

D | Local Bicycle Networks

AS EXPLAINED IN CHAPTER 6, THE COUNTYWIDE BICYCLE NETWORK (CBN) is meant to be the primary, countywide, system of bicycling corridors that connect all the major destinations in Contra Costa. It is intended to be a planning and prioritization tool for directing efforts where they will provide the greatest benefit to the county's bicyclists.

However, the CBN encompasses only a portion of the existing, planned or proposed bikeways in the county. There are numerous additional bikeways which serve primarily local purposes and which are part of secondary, or local, networks designated by local jurisdictions through their planning processes. As mentioned in Chapter 6, "Bicycle Facilities," the CBN includes approximately 650 miles of bikeways, of which 310 miles is existing. By contrast, the local networks encompass approximately 1,067 miles, of which almost 470 miles is existing.

These local bikeway networks are shown on the maps on the following pages. As can be seen from the maps, these networks fill in the CBN with a denser set of connecting routes to work, school, shop-

ping, transit and other destinations. The Authority is committed to updating these maps (as well as of the CBN) at least every two years, based on new information provided by local jurisdictions, other agencies and project sponsors. The Authority is also committed to making the maps available to the public on its website.

Since they provide essential connections for bicyclists, the local facilities shown on the maps in this appendix are consistent with the purposes and goals of the CBPP. They are therefore eligible for funding under Measure J and other funding sources administered by the Authority, provided that they are part of an adopted local or regional plan or in the adopted plan of a special agency or district.

NOTE: Maps of existing and planned local bikeways are available for download on the Authority's website: www.ccta.net.