

March 2022

# March Presentation: Caltrans Active Transportation Plan and Complete Streets Efforts

Speaker: Cuong Phu Trinh, Senior Transportation Planner- Active Transportation and Complete Streets/ Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator, Caltrans District 7



Cuong Phu Trinh is a Senior Transportation Planner for Active Transportation and Complete Streets and the Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator at Caltrans District 7, serving Los Angeles and Ventura counties. His role is instrumental in the development of the Caltrans District 7 Active Transportation Plan, as well as scoping of Complete Streets elements into new and existing Caltrans projects to improve safety and address non-motorized transportation gaps across State highways. One project he's looking forward to is the completion of a 25-mile long (Class 2, 3 and 4) bicycle facility in 2022, that he helped scope and develop with the highway maintenance division immediately after

## Speaker Bio:

onboarding into his permanent District 7 assignment.

Prior to Caltrans, Cuong worked in his hometown, the City of Rancho Cucamonga, where he came in as an intern in 2013 to assist with the Healthy RC initiative, build the City's Safe Routes to School program and worked on the project team to create the city's Circulation Master Plan for Bicyclists and Pedestrians. Nearing the end of his term as Caltrans had extended an employment offer, he wrote (and won) a SCAG Active Transportation Demonstration Project application to bring an open streets event to the streets around Terra Vista Town Center, as well as wrote (and won) the League of American Bicyclists' Bicycle Friendly Community designation, highlighting the city's commitment to build places more welcoming to those who ride a bicycle.

Cuong received his Master in Urban and Regional Planning degree at California State Polytechnic University, Pomona where his research focused on advocacy influencing access to public transportation.

#### MARCH MEETING

March 24, 2022 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

Fees:

#### Member - FREE

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Please register via Eventbrite at:

https://OCTEC-MAR 2022.eventbrite.com

#### Registration Ends 3/23 @ 5 pm

If you have any questions, please contact Adrian Rodriguez, at arodriguez@newportbeachca.gov

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# **OCTEC NEWS**



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Eventbrite Registration: <u>octec-golf2022.eventbrite.com</u>

Please contact Ron Keith (ronkeith3939@att.net) - OCTEC Golf Chair for more information. Thank you for your support and we look forward to seeing you there!

# LOCAL, REGIONAL & NATIONAL NEWS

#### Proposed Metro FY22-23 Budget: Increase Freeway Dr. Ruiz Secures Over \$17 Million In Federal Funding Widening, Decrease Transit Construction **For Clean Transportation**

In a report to the Metro board Finance, Budget, and Audit Washington, D.C. - Today, Congressman Raul Ruiz, M.D. (CA-36), Committee yesterday, Metro staff gave an early preview of the SunLine Transit Agency (SunLine), and Riverside Transit Agency proposed budget for Metro's next fiscal year, which starts in (RTA) announced that \$17 million in federal funding is on its way July. In May, the board will vote on the roughly \$8 billion overall to California's 36th Congressional District to expand access to FY22-23 budget. While the full budget figures are still in flux, the clean, reliable transportation. Dr. Ruiz advocated for the funding current proposal shows a 30 percent increase in freeway expan- through the Federal Transit Agency's (FTA) Buses and Bus Facilision and a 9 percent decrease in transit expansion.

This year's proposed 30 percent increase comes on top of an 80 percent increase in last year's Highway Expansion budget.

- FY20-21 (approved) \$264 million
- FY21-22 (approved) \$475.1 million 80 percent increase Active Transportation Program Update: Cycle 6 Now from prior
- FY22-23 (proposed) \$617.2 million 30 percent increase from prior
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### California's AVTA Becomes 1st North American This week's meeting of the California Transportation Commis-Transit Agency to Hit 100% Electric Goal

Calif.'s Antelope Valley Transit Authority (AVTA) board, along lines for the next cycle of funding. with the California Air Resources Board (CARB), hosted a celebration recognizing AVTA for becoming the first all-electric transit agency in North America.

AVTA received its 20th electric MCI coach for their commuter routes. The addition of these buses to AVTA's fleet of BYD zeroemission buses, enables the agency to place into service a 100% zero-emission transit fleet.

"Long before we saw an electric bus rolling down the streets of ries, with half going to a statewide competition, ten percent to the Antelope Valley, the AVTA Board envisioned a future with a small urban and rural areas, and forty percent to the larger metgreener and technologically superior transit system serving the ropolitan areas... [Continue here] citizens of Lancaster, Palmdale, and the rural northern Los Angeles County communities," said AVTA Chairman of the Board Marvin Crist. "The board cast a vision and the AVTA staff, working together with BYD and many other electric vehicle and system providers, brought that vision to life."....[Continue here]

ties Grant program. The funding will help SunLine and RTA bring safe, environmentally friendly transportation to residents in the 36th District by purchasing new hydrogen fuel cell buses, rehabilitating natural gas transit buses, and advancing the construction of hydrogen fueling stations. .....[Continue here]

# **Open for Applications**

The California Transportation Commission adopted ATP guidelines, officially opening application period for Cycle 6 funding

sion (CTC), staff gave an update on the current status of the Active Transportation Program, and the CTC adopted new guide-

With that, the application period for Cycle 6 is officially open. The updated guidelines and scoring rubrics will be available soon at the ATP website; the deadline for applications is June 15.

Staff estimate that there will be about \$651 million available for Cycle 6 – which covers four years beginning in 2023 – from all sources, including S.B. 1 and the Federal Transportation Alternatives Program. The funding will be distributed in three catego-

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#### City of Irvine- Signal Maintenance Superintendent

The City of Irvine is seeking a seasoned and innovative professional to lead the City's Signal Maintenance division. The Signal Maintenance Superintendent oversees the City's signal maintenance engineers, analysts, technicians, and specialists and is responsible for fiscal and procurement management. Registration as a Professional Engineer in the State of California is required. For more information, please refer to this link: [Continue here]

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#### Linscott, Law, & Greenspan (LLG) - Transportation Engineer

Linscott, Law & Greenspan Engineers (LLG) is currently seeking a Transportation Engineer to join our office in Irvine, California. The gualified candidate should have 1 to 5 years of transporta-

Please contact Olga Polunin or any Board member if you have any job listings that you would like posted to the OCTEC website or included in the next month's OCTEC newsletter.

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OCTEC has open positions for Webmaster and one Social Media Chair available.

Contact any of the board members if you are interested in joining the OCTEC Team.

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