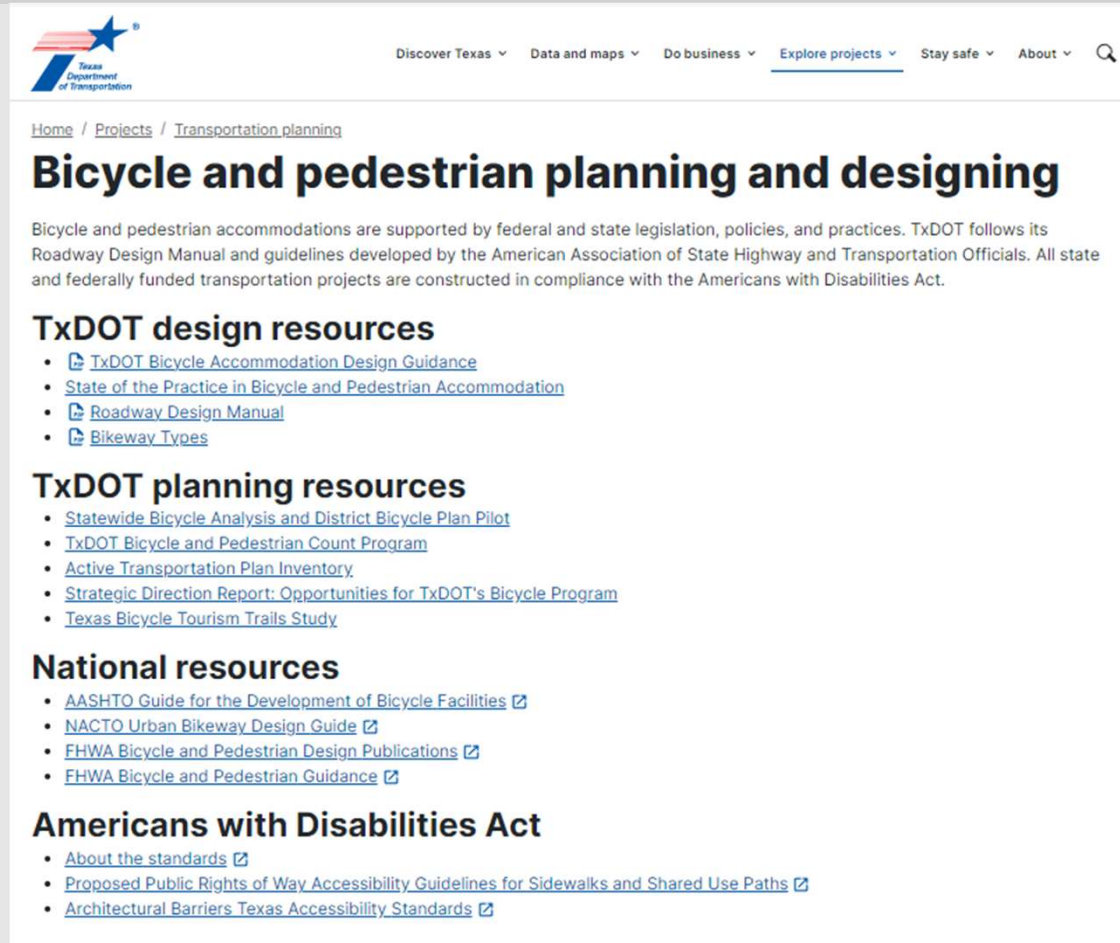
## Recommended Bicycle Facility Selection for Rural Context



# TxDOT Bicycle Accommodation Information

**TxDOT bicycle accommodation information can be found online at:**

<https://www.txdot.gov/projects/planning/bicycle-pedestrian-planning-designing.html>



The screenshot shows the TxDOT website page for "Bicycle and pedestrian planning and designing". The page features the TxDOT logo, navigation links, and a main heading. Below the heading, there is a paragraph of text and three sections of resources: "TxDOT design resources", "TxDOT planning resources", "National resources", and "Americans with Disabilities Act".

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## Bicycle and pedestrian planning and designing

Bicycle and pedestrian accommodations are supported by federal and state legislation, policies, and practices. TxDOT follows its Roadway Design Manual and guidelines developed by the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials. All state and federally funded transportation projects are constructed in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

### TxDOT design resources

- [TxDOT Bicycle Accommodation Design Guidance](#)
- [State of the Practice in Bicycle and Pedestrian Accommodation](#)
- [Roadway Design Manual](#)
- [Bikeway Types](#)

### TxDOT planning resources

- [Statewide Bicycle Analysis and District Bicycle Plan Pilot](#)
- [TxDOT Bicycle and Pedestrian Count Program](#)
- [Active Transportation Plan Inventory](#)
- [Strategic Direction Report: Opportunities for TxDOT's Bicycle Program](#)
- [Texas Bicycle Tourism Trails Study](#)

### National resources

- [AASHTO Guide for the Development of Bicycle Facilities](#) [↗](#)
- [NACTO Urban Bikeway Design Guide](#) [↗](#)
- [FHWA Bicycle and Pedestrian Design Publications](#) [↗](#)
- [FHWA Bicycle and Pedestrian Guidance](#) [↗](#)

### Americans with Disabilities Act

- [About the standards](#) [↗](#)
- [Proposed Public Rights of Way Accessibility Guidelines for Sidewalks and Shared Use Paths](#) [↗](#)
- [Architectural Barriers Texas Accessibility Standards](#) [↗](#)

# How to Comment



## Verbal:

Call (972) 560-3029  
and leave a message



## Email:

[TxDOT\\_ELP\\_BikePublicHearing@wsp.com](mailto:TxDOT_ELP_BikePublicHearing@wsp.com)



## Mail:

WSP USA  
Attn: El Paso Bike Hearing,  
3102 Oak Lawn Ave Suite 450,  
Dallas, TX 75219



## Questions:

Contact **Adriana Rodriguez:**  
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## Note:

Please submit or postmark your comments  
on or before Friday, October 13, 2023.

## Next Steps



### 1. Review

TxDOT and project sponsors will **review/consider** comments



### 2. Summary

A **Public Hearing Summary** will be available on TxDOT's website in Fall 2023



### 3. Clearance

All projects still require **environmental clearance**



### 4. Hearing

A **Public Hearing or Opportunity for a Public Hearing** will be held once a year for transportation projects, programs, and policies affecting bicycle use in El Paso and surrounding communities



HELP  
**#EndTheStreakTX**

End the streak of daily deaths on Texas roadways.

**TxDOT.gov** (Keyword: #EndTheStreakTX)



#EndTheStreakTX Toolkit





# Thank you!

