

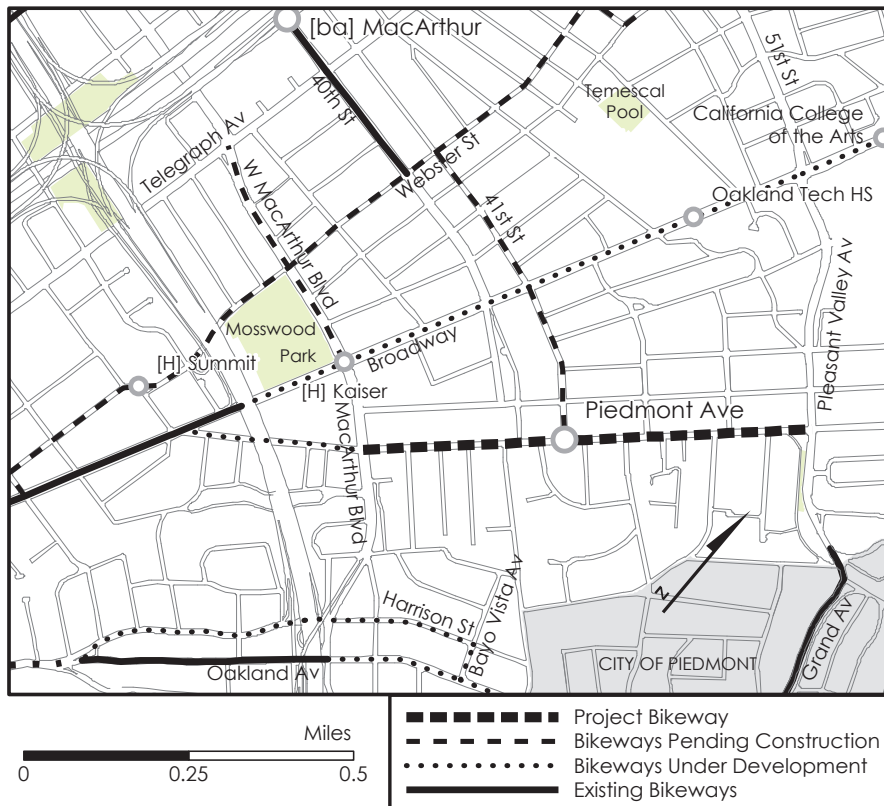
Piedmont Ave Bikeway Project

DESCRIPTION

The City of Oakland is proposing to install a new bikeway on Piedmont Ave from MacArthur Blvd to Pleasant Valley Ave. The project, recommended in the City's Bicycle Master Plan (BMP), is planned for completion in 2012. It would be installed as part of a scheduled paving project and funded by Oakland's share of a state transportation bond and state gas tax revenues.

The BMP calls for the installation of bikeways throughout Oakland to encourage bicycling as a healthy, non-polluting and affordable transportation option, helping Oakland to realize its sustainability and livability goals.

PROJECT AREA MAP



CONTEXT

The Piedmont Ave Bikeway Project would complete a 0.7-mile link in the City's bikeway network through the Piedmont Ave commercial district. The project is one connection in a set of coordinated bicycle access improvements under development for North Oakland. Taken together, these projects will improve access between the Piedmont Ave commercial district and downtown, MacArthur BART, Temescal, Rockridge, and Emeryville with connections via Broadway, 40th St/41st St, W MacArthur Blvd, and the Webster/Shafter bikeway.

FEASIBILITY & SAFETY

Piedmont Ave is currently one wide travel lane in each direction with parallel parking on each side. The street is sufficiently wide to install bike lanes

by narrowing the travel lanes to standard widths. Bike lanes help drivers and bicyclists to share the road and encourage bicyclists to ride in the street rather than on the sidewalk. No travel lanes or parking spaces would be removed as part of this project. See roadway cross sections on the reverse.

The improvements include shared roadway bicycle markings (aka "sharrows" pictured on the reverse) instead of bike lanes for a short stretch of Piedmont Ave at 41st St, maintaining the existing turn pockets at this signalized intersection.



SUBMIT COMMENTS

Please provide your input by **Monday, August 15, 2011**. To use this form, write your comments below and your return address on the reverse, cut along the dotted line, stamp and mail. Or, you may e-mail (bikeped@oaklandnet.com) or fax (238-7415) your comments. Make sure to include your name and street address and indicate you are commenting on the **Piedmont Ave Bikeway Project**. For answers to frequently asked questions, please go to <http://tinyurl.com/4qmv6ud>.

Please check one of the following three boxes, and then provide supporting comments.

- ☐ I support the bikeway proposal.
- ☐ I do not support the bikeway proposal.
- ☐ I have no opinion.

Signature: _____

(Please also write name and address on reverse before mailing.)

I OAKLAND

By writing my email address below, I am requesting to have my name added to the bicycle program contact list so I can receive occasional updates on City of Oakland bikeway improvement projects.

Email address: _____

REQUIRED INFORMATION

Name: _____


Address: _____

Oakland, CA _____
(Zip Code)

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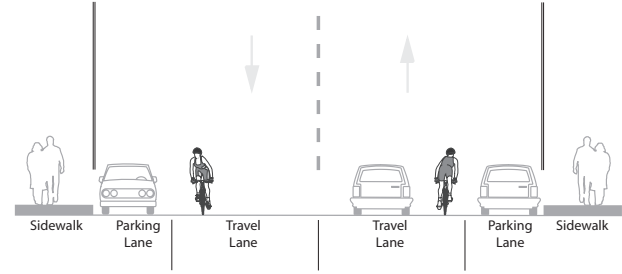
The City welcomes input on the Piedmont Ave Bikeway Project by mail, e-mail or fax by Monday, August 15, 2011. This flyer is being mailed to all residences within 400 feet of the proposed bikeway street(s). Please feel free to share this flyer with others in the neighborhood; it is available online at <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/oak030112>.

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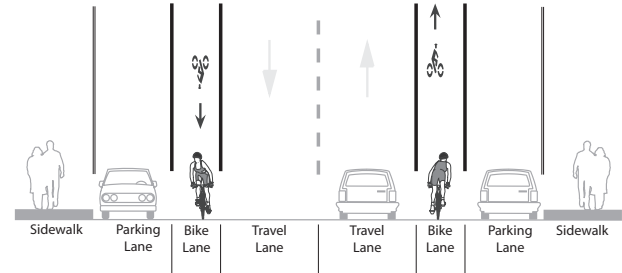
Typical cross section:

MacArthur Blvd to Pleasant Valley Ave

Existing



Proposed



SHARED ROADWAY BICYCLE MARKING (AKA "SHARROW")

Approaching 41st St, northbound, two sharrow markings (rather than bike lanes) will be installed due to the left turn pocket which reduces the available roadway width. The sharrow (pictured right) encourages bicyclists to ride clear of the "door zone," and advises motorists to expect bicyclists. Learn more at <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/oak025000>.



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