Cayuga Area Upgrades Livable Streets + 'Transform the Storm'

The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) is teaming up with the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC). This collaboration will add traffic calming and green infrastructure at select intersections along Cayuga Slow Street and nearby. This project aims to make the corridor and its connections safer, greener, and more welcoming.

This spring and summer, city staff will engage with the community to shape future changes. Your input is key as we look into traffic safety upgrades and green infrastructure.

Background

The Livable Streets section of the SFMTA leads citywide projects and programming to create safe and inviting streets for all.

Transform the Storm is a city-wide effort led by the SFPUC to align opportunities to manage stormwater and deliver quality of life benefits such as greening, traffic calming, and urban habitat.

The Livable Streets and Transform the Storm collaboration seeks to leverage each agency's expertise and experience to achieve better outcomes than if these programs advanced on their own.





Located in the Upper Islais Creek watershed close to schools, transit and key commercial corridors, the Cayuga Slow Street area provides a unique opportunity for Livable Streets and Transform the Storm to deliver on shared priorities: greener, safer, and more resilient neighborhoods and public spaces.

Visit SFMTA.com/CayugaSlowStreet for additional project details.





Traffic Safety

This project will provide new traffic calming measures at select intersections along Cayuga Slow Street and may include upgrading previously installed measures (like roadway striping, plastic posts and signs) with more permanent and effective materials.

Potential upgrades include:

- Additional traffic calming for cross-streets, school zones
- Concrete islands for Slow Street signage and traffic diverter(s)
- Intersection daylighting (red zones for better visibility)
- Wider sidewalks and shorter crossings at proposed green infrastructure locations



Potential diverter upgrade at Geneva/Cayuga

Green Infrastructure

'Transform the Storm' is a program that implements **Green Infrastructure** to take advantage of the natural processes of soils and plants to slow down and filter stormwater and keep it from exceeding the capacity of our sewer system. The SFMTA and SFPUC have spent the last year conducting technical analysis of the Upper Islais Creek watershed to identify potential opportunities. At least four sites in the area are high priority candidates for green infrastructure upgrades.

Green infrastructure upgrades are proposed at the following locations:

- Cayuga & Ocean/Santa Ynez
- Alemany & Ottawa/Huron
- Oneida between San Jose and Otsego
- Capsitrano & Santa Ysabel

Improving these locations helps achieve traffic safety and public realm benefits in addition to stormwater capture goals.



Example of a sidewalk 'raingarden' and permeable paving

Transform the Storm





