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Protected Bikeways

Growing the Bicycle Network

Increasing bicycle travel is one of many ways the City of San Diego is meeting its Climate Action Plan targets to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The City continues to promote and encourage bicycle travel for transportation and recreation by expanding the bicycle network.

Downtown Network of Protected Bikeways

Protected Bikeways are exclusive bicycle facilities that create a path physically separated from motor traffic and distinct from the sidewalk. The City broke ground on Phase 1 of the Downtown Protected Bikeway Network in December 2018. Phases 2 and 3 of the nine-mile network are expected to take about three years to complete.

New Features

Protected Bikeways (or cycle tracks) have new features that might not be familiar to users or drivers. These features include dedicated space for people on bikes separated by a physical barrier, parked cars or a combination of both. They can also feature bicycle-specific signals at intersections and may allow travel in both directions. Parking by vehicles is prohibited within the protected bikeways but they are available for use by dockless devices including motorized scooters.







Learn More

The Downtown Protected Bikeway Network is part of the Downtown Mobility Plan, adopted by City Council in 2016. The plan envisions the development of active transportation facilities that will involve the repurposing of Downtown's roadways with landscaping and greenery, providing streets where pedestrians and cyclists feel safe, and integrating a strong network of protected bikeways so that bicycle travel is a viable transit option for residents and visitors. To keep up with the City's Bicycle Program, visit www.sandiego.gov/Bicycling.