

Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee Meeting

June 8, 2022 9:30 a.m.



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Agenda



Killeen-Temple Metropolitan Planning Organization Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)

Wednesday, June 8, 2022

Central Texas Council of Governments Building 2180 North Main Street, Belton, Texas 76513

Regular Meeting: 9:30 A.M.

Virtual Meeting Link: KTMPO BPAC Meeting

Call in Number: <u>+1 (872) 240-3212</u> Access Code: 756-809-085

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order.
- 2. Opportunity for Public Comment.
- 3. Staff Update: (pg. 6-8)
 - a) KTMPO Meetings;
 - b) Other Updates;
 - c) Air Quality.
- 4. **Action Item**: Regarding approval of minutes from the March 9, 2022 meeting. (pg. 10-12)
- 5. Discussion Item: Regarding update on the Trail Highlight Series project. (pq. 14)
- 6. **Discussion Item**: Regarding update on the Regional Bike Share Feasibility Study. (pg. 16-26)
- 7. **Discussion Item**: Regarding Love to Ride presentation on encouraging and supporting more people to ride bikes in the region. (pg. 28-46)
- 8. **Discussion Item**: Regarding Local Update on Bicycle and Pedestrian Activities. (pg. 48)
- 9. Discussion Item: Regarding public input received through May 2022. (pg. 50-52)
- 10. Member comments.
- 11. Next Meeting: September 14, 2022 at 9:30 a.m.
- 12. Adjourn.

Item 3: Staff Update



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Staff Update

- a) Listed below are the upcoming KTMPO meetings:
 - June 15, 2022 Transportation Planning Policy Board
 - July 6, 2022 Technical Advisory Committee
 - July 20, 2022 Transportation Planning Policy Board
 - August 3, 2022 Technical Advisory Committee
 - August 17, 2022 Transportation Planning Policy Board
 - September 7, 2022 Technical Advisory Committee
 - September 14, 2022 Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee

All meetings are scheduled for 9:30am at the Central Texas Council of Governments offices in Belton, Texas, unless otherwise noted (ie – electronic meeting).

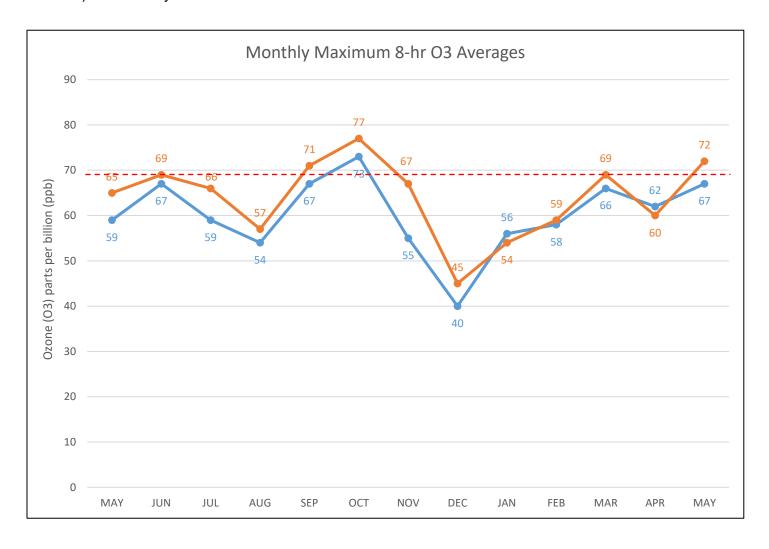
- b) Other Updates
 - Update on KTMPO FY23-26 TIP
 - TxDOT Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee (<u>Agenda Packet Link</u>)
 - Update on TxDOT Safety Task Force Pedestrian and Bicycle Subcommittee
 - Update on the Strategic Direction Report for TxDOT's Bicycle and Pedestrian Program
 - A brief on micromobility research
 - Update on TA Program and Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA).
 - Next meeting on April 25th
 - FHWA Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) website (<u>Link</u>) and (<u>Fact Sheets</u>).
 - FHWA Safe System Strategic Plan (<u>Link</u>).
 - FHWA HEP Virtual Booth (Link)
 - TxDOT FY23 Highway Safety Plan (TTC Presentation Link).
 - 21 grants with \$12.2 million of funding for Pedestrian & Bicycle Safety



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c) Air Quality



Compliance with EPA Ozone Standard: 4th Highest Annual Value				3-year average (Calculated on
	2020	2021	2022*	May 31, 2022)
Temple	64	67	62	64
Killeen	63	70	65	66

Action Needed: No action needed; for discussion only.



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Item 4: Meeting Minutes



KILLEEN TEMPLE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (KTMPO) Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)

Wednesday, March 9, 2022 9:30 AM

Central Texas Council of Governments (CTCOG) 2180 North Main Street Belton, TX 76513

BPAC Voting Members Present

Chair Jason Deckman – City of Temple Vice Chair Matt Bates – City of Belton Yvonne Spell – City of Harker Heights* Heather Buller – City of Killeen* Erika Kunkel – TxDOT Waco District* Gene Roberts – Fort Hood

Geary McCabe – Sun Country Cycling

Mike Anderson for Chad Welch – Tri-City Bicycles

Others Present

Lisa McCabe – Sun Country Cycling Rachael Perry – TxDOT Waco District* Justin Morgan – FHWA* Ben Magallon – ATG Allison Smith – ATG* James McGill – KTMPO
Uryan Nelson – KTMPO*
Connie Quinto – KTMPO
Anna Olvera – KTMPO
Dominic Elizondo – KTMPO*
Hope Geiger – CTCOG

Meeting Minutes

- 1. Call to Order: Jason Deckman called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.
- 2. Public Comment: No comments were made from the public.
- 3. Staff Update: KTMPO Meetings; Other Updates; Air Quality

James McGill notified the group of upcoming KTMPO meetings through June. Mr. McGill updated the committee on KTMPO's current FY23-26 TIP development process and that Belton's E 6th Ave project is being added in. Mr. McGill shared information about the January TxDOT BPAC meeting and several links to various FHWA and TxDOT reports/studies. Mr. McGill also shared a link to a website for the new Bipartisan Infrastructure Law. Air quality for the month of February was 58 parts per billion (ppb) at the Temple station and 59 ppb at the Killeen station.

Mike Anderson asked how the air quality values compare to last year. Mr. McGill explained that the values are about what they usually are around this time of year.

4. Action Item: Regarding approval of minutes from the December 7, 2021 meeting.

^{*}Denotes online attendee

Matt Bates made a motion to approve the December 7, 2021 meeting minutes, seconded by Mike Anderson; the motion passed unanimously.

5. Discussion and Action Item: Regarding Resolution 2022-06 Declaring May 2022 as National Bike Month in the Central Texas Region.

James McGill explained that this is a resolution KTMPO adopts annually and that as it pertains to bicycling, the BPAC should probably support it as well. Mr. McGill noted several specific dates for Bike to School Day and Bike to Work Week.

Geary McCabe made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-06 declaring May 2022 as National Bike Month in the Central Texas Region, seconded by Yvonne Spell; the motion passed unanimously.

6. Discussion Item: Regarding update on the Trail Highlight Series project.

Hope Geiger updated the committee on work done on the website since the last meeting to improve the design. Staff showed the group a draft version of the page and received positive comments as well as a few suggestions on additional minor improvements. The committee asked if the page was ready to go live and staff stated that a two week timeline should be sufficient to make the adjustments and publish the page publicly.

7. Discussion Item: Regarding ATG presentation on the Regional Bike Share Feasibility Study.

Ben Magallon and Allie Smith with Alliance Transportation Group (ATG) gave a presentation on updates since the last meeting, specifically regarding the market research portion.

The Committee discussed the presentation and provided feedback on best options for potential owners and operators of a bike share system.

8. Discussion Item: Regarding May Bike Month Activities.

Anna Olvera facilitated a discussion on how the BPAC and KTMPO could support and encourage bicycle activities occurring in May. Committee members mentioned Nolanville's Ride of Silence on May 21st, recommended staff increase promotion of local and regional events, set up tables on ongoing events to promote the MPO, and reach out to ISDs about planned events for Bike to School Week.

9. Discussion Item: Regarding Temple's Mobility Master Plan.

Jason Deckman gave the BPAC a brief presentation and update on Temple's Mobility Master Plan.

10. Discussion Item: Regarding Local Update on Bicycle and Pedestrian Activities.

KTMPO staff shared the list of upcoming events staff had found with the group. James McGill stated that staff are working on updating the KTMPO website to include current and updated regional bicycle and pedestrian events. Mr. McGill requested that BPAC members email staff with events they are aware of so they can be posted on the website.

11. Member Comments.

Mike Anderson stated that he is willing to volunteer his assistance at any events in the region.

12. Next Meeting: June 8, 2022 at 9:30 a.m.

13. Adjourned: The meeting adjourned at 11:0	03 a.m.
These meeting minutes were approved by the I	BPAC members at their meeting on
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Jason Deckman, BPAC Chair	James McGill, Planning Manager

Item 5: Trail Highlight Series Update



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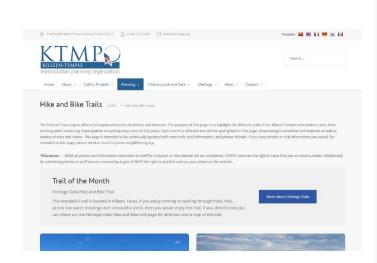
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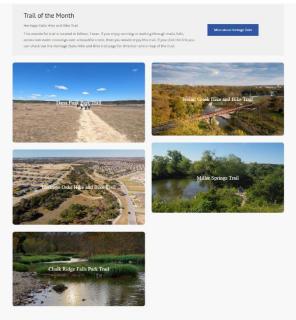
Trail Highlight Series Update

Since 2019 KTMPO has been working with the BPAC on Trail of the Month Highlight series effort to promote regional trails to the public. Staff are actively collecting trail information and photos to update the webpage. Current trails highlighted on the KTMPO Bike and Trail Webpage is:

- Dana Peak Park, Harker Heights
- Heritage Oak Trail, Killeen
- Miller Springs Trail, Belton
- Nolan Creek Hike and Bike Trail, Belton
- Chalk Ridge Falls Park Trail: Belton

Staff has created a Hike and Bike Trail Highlight page on the KTMPO website under the Bike & Pedestrian section. A screenshot of the page is included below, and staff will provide a live look during the meeting.





Action Needed: No action needed; for discussion only.

Item 6: ATG Bike Share Feasibility Study



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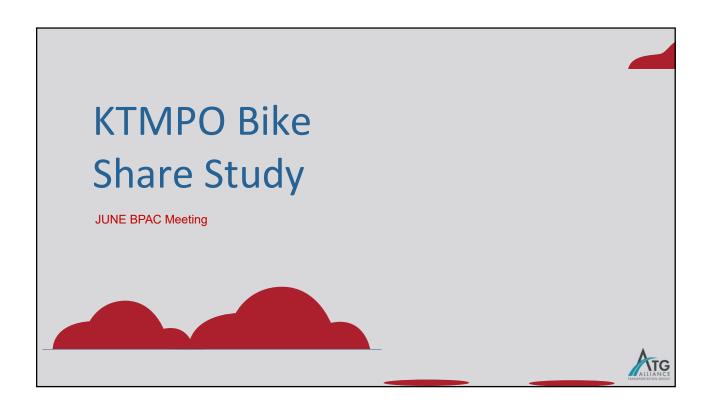
ATG Bike Share Feasibility Study

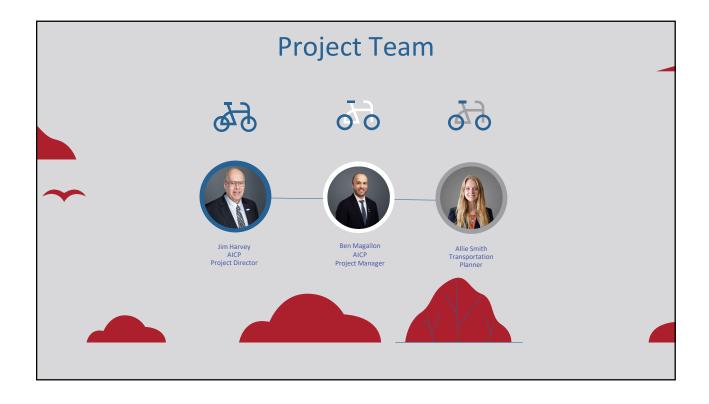
Alliance Transportation Group (ATG) is currently conducting a Bike Share Feasibility Study of the region for KTMPO. The study involves the evaluation of bike share models, desire and need in the KTMPO region, and recommendations for planning and implementation going forward.

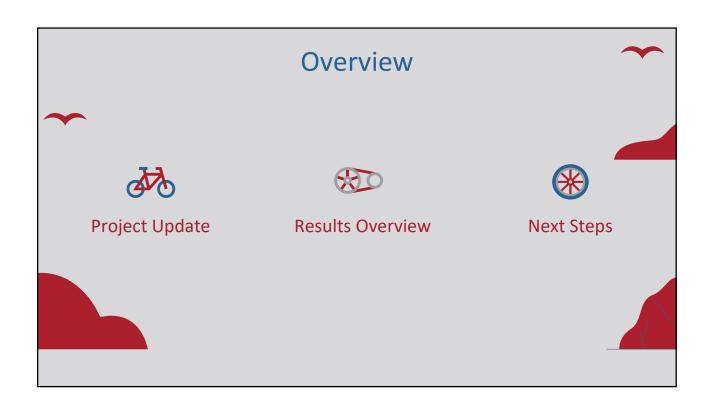
ATG presented an update on the study to the March BPAC meeting specifically highlighting their findings on different business models for a bicycle share system.

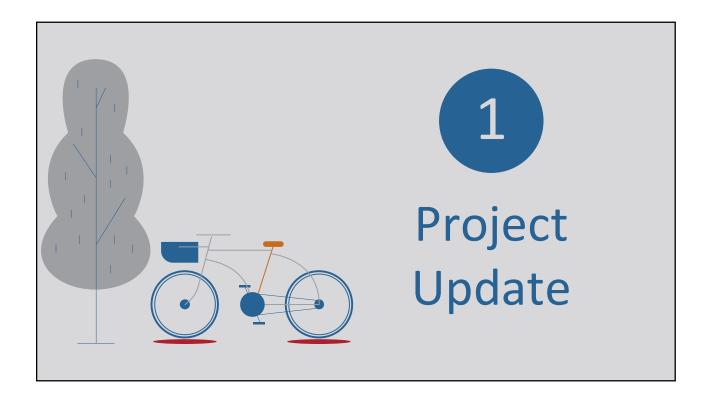
Today, ATG will present another update on the draft recommendations from the study and request feedback from the Committee on potential improvements.

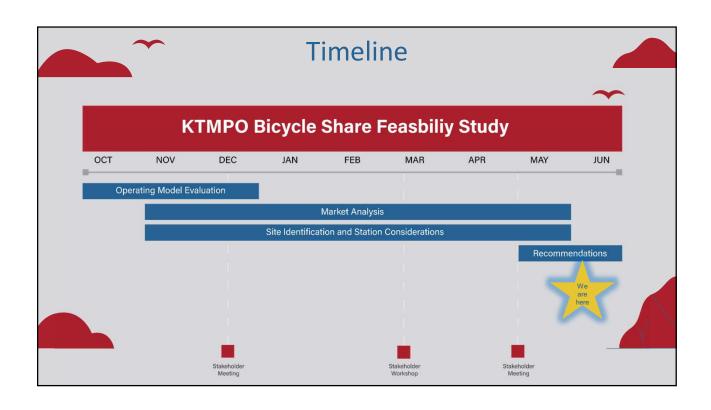
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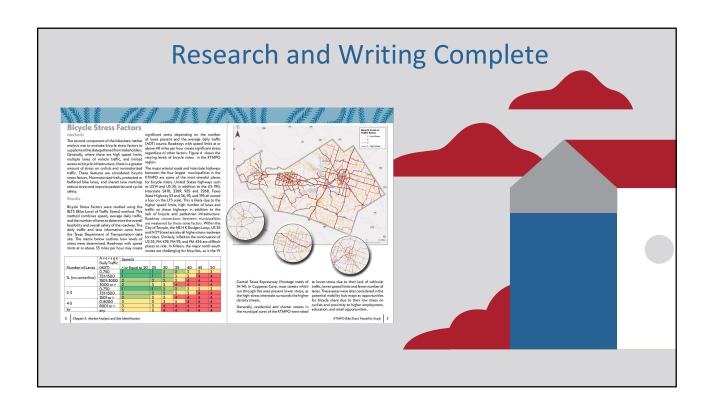


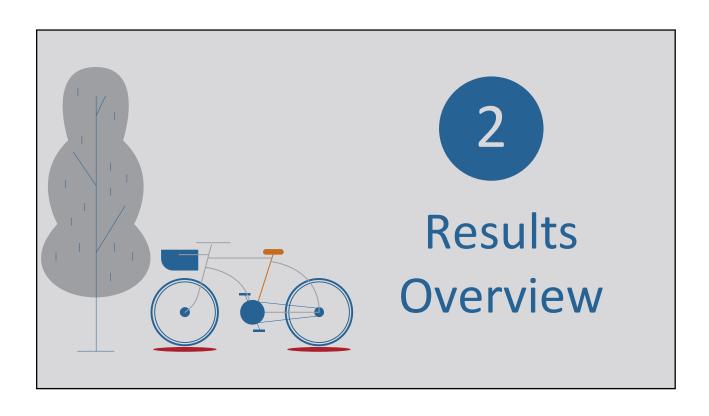




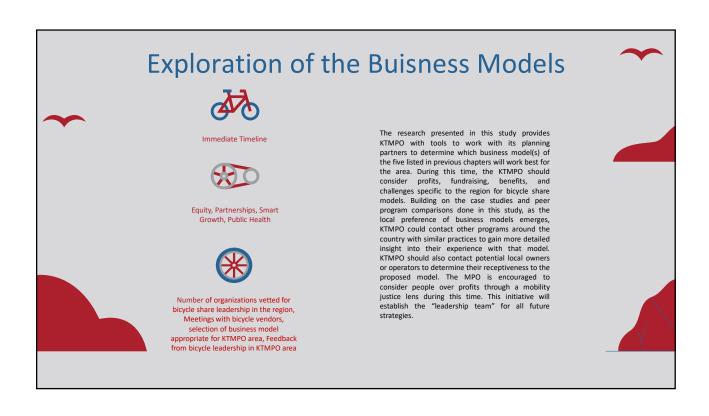






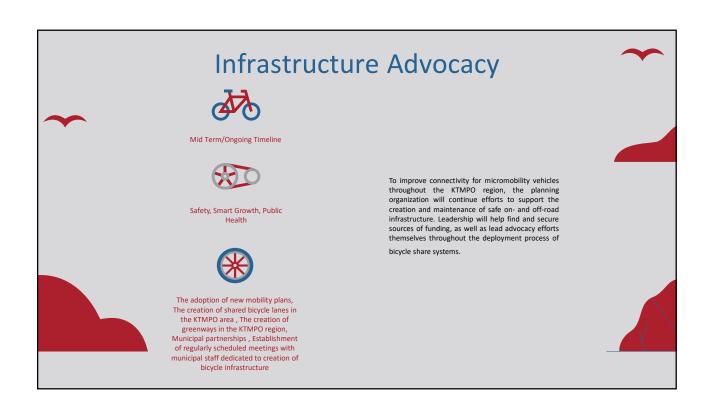


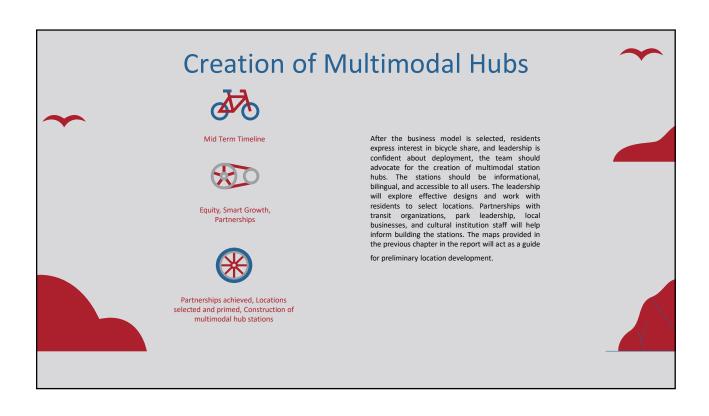


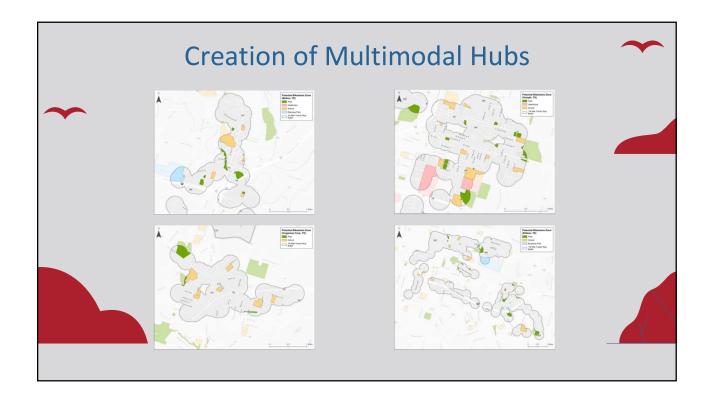


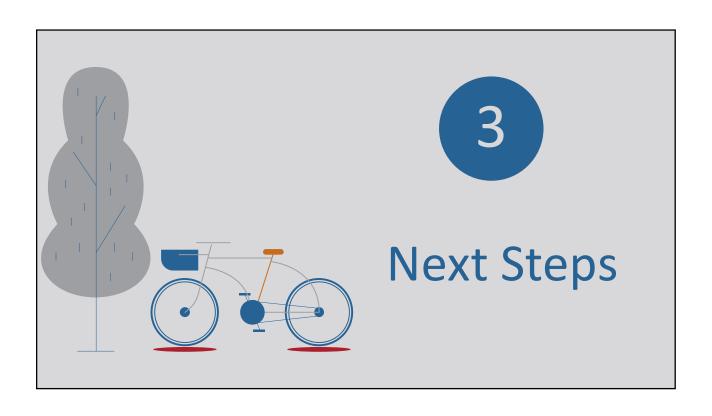


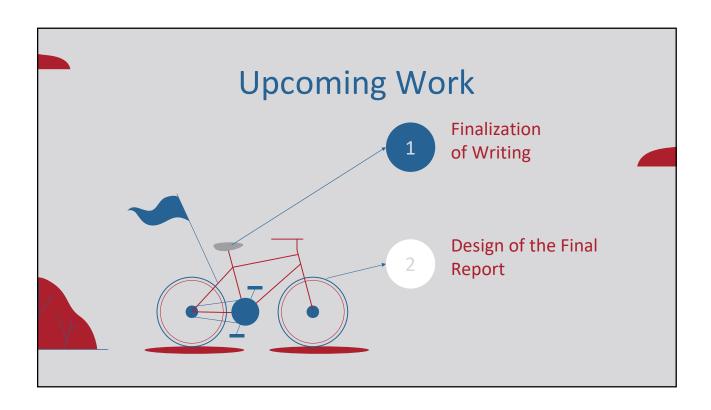


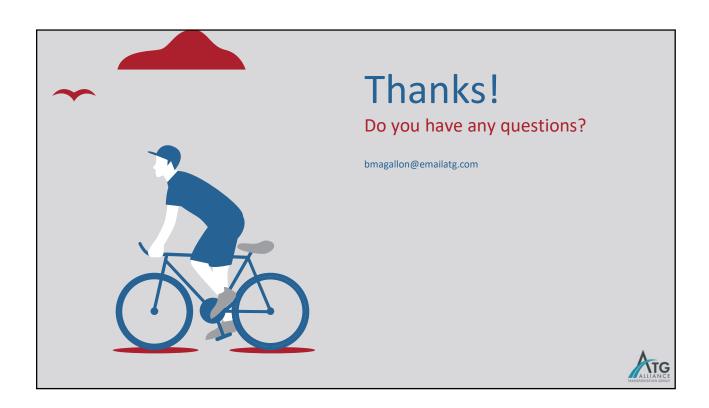














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Item 7: Love to Ride Presentation



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Love to Ride Presentation

Love to Ride is a company that seeks to get more people riding and riding more often for transportation. The company provides an online platform that encourages people to ride more while also collecting riding data to help planner's make better decisions regarding bicycle infrastructure planning.

A proven biking encouragement and behavior change platform creating and sustaining biking behavior change to meet active transportation, public health, and sustainability goals.

Laura Cisneros from Love to Ride will give a presentation on what Love to Ride is and how it can be beneficial for our communities. Ms. Cisneros as also provided the committee with a link to share a video that talks about engagement strategies.

Please click link: Love to Ride Video

Action Needed: No action needed; for discussion only.



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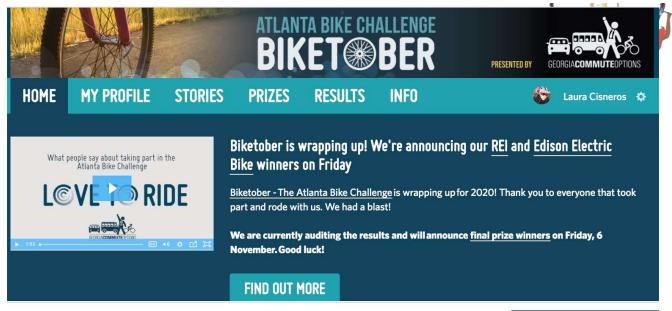








Using technology, data, and behavior change to help cities and organizations around the world create healthier, happier, more sustainable communities.



ACTIVITY



PHOTO GALLERY















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About

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Active in 12 countries, hundreds of cities and over 30,000 organizations around the world, Love to Ride is...

- ✓ A proven biking encouragement and behavior change platform creating and sustaining biking behavior change to meet active transportation, public health, and sustainability goals
- ✓ A turnkey challenge platform that unites neighbors, neighborhoods and communities under a single banner
- ✓ A data partner providing an on-going data and analysis help planners, program managers, and equity professionals understand and meet the needs of their community better in the future

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Love to Ride can help communities...







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✓ Accelerate biking and bike safety education and support the work of partner organization at the state and local levels

✓ Expand the reach and boost the effectiveness of transportation demand management and mobility programs

- ✓ Provide transportation planners and program managers with on-going data trip information, heatmapping, route comfort ratings and user insights
- ✓ Coordinate with local health departments to promote, encourage and engage individuals in area prevention programs
- ✓ Support the work of existing advocacy groups



Our Approach















Understand:

Via surveys, barrier and attitudinal insights, and ride behavior

Engage:

Using a combination of program design, gamification, and branding

Encourage:

With targeted automated messages, prompts, peer-to-peer high fives, announcements, and badges

Educate:

Providing biking and bike safety information and training via the web app, email communications, and announcements

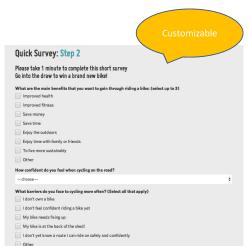
Track:

Via integrations with Strava, MapMyRide, Endomono and Ride Amigos & Agile Mile

Understand

Love to Ride first uses pre-registration surveys to gain behavioral and attitudinal insights that help the platform send them targeted and relevant messages designed to encourage riders based on their rider type, barriers, and benefit they seek.

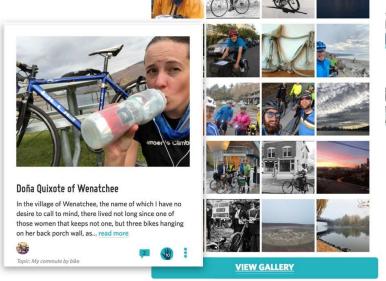




Engage

Love to Ride engages riders and non-riders alike with our fun, friendly challenges with prizes and rewards and with and with site feature like Stories and the Gallery.





Seattle from Gasworks Park, May 1, 2020

Engage — Standard Challenge Calendar



March

Ride Anywhere

Ride Anywhere is an encouragement and individual challenge campaign designed to encourage riders to take short trips for pleasure and transportation.



National Bike Challenge

May

Bike Month Challenge

A kick-off event for the National Bike Challenge, the Bike Month Challenge is a team challenge where friends, coworkers, families or neighbors from across the country ride, encourage other to ride, and enjoy some friendly competition.



September

Global Workplace Challenge

In this Global Workplace Challenge, organizations compete to see who can get the highest percentage of staff to ride throughout the month local organizations compete on local, USA-wide and global leaderboards.



December

Winter Wheelers

As the nights draw in and the cold starts to bite, Winter Wheelers supports people to ride in winter with top tips and a holiday calendar's worth of daily prizes, including quality cycling gear and beautiful bikes!







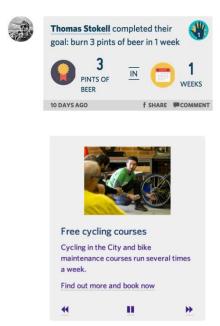




Encourage











Love to Ride puts a premium on education offering helpful biking basics tips, benefits of bike commuting on your health and pocket books but also local cycling details, and important biking safety information and education modules available online or in the new app.





Check your bike is ready to ride

See the 'ABC' quick bike check guide here.

Basic riding skills

...are essential before you go riding in traffic. Find somewhere nearby where you can ride without worrying about other vehicles so you can master the essentials – parks, trails, and quiet car parks or super quiet streets are ideal:











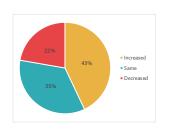


Track

Love to Ride collects rich cycling data from our challenge participants. From baseline registration surveys to tracking apps, Love to Ride collects qualitative and quantitative information that our clients use to inform biking and community health programs, intervention strategies, infrastructure planning.







Standard Data Package Includes:

- ✓ Email
- ✓ Baseline Survey Data Gender, Rider Type, Behavior, Barriers
- ✓ Trip Data
- ✓ Trip Type
- ✓ Challenge Champion

Enhanced Data Packages Can Include:

- Heatmaps
- Comfort Ratings
- ✓ Zip Code Analysis
- ✓ Employer Information
- ✓ Destination Pairs
- ✓ Pre & Post Reporting & Analysis
- ✓ And mores













Results

52%

of occasional riders logged a commute to work

Our approach achieves sustained behavior change. On average:



40% of non-cyclists start cycling weekly



31% of non-cyclists now cycle to work once a week



43% of occasional cyclists now cycle 2+ days/week



32% of non-commuting cyclists now cycle to work each week





















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Platform & Website

Our programs include a custom website and include organization profiles pages for area businesses, and profile pages for anyone participating. For regional or statewide programs we also offer optional "Child Sites" for cities and communities within the geographic boundary.

Local, Regional, or State Site

- ✓ Local businesses, organizations, and individuals to participate
- ✓ Distribute targeted education, marketing, and strategic communications
- ✓ Local leaderboards
- ✓ Local prizes & incentives
- ✓ On-going biking encouragement
- ✓ Local biking behavior and trip data
- ✓ Bike and bike safety education
- ✓ Prizes, incentives, and awards



Organization Profile Pages

- ✓ Shows the aggregate statistics, activity, and results for all businesses participating
- ✓ Shows an organization's progress while participating in the program
- ✓ Internal leaderboard and stats to keep staff
- ✓ Benefits, transportation, sustainability managers can monitor past + present performance by month, year, and by challenge



Personal Profile Page

- ✓ Individual can view stats and progress, set goals, achieve badges, add photos, invite friends and collages to join in too
- ✓ Join an organization, create a club or group, or both
- ✓ Log rides quickly and easily by linking to any app (Strava, Ride App, MapMyRide, etc.) or manually enter them
- ✓ Measure carbon saved
- ✓ Set goals, share stories













Data & Reporting









Love to Ride Insights Dashboard

The Insights Dashboard brings our data to life in a clear and visual way, is perfect for building into reports to all relevant stakeholders and dissecting further to gain a better understanding of who is riding, for what purpose, and when.

Fleur Ammerlaan - Love to Ride Behaviour Change & Insights Manager









Love to Ride Insights Dashboard

The new Insights Dashboard tracks your community's real-time data and makes it simple to understand. Instead of pouring over complex spreadsheets, you can pull up data in moments to share with stakeholders. Data such as transport trips recorded over time, rider engagement over time, gender breakdown, and much more can be seen in real-time and in a more visual format.







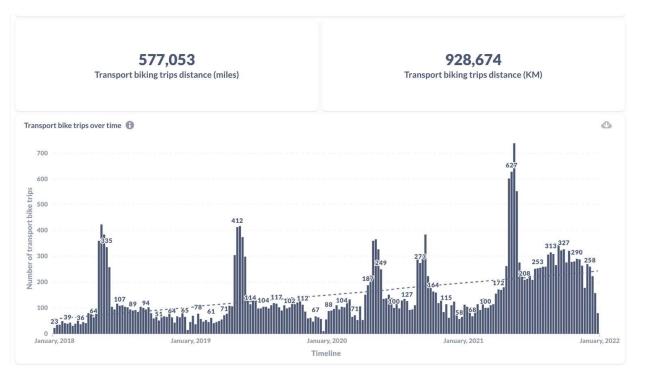






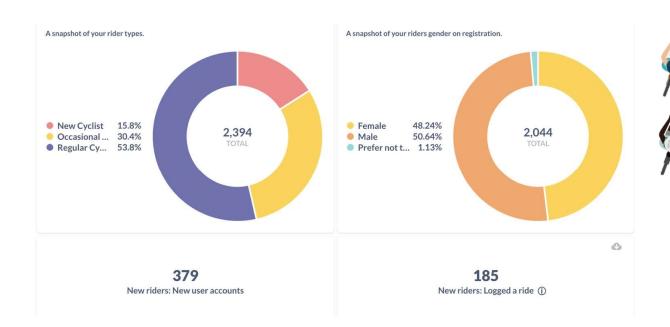
Love to Ride Insights Dashboard





Love to Ride Insights Dashboard















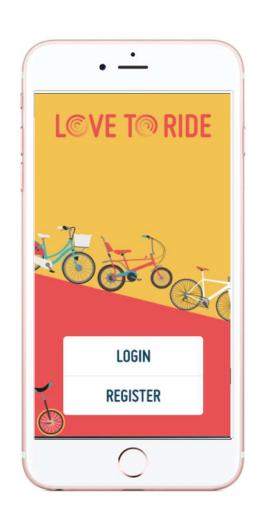
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Love to Ride App V.2 — Key Features and Benefits

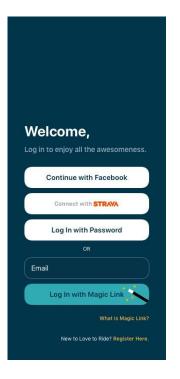
Along with passive tracking, route rating, and standard tracking features, the New Love to Ride App also has Behavior Change Tracking functionality that will allow cities to scientifically trial different approaches to different audiences while measuring effectively which approaches work. *Currently in closed BETA

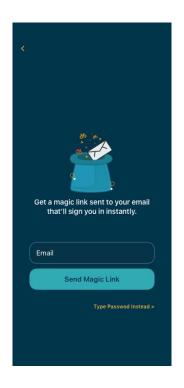
Automatic Tracking — Rider Benefits

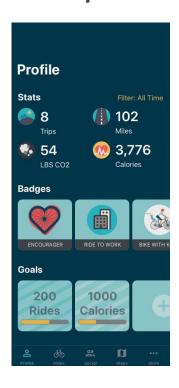
- 1. Automatically track your rides, your stats, and your progress towards your goals it's the 'Fitbit' for biking easy and automated.
- Automatically go into our prize drawings every time you ride is another entry, so the more you ride the more chances you have of winning.
- Automatically help make your area better for biking we aggregate and anonymize everyone's route data and provide a free heat map that planners and advocates can use to make biking in your area better.



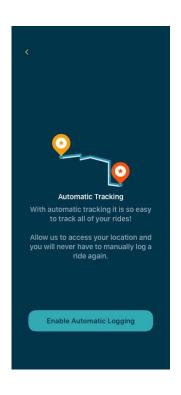
New App







New App









Rate Your Routes

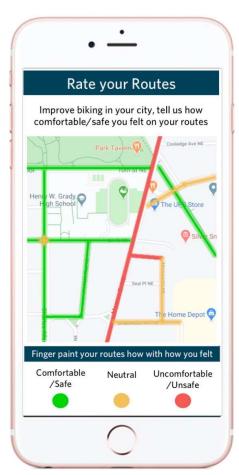
Every user has a personal heat map showing where they've ridden.

People can easily 'paint' their routes based on how comfortable / safe they felt on that stretch of your network.

People can zoom in and out of the map - to easily rate particular areas, e.g. rate an intersection or a particular stretch of road.

The map remembers their ratings, so people just need to rate any new roads/paths that they've ridden on.

Users can also update their ratings as the network infrastructure improves.











View aggregated and anonymized heat map and stress maps.

Filter trip data by rider type, e.g. see how 'new riders' rate segments of your infrastructure compared to regular riders.

This data will help you to make the business case for investment on certain parts of your network to law makers, local businesses, residents.





Quick Courses













What are quick courses?

- Short courses on specific subjects that help to educate people about the various aspects of riding a bike.
- They take between 2-5 minutes to complete
- They are made up of a number of steps.
- Completing these courses is easy, quick, fun, and engaging.



Quick Courses



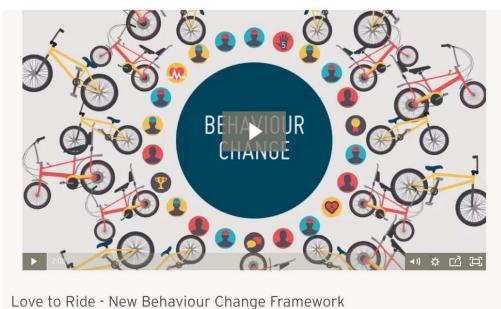






About Behavior Change





Marketing Support

Every main promotional campaign comes with its own Promo Pack to share an overview and context, focus on the issues, provide useful content and give you some quick and fast tools to best promote your Love to Ride program.

Promo Pack will include:

- ✓ Promotion overview
- ✓ Press Release
- ✓ Range of email templates
- ✓ Selection of Social Media memes and graphics
- ✓ Links to new Marketing Materials
- ✓ Email footers and other promotional graphics

*examples shown are customized



We'd love the opportunity to work with you!

The Love to Ride platform and challenger program provide the perfect combination of incentives and encouragement for a comprehensive program. With our track record, experience and expertise, we are confident that we can help you create a safer, healthier, and more sustainable bike-friendly city.





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Item 8:

Local Update on Bicycle and Pedestrian Activities



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Local Update on Bicycle and Pedestrian Activities

Local updates on bicycle and pedestrian activities are a standing item for staff and BPAC members to discuss and share information regarding recent local and regional Bicycle and Pedestrian events, activities, news, etc.

Below are some recent events that staff are aware of:

- Texas 4000 ATLAS Ride- June 4 in Lampasas (<u>Link</u>)
- HEB Plus Summer Run to Fun 5K- June 18-June 20 in Copperas Cove (Link)
- Texas Farm Bureau Insurance 16th Annual Hot 2 Trot 5K- July 16 in Temple (Link)
- Caliente 5K- August 6 in Killeen (Link)
- Cove House Classic Bike Tour- August 13 in Copperas Cove (<u>Link</u>)
- Mental Health Awareness 5K fun run/walk August 20 in Killeen (<u>Link</u>)
- Fox Trot CENTEX Race Series- September 24 in Nolanville (<u>Link</u>)

Sun County Cycle posts a weekly event schedule on their Facebook page.

Action Needed: No action needed; for discussion only.

Item 9: Public Input



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Public Input Received

KTMPO has been collecting public comments received online, via emails, public hearings, meetings, social media accounts, web maps and other forms of communication. Staff bring these to the BPAC, TAC and TPPB on a regular basis to ensure the MPO boards are aware of public concerns and have the opportunity to respond accordingly. Public input received through the previous month is included in meeting packet.

Action Needed: No action needed; for discussion only.



KTMPO Public Comments

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FY22 Date Name Means of Public Comment Public Comment			
Public Comment Topio	Jurisdiction		
Roadway	Copperas Cove		



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Upcoming Webinars & Grant Opportunities

Upcoming Webinars

Upcoming webinars regarding bicycle and pedestrian transportation are listed below. All of these webinars are free to the public.

 Wilderness Trails: Special Places, Special Considerations December 1st (<u>Link</u>)

Upcoming Conference

Texas Trails and Active Transportation Conference- Recording

- Accessible on October 29, 2022
- Link to access TTAT Conference 2022

Grant Opportunities

The Texas Department of Agriculture administers the Community Development Fund, which is the largest fund category in the TxCDBG Program. Funds may be used for public infrastructure, street and drainage improvements, and various other opportunities. More information regarding this grant may be found here:

Community Development Block Grant Program (Link)

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department administers the National Recreational Trails Fund in Texas under the approval of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). This federally funded program receives its funding from a portion of federal gas taxes paid on fuel used in non-highway recreational vehicles. More information regarding this grant may be found below:

Community Outdoor Outreach Program Grant (Link)

This grant provides funding to tax-exempt organizations for programming that engages under-served populations in TPWD mission-oriented outdoor recreation, conservation, and environmental education activities.

Deadline: November 1st (annually)

Award Amount: \$5,000-\$60,000. This is a reimbursement grant program.

Local Parks Grant (Link)

This grant assists with the acquisition and/or development of public recreation areas and facilities. All grant assisted sites must be dedicated as parkland, be properly maintained, and open to the public.

Deadline: October 1st (annually)

Max Award Amount: \$1.5 million for urban areas, \$750,000 for non-urban areas, and \$150,000 for small community recreation.

Match: up to 50%

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Land & Conservation Fund (LWCF)

Enacted in 1965, the program was made permanent in 2019, and received full and dedicated funding in 2020. Beginning in FY 2021, LWCF will be appropriated at the mandatory \$900 million, split into federal land acquisition, and the stateside program and is funded by profits from offshore oil and gas leasing. The program was created to preserve outdoor recreation and ensure future generations have the opportunity to enjoy the outdoors.

How Much? 2021 legislation would increase to \$250M annually.

Who's Eligible? The RTP provides funds to the States to develop and maintain recreational trails and trail-related facilities for motorized and non-motorized recreational trail uses.

Timeline Grant process schedules vary widely.

Types of Projects Since 1991, more than 22,000 RTP-funded projects have been documented nationwide with details available on the RTP database: www.recreationaltrailsinfo. org.

State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plans (SCORP)

The above programs (RTP, LWCF Stateside) are state matching grants and therefore distributed by individual states. States strive to use the SCORP as a guide for setting funding priorities.

How Much? The program is funded by dedicated but fluctuating USFS dollars and is managed by the National Wilderness Stewardship Alliance.

Who's Eligible? Grants are available to any diverse trail and stewardship non-profit organization recognized by the IRS.

Timeline Grants are awarded through an annual spring competitive application process.

Public Lands Legacy Restoration Fund

The Great American Outdoors Act provides for up to \$1.9 billion a year for five years to help address a multi-billion-dollar deferred maintenance backlog at national parks, on other public lands, and at tribal schools. The new Legacy Restoration Fund will allow the Forest Service to improve critical infrastructure that is essential to the use and enjoyment of national forests and grasslands. The Forest Service receives 15 percent of all LRF funds, and for FY21 has received \$285 million for deferred maintenance projects. The agency is preparing for up to \$285 million of LRF funding to be allocated to the agency annually in the FY22 - FY25 budgets.

The largest account for **BLM** is Management of Lands and Resources which in FY 2020 was over \$1.2 billion. This account manages the recreation portfolio, energy and minerals, rangelands, endangered species, among other issues.

The most prominent recreation components administered by the **Fish and Wildlife Service** are the Pittman-Robertson Act, and the Dingell Johnson Act. These programs directly fund conservation and recreation projects.

The largest appropriation for the **NPS** goes to park operations which include resource stewardship, visitor services, park protection, facility operations, etc.

The **USFS** account that focuses on recreation is the National Forests System which was set at \$1.9 billion for FY 2020.

How Much? \$900 Million from federal offshore drilling fees. The minimum/maximum grant request for Land and Water Conservation Funds is \$100k - \$750k.

Who's Eligible? Only Local, County, & State governments are eligible, mountain bikers must work in partnership

Timeline Application Deadlines are generally at the end of November.

Types of Projects Construction, Maintenance, Planning/ Support Applications

Recreational Trails Program (RTP)

RTP is an excise tax of 18.4% through the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) that non-highway recreational users pay at the gas pump to develop and maintain outdoor recreational trails. Currently the maximum is set at \$84 million per year. The minimum match varies and is set by each state. The program has been in existence since 1991 and has funded over 25,000 projects benefiting both non-motorized and motorized users. Introduced legislation would expand the program from \$84 million to more than \$250 million.

Who's Eligible? Each state is required by law to produce a SCORP to be eligible for these resources.

Timeline Each state must develop or update their SCORP every five (5) years.

Types of Projects These plans are usually general in nature and not project specific, but rather creates guidelines for projects to be considered.

National Forest System Trails Stewardship Partner Funding Program Grants

This program came out of the National Forest System Trails Stewardship Act that passed Congress in 2016 which IMBA helped draft and usher through Congress.

How Much? \$285 M allocated for this program annually to USFS through 2025. \$1.6 B allocated for this program annually to DOI agencies through 2025.

Who's Eligible? Federal Lands Management Agencies: NPS, FWS, USFS, BLM, Bureau of Indian Education and other federal agencies under USDA and DOI.

Types of Projects The USFS has identified a broad mix of critical infrastructure projects to reduce its deferred maintenance backlog while improving the quality of the visitor experience and contributing to local economies.

Congressional Appropriations

Each Federal land agency has a federal appropriation that fills their coffers specifically for recreation purposes, and some have special funds that are directed specifically at certain programs. The following are the agencies that are included in the yearly appropriation process:

- Bureau of Land Management (BLM)
- Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS)
- National Park Service (NPS)
- United States Forest Service (USFS)

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