7th Street Quick-Build Safety Project





The 7th Street Quick-Build Safety Project is in support of San Francisco's Vision Zero commitment of eliminating all traffic deaths and serious injuries. This street is on the City's High Injury Network, which are the 13 percent of city streets that account for 75 percent of San Francisco's traffic crashes. Over the past five years, 74 collisions occured on 7th Street between Folsom and Townsend resulting in injuries. As an important link in the bicycle network, the goal of this project is to increase safety and comfort for everyone traveling along the corridor.

Project Goals

The 7th Street Quick-Build Safety Project is part of the SFMTA's Quick-Build strategy, which seeks to streamline project delivery and installing critical safety improvements more quickly, especially at locations with a history of severe or fatal crashes. We plan to achieve the project goal by:

- Providing high-quality, protected facilities for vulnerable road users
- Implementing improvements quickly and effectively
- Evaluate changes and adjust project design, as needed
- Upgrading improvements as opportunities arise

Timeline

The SFMTA is using a phased approach to implement comprehensive safety improvements over time on both 7th Street and 8th Street, starting with the implementation of quick-build traffic safety improvements.

- August 2016 August 2019: 7th Street from Market to Folsom & Townsend to 16th and 8th Street from Market to Townsend
- September 2019 Winter 2019: Design and Community Outreach
- Winter 2019 Public Hearing
- Spring 2020 Construction of 7th Street from Folsom to Townsend
- Summer 2020 Evaluation





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SFMTA is currently working on implementing quick-build traffic safety improvements on 7th Street between Folsom Street and Townsend Street, as part of the City's Vision Zero commitment to prioritize traffic safety and eliminate all traffic-related fatalities and serious injuries. This continues the buildout of the city's protected bikeway network by connecting protected bike lanes north of Folsom and south of Townsend.

What's new



Boarding Islands

Concrete islands will be installed at locations with passenger loading activity, such as bus stops and schools, to provide dedicated space for people waiting.

Bus Stop Relocation

Muni 19 Polk inbound passengers will board on a new bus boarding island on Townsend Street west of 7th Street. The bus stop on 7th Street north of Townsend Street is proposed for removal.

Travel Lane Reduction

The number of vehicle travel lanes will be reduced from four to three to encourage driving at safer speeds.

Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements

Bike lanes on 7th Street will be upgraded with physical protection to provide a more safe, comfortable, and consistent biking environment.

New safety improvements will also provide more separation from moving vehicles and increase visibility at intersections.

Curb Management Improvements

Changes will be made to existing colored curbs and on-street parking to help facilitate loading demand and assist loading activities.

All businesses, institutions, and residential complexes on the project corridor are invited to take the loading survey on the project webpage to inform the curb management plan.





