

East Francisco Boulevard Corridor Study/Phase I Construction

Project Number: 2000

~~PROJECT~~ PROJECT COMPLETED: APRIL, 2010



LOCATION

East Francisco Boulevard/Grand Avenue between Second Street and Bellam Boulevard

COST

\$500,000

FUNDING SOURCES

NTPP \$500,000

COMPLETION DATE

April, 2010

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

As envisioned, an improved eight-to-ten foot sidewalk will be constructed on the north side of the roadway between Bellam Boulevard and Second Street, replacing the existing narrow sidewalk and relocating obstructions including lampposts and fire hydrants out of the way. This project funded design and development of construction documents for the entire corridor, as well as construction of Phase 1.

As part of the Highway 101/580/Bellam interchange improvements, Bellam Boulevard from East Francisco to Andersen Drive was identified for sidewalk widening as well. Construction in this corridor has been broken into two phases. The first phase constructed the section between Bellam Boulevard and Vivian Way as well as the Bellam Boulevard segment funded with, and as part of, the interchange project. Construction of Phase 2, from Vivian Way to Second Street was funded in August, 2011.

POINTS OF INTEREST

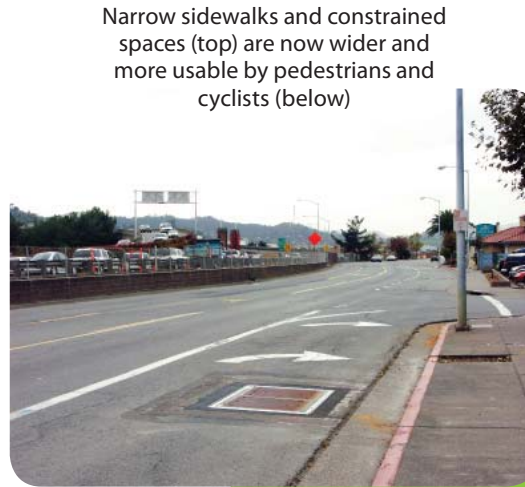
This corridor is the primary access for Canal residents to get to Montecito shopping center, the San Rafael Transit Center, and downtown San Rafael. Due to the traffic volumes, many cyclists ride on the existing, narrow sidewalk in this corridor, creating conflicts with the many pedestrians that also travel through this area.

STATUS

Final project design complete. Phase 1 has been constructed. For information on Phase 2, see Project 2020 – East Francisco Construction.

Revised January, 2012

Narrow sidewalks and constrained spaces (top) are now wider and more usable by pedestrians and cyclists (below)



The new path/walkway (below) accommodates multiple user groups which previously were in conflict, especially when approaching each other from different directions (top).

For questions, please contact Leslie Blomquist, San Rafael Department of Public Works at leslieblomquist@cityofsanrafael.org or 415. 485. 3473