BIKE NETWORK RECOMMENDATIONS

WHY BIKE?

NETWORK

Bike network improvements support a better connected, more complete bike network in Milpitas. The identified improvements create safer routing options through a variety of on-street facilities and provide connections to transit, jobs, commercial centers, and educational opportunities. Neighborhood routes offer alternatives to high-speed roadways, while increased separation on key corridors support cross-town connections. The paved pathway network, displayed on the map below, is a vital component of a lowstress network; for more details on proposed pathways and associated trail facilities, please see the Trail Recommendations boards.

PROPOSED BIKE FACILITIES **EXISTING BIKE FACILITIES** BACKGROUND PROPOSED BICYCLE Bike Lane Connectivity Class I: Paved Shared Use Path BART Station

Class II: Bike Lane

Class III: Bike Route

— Unpaved Trails

Class IIB: Buffered Bike Lane

Light Rail Station

Public Parks

Schools

Water

Intersection Connectivity

--- Class II: Bike Lane

--- Class I: Paved Shared Use Path

--- Class IIB: Buffered Bike Lane

Class IIIB: Bike Boulevard

--- Class IV: Cycle Track

WHAT WE HEARD:

- Increase connections to destinations, including commercial centers, transit, and jobs
- Improve safety of on street network through increased separation, slower traffic speeds, and improved crossings
- Support low stress bikeways on neighborhood roadways
- Improve connections to trails

BIKE FACILITY TYPES



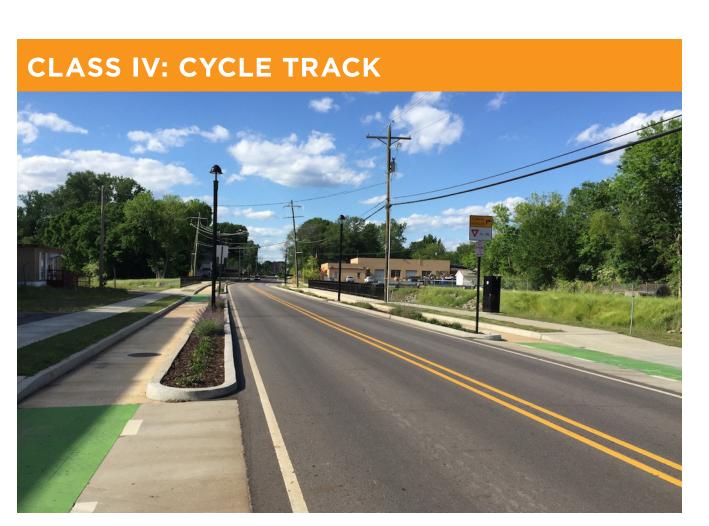
- Completely separated from the roadway
- Typically shared with bicyclists and pedestrians
- Comfortable for people of all ages and abilities



- Calm, local roadways that prioritize bicycle travel through traffic calming features such as traffic diverters and speed humps
- Comfortable for a wide range of ages and abilities



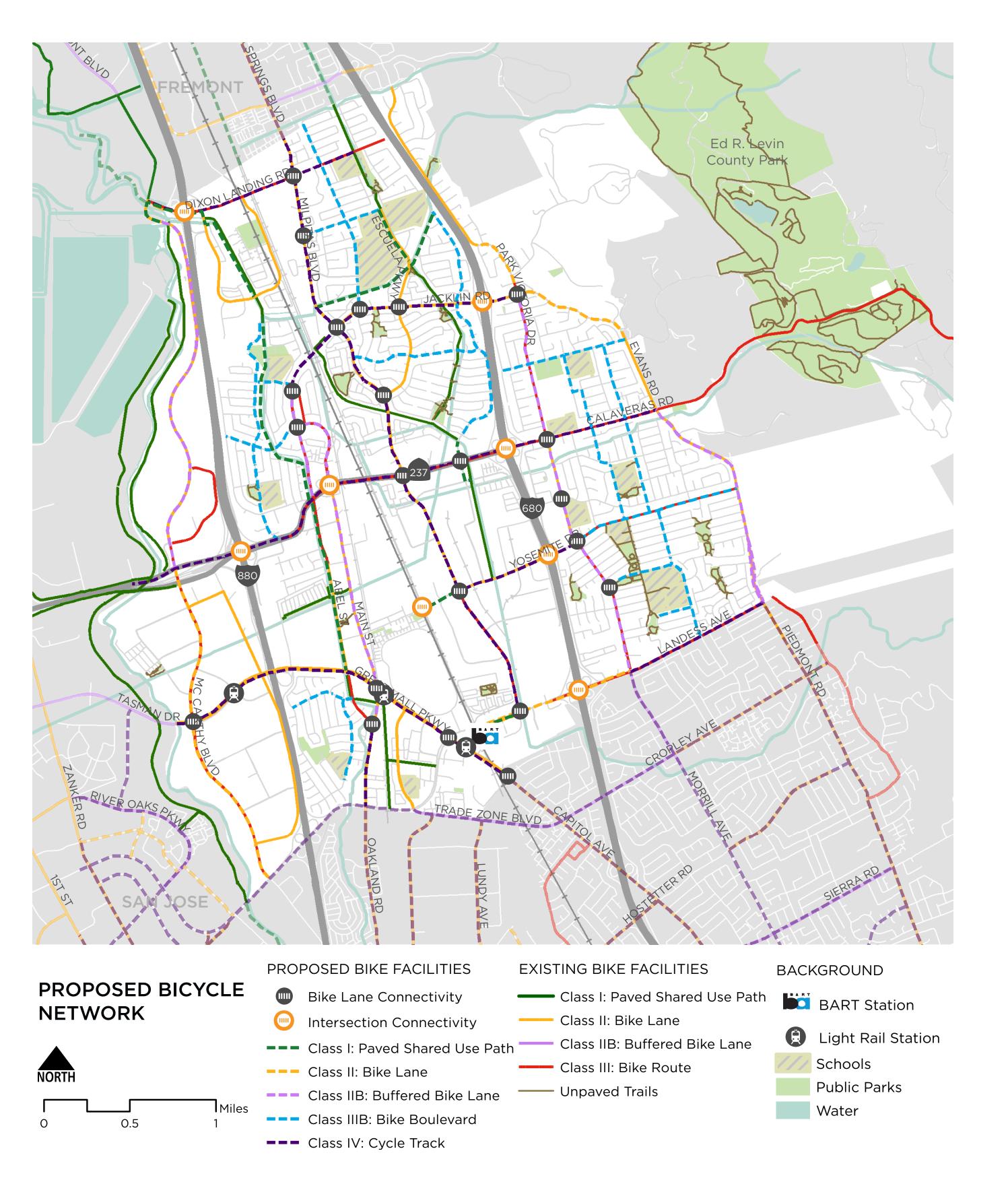
- Dedicated lane for bicycle travel adjacent to traffic and in the right-of-way
- Class II bike lanes are separated from motor vehicles by a painted white line
- Class IIB buffered bike lanes are separated from motor vehicles by a painted buffer to provide additional comfort and operating space



 On-street bikeway separated from motor vehicles by a curb, median, planters, or other physical barrier

ROADWAY SPOT IMPROVEMENTS

Roadway spot improvements help address challenges at specific locations that impede travel by foot or by bike or affect the comfort and safety of a route. Spot improvements support crossing of major roadways, help connect destinations and routes, and address existing gaps in the bicycle network. The locations and improvement types identified are based on results of the safety analysis, public engagement, and integrate the proposed bicycle and trails network. The two primary categories of improvements are described to the right.

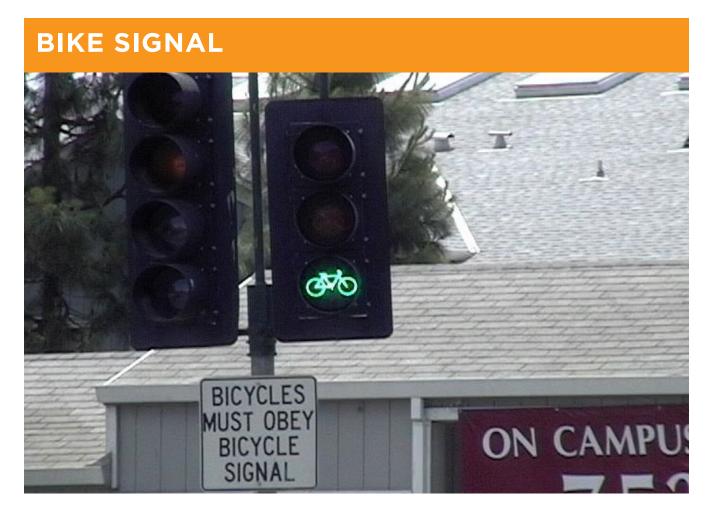




Near Term Bike Lane Safety: Existing bicycle lane striping typically drops as the lane approaches an intersection, creating increased opportunity to conflict. By continuing bike lane striping up to the intersection, the city can close critical gaps in the network and prioritize bicycle travel in the near-term.



Intersection + Connectivity Improvements: These locations are typically at intersections and along roadways where bicycle routes cross barriers or interact with complex highway on- and off-ramp configurations. The locations shown represent specific challenges to low-stress connectivity across the network and may require significant roadway reconstruction.



Bike signals provide a dedicated crossing signal that signifies when people on bicycles can cross.

Typically they are used to separate the timing of bicycle and motor vehicle movements and can reduce opportunities for conflict in complex intersections.



No turn on red restrictions prevent turns during the red signal to reduce motor vehicle conflicts with bicyclists and pedestrians. This restriction is commonly established at bicycle box installations, cycle tracks, and where bicycle signals are used to separate bicycle traffic from motor vehicles.



Bikeway design should consider locations of bus and other transit stops to reduce conflict both between bus and bike and with pedestrians accessing the transit stop. Signage and separating the bikeway from the transit stop support these goals.



Protected intersections maintain physical separation between motor vehicles and people bicycling. Signals and positioning of the bike lane in the intersection limit opportunities for conflict between motor vehicles and bicycles.