

RE: comment on Draft Plan Bay Area 2050

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As a follow-up on the comment below, please add **trails** pretty much anywhere roads are mentioned. I'll send more specific examples if I have time, but I likely won't get through the entire document, so please do a search and replace "road" with "trail and road" throughout.

Thanks!
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From: Cherie Walkowiak

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Hello,

Please remember that trails are a vital part of the transportation network, with thousands of people commuting by bike in the bay area every day. With that in mind, please consider adding the text in **bold** below to this page: https://www.planbayarea.org/sites/default/files/documents/2021-05/Draft_PBA2050_Transportation_May2021.pdf

Page 1:

The network of roads, **trails** and transit routes crisscrossing the Bay Area makes it possible for residents and visitors to take millions of trips every day, whether commuting to work or school, shopping at local businesses, or meeting up with family and friends.

Compared to today, the transportation system will carry millions more passengers on its trains, ferries, buses, **trails**, and roads, but more people may telecommute as well.

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Hello,

If possible, I would love to see a [Traffic Garden](#) or [Safety Town](#) somewhere in the Bay Area, which would serve as a space where people of all ages, abilities and income levels can learn how to be safe cyclists and pedestrians, in a safe but very real life setting. Educating people how to walk and bike safely will give them the skills they need if they want to reduce their carbon emissions by walking/biking instead of driving. Kids from all over the region could come here on field trips. If there was a fleet of bicycles, adults could come here to rent a bike and learn to ride.

It would ideally be easily accessible regionally by train or transit, and locally accessible by bike. It would be a mini streetscape with sidewalks, a rail road crossing, working traffic lights, crosswalks, stop signs, and a bike lane where students need to avoid a parked car driver opening its door. It should be appealing with beautiful landscaping, shade trees and bioswales. It will need a classroom, fleet of bicycles, and shaded picnic benches so kids on a field trip can eat their snack or lunch

Identifying a space for this education to take place would be an invaluable resource. Ensuring a curriculum and someone to deliver it is fundamental. This would be an expensive endeavor, so partnerships with Counties, Cities, Offices of Education, Safe Routes to School programs, bicycle coalitions, and/or local businesses would be crucial.

Thank you for considering.
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Hello,

On this page:

https://www.planbayarea.org/sites/default/files/documents/2021-05/Draft_PBA2050_Transportation_May2021.pdf

Page 3:

Please add the edit in **bold** below:

1. Maintain and optimize the existing transportation system: First and foremost, the plan ensures that our existing system of transit routes, **trails**, roads and bridges will be maintained, laying a strong foundation for further investments and policies...

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question on how to submit a comment

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Hello,

I'd like to submit comments about the Draft Plan Bay Area 2050 document online, but the online comment submittal process is not obvious. There is a space for comments at the bottom of this (<https://www.planbayarea.org/draftplan2050>) and other pages, but then the button below it says "Sign me up."

This is confusing.

If I click that button, what would I be signing up for? And if I click the "Sign me up" button, are my comments being sent to the person collecting comments about the draft or to the person who administers the thing I'm signing up for?

Suggestion: Make this process clear by providing a "Submit Comment about the Draft" (or simply "Submit Comment") button.

If you want people to sign up for something, that should have its own, separate button, and you should tell people what they are signing up for above the button.

Thank you for considering my suggestions.

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