

Vision Zero Quick-Build Project Updates

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Under Construction

Per the City and County of San Francisco’s Public Health Order, essential infrastructure projects, including some of our quick-builds, are able to continue construction work. The SFMTA continues to monitor projects as the situation develops.

California Street

Work has begun to transform the roadway from four lanes to three, including one lane in each direction and a flexible center turn lane. Other improvements such as daylighting, high-visibility crosswalks, and pavement marking will be installed as part of the project.

Townsend Street

Construction recently restarted to continue work between 3rd and 4th streets as well as 7th and 8th streets, which is focused on installing a transit boarding island for the Muni 19 and the 10 lines. Once completed, the new boarding island will reduce the need for buses to pull in and out of travel lanes, as well as provide additional protection to people biking.

The Embarcadero

Paving for construction has begun to take shape, on the block between Mission and Howard streets. New striping will be installed, and construction of the bikeway between Mission and Harrison streets will start next month.

Mission Street & Geneva Avenue

Muni bus zones at Mission Street & Persia Street and Geneva Avenue & Naples Street have been relocated in preparation for further construction. Incoming quick-build improvements include painted safety zones and curb management enhancements.

For more information, come check out each individual project’s page at sfmta.com/quickbuild.



Upcoming Events

Folsom Street

As the SFMTA resumes regular quick-build work in combination with responding to the COVID-19 emergency, we want to continue emphasizing public outreach as a key component of our projects. Given restrictions on large gatherings and meetings, we are exploring how to engage with communities in ways that are still accessible and representative.

The Folsom Street Quick-Build Project, which spans from 2nd Street to 5th Street, will be piloting a new form of public hearing that takes place online. Using interactive features such as story maps and survey tools, members of the community will be able to access a virtual open house for the project.

For more updates, subscribe to the email list on the project website at www.sfmta.com/folsomquickbuild.



Design Spotlight: Two-Way Bikeways

Two-way bikeways provide physically separated spaces for people using bicycles to travel in both directions on one side of the road. Protected two-way bikeways dedicate space for bicyclists, improve perceived comfort, and reduce the risk of conflicts with vehicles.

Design Considerations

- Different kinds of barriers can be used to separate the bikeway from vehicle travel lanes. Physical barriers include concrete or safe-hit posts. Other barriers can be created via different means, such as moving the parking lane away from the curb to create space for the bikeway.
- Other safety elements may also be installed in tandem with protected bikeways, such as dashed markings, daylighting, protected corners, or bike signals. These components help separate vehicles and the two-way bike traffic.
- Pedestrian features can also be included with protected bikeways, such as raised crossings and railings.



Projects in Progress

This summer, we are installing a two-way protected bikeway along **The Embarcadero** waterfront, the **3rd Street** bridge, and **Beale Street**.

Completed Projects

As part of the quick-build project on **Indiana Street**, we installed a two-way bikeway protected by safe-hit posts and paint. While evaluation is still ongoing, preliminary analysis shows that upon implementation, the number of bicyclists significantly increased during peak commute hours.

