



SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOLS: MARIN COUNTY



**Reed District Safe Routes to Schools Task Force  
Zoom Meeting Notes  
Wednesday April 21, 2021**

**Attendance:**

Wendi Kallins- Safe Routes to Schools, Peggy Clark - Safe Routes to Schools, Angela McInerney- Resident/Parent and Parks and Open Space Commission member, Gwen Frog- Safe Routes to Schools, Lou Goodwin- Safe Routes to Schools, Kathy McLeod -Crossing Guard Sup/Outreach Coordinator, Ann-Marie Skaggs- Del Mar Vice Principal, Jennifer Schriber- Parisi Transportation Engineer, David Eshoo- Tiburon DPW Assoc Engineer, Jessica Etchevers - Team Leader Bel Aire, Chuck Hornbrook- Parent Volunteer & Parks and Open Space Commission member, Jena Watson- Parent & Parks and Open Space Commission member, Christine Svallin- Del Mar Neighborhood Association,

**Safe Routes Education and Encouragement for spring and fall 2021**

[Safe Routes to Schools E-news](#)- the newsletter addresses current and upcoming events.

All the staff have been vaccinated along with the county's teachers; special thanks to Mary Jane Burke and the Mill Valley District Office. On campus classes are being scheduled for on-site instruction county wide. Del Mar and Bel Aire "on the bike" instruction is scheduled for May.

Encouragement: Bike to School Day is May 12. Family Biking Virtual class: April 29, May is Bike Month; Annual Bike Hero Nominations are due by May 31st.

- Bike to School Day is May 12. Promotions including posters were sent out to school contacts and administrators. Sticker will be delivered to the school for teachers to distribute given volunteer welcome tables that are not permitted at this time on campus.

Middle School Challenge: Posters have a QR code on them for students to enter to win one gift card. Not all students have phones; therefore students with phones are encouraged to help friends register (name and school only requested), students have school issued iPads and posters will be provided to the teachers for the classrooms. The school admin will be notified of the winner.

[Chalk N Walk](#) was presented at Bel Aire and Del Mar and Reed schools this spring.

**Crossing guards Update**

Guards are in all locations except for Stewart Drive & Tiburon Blvd. A guard is now at Cecilia and Blackfield. School volunteers are assisting at other locations for Bel Aire students. It has

been a challenge to recruit/hire crossing guards county wide; southern Marin has the most needs. A request was made to notify the school district of the job openings and to publish on social media resources.

Kathy inquired about the designated entrances used by Del Mar for grade cohorts. The entrances currently in use are the same entrances the school has always used. It has not been determined if the entrances will be designed for grades in the fall or not. This information will help plan for crossing guard needs in the fall.

### **Bus update**

As of this meeting the bus service is planned to return in the fall. Staggered school schedules will not be planned for the fall.

### **Issues list – review and update – show map**

[Safe Routes to School- Issues List](#)

[Reed District Issues List Map](#)

This list must be updated, it has been in use for a number of years. Issues need to be updated and reprioritized. Some of the issues are currently planned for improvement. The issues have been plotted on a map. This is a very helpful resource to help identify the location of the issues.

The list does reflect many items that were identified during the virtual walk audit conducted pre COVID. Many of the issues on this list involve support from Caltrans.

Priority rankings were identified during the meeting

# 1- Top priority and is located near a school or along a corridor; has a high # of students and presents significant safety issue

# 2 - secondary priority less students and/or less of a significant danger

#3 - not a huge issue but will need to be addressed

Note that those issues that can be addressed immediately, will be.

**New issue: R14** The closed bridge from Greenwood Cove over the creek (behind Strawberry School). It has been closed for months and forces bikers and walkers onto Tiburon Blvd. Bridge Location: Greenwood Bay Drive and Harbor Cove Way. This issue will be added to the Mill Valley Issues list.

**R4: Reed Ranch Road** Task force members ranked this #1. There are several issues that need to be addressed; it seems CalTrans will not support a crossing there.

**R9: Ned's Way** Hilarita Apartments submitted plans 1.5 years ago for rehabbing the complex. COVID slowed the process down. The permit included addressing the roadway flooding.

**R10: Mar West** This location is at the intersection for the library; students cross in the AM/PM and people headed to/from the library. The DPW stated that CalTrans has roadway changes planned for this intersection (MarWest and Tiburon Blvd); median improvements and roadway widening, left turn lane pocket, no pedestrian lights are included at this time. Task Force

members requested the plans be shared for review to learn what is planned and to make suggestions before the project begins.

**R11: Karen Way and Blackfield** During the last task force meeting the DPW Director, (new) police chief and David Parisi were going to meet to discuss options, including conducting a traffic study when the school bell schedule resumes to normal.

### **Comments:**

There are stairs from Reed Ranch Rd down to Jefferson that connect with the sidewalk to the crosswalk at Trestle Glen to get across Tiburon Blvd.

The new bike station installed on the Old Rail Trail is great. People are using it; unfortunately, the tire pump is not working most of the time. It was installed by the Town of Tiburon.

### **Caltrans update on 131/Stewart Drive and on 131/Blackfield.**

Wendi reported there was no update from them on Stewart Drive. Tiburon/ Greenfield Rd/Blackfield ADA project; contract was awarded in March and construction will start this year.

### **Town updates**

- Del Mar: Last December CalTrans submitted a set of plans that was reviewed by the town's DPW; comments and clarifications were sent back. The DPW received the updated plans; one comment was made and now they are back with CalTrans and Parisi Engineering for final review. POST will be presented with the final proposal for approval; once approved the DPW will send it out for bidding.

### **Next Zoom meeting**

Friday, August 13, 2021 at 10:00am

School starts on August 19, 2021