



## WEST MAP COMPLETED

***EBBC investment of \$59,000 serves as a template for planners and guide for individuals. Available soon in a shop near you!***

Over two years of work went into the preparation of this map “for bicyclists by bicyclists.” EBBC’s collection of many handlebar perspectives represents a considerable labor of love made possible by individual bicyclists and organizations.

*Map 1: West of the Hills* (2008) represents the first complete revision of bicycle and bicycle-friendly routes since 1996 (note EBBC published a revised *Map 2: East of the Hills* in 2006). The base map shows every street in every city. Even the cities are color-coded to help you identify the correct jurisdiction to report hazardous conditions for bicyclists on [ebbc.org](http://ebbc.org).

**FUNDING** -The \$59,000 cost to produce this map was generated entirely by prior EBBC map sales, individual EBBC membership dues (please keep your membership current!), and contributions by the recreational clubs and bicycle organizations affiliated with the coalition (join a grassroots EBBC affiliate listed under “Bicycle Organizations”). Not a cent of government money was used!

**ROUTE INFORMATION** - **Derek Liecty** expertly guided the revisions on this second edition. We also received substantial contributions from: **Matthew Herberger, Mike Jones, Paul R. Muñiz, Bryce Nesbitt, Bill Pinkham, Howard Sodja, and Brian Toy**. Together, we tapped into volunteer expertise that no private company could afford!

A comparison of the 1996 with the 2008 map is a review of the many access and safety improvements that EBBC has fostered. At the very north you can now ride a bridge over the Carquinez Strait. The other transbay bridges all offer improved bike-transit connections as we await the completion of new paths. We even highlighted the routes between Union City BART and the Dumbarton Bridge Path. Other popular regional routes, like the I-80 Bikeway, Ohlone Greenway and the Rockridge BART to Tunnel-Skyline routes were also highlighted.

We are certain you will find the route details in your community to be worthwhile to explore or adopt as daily travel routes. Each City Hall is depicted (we want you to go there often!). You will also find many more “short path connections” that often offer surprising short-cuts! Maps will be in EBBC’s Supporting Shops in October.

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**Next Meeting** EBBC’s next **General Membership Meeting** will begin at 7:30pm on Tuesday, September 16 at the Rockridge Branch Library, 5366 Manilla Ave. Please see [ebbc.org](http://ebbc.org) for the agenda.

A **Board of Directors Meeting** will begin at 7:00pm immediately preceding the General Meeting.

**EBBC Office** at 3301 E12th St, Suite 143, Oakland has been the cartographic workplace hub for **Derek Liecty**, EBBC’s Map Distributor, nearly every weekend

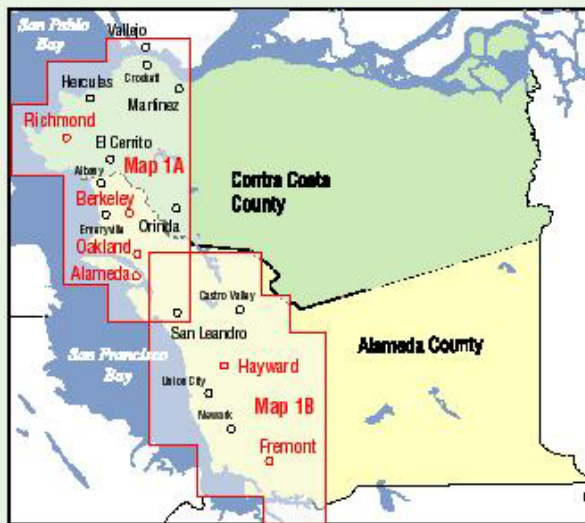


**EAST  
BAY  
BICYCLE  
COALITION**

### Map 1: West of the Hills

#### Featuring:

- Western Alameda County
- Western Contra Costa County



- Commuting
- BART
- Touring
- Recreation
- Bike-Friendly Transit
- Bridges
- Off-Road Paths & Trails
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over the past year! Derek’s thorough geographic knowledge, organization, and numerous field visits guided the revisions on the second edition of the *West of the Hills Bicycle Transportation Map*. The new map is the perfect companion to the 2006 *East of the Hills Map* that Derek also generously contributed hundreds of hours to complete.

## Bicycle-friendly roadway design begins from the shoulder or curb



*What's wrong with this picture? Answer: addition of a center median takes away from precious space bicyclists share on Oakland's Fruitvale Avenue with traffic exiting I-580. Rather than create new pinch points for bicyclists, engineers should always work from the road edge inward. The parked SUV at left also compromises pedestrian safety.*



*Yet another insensitive design! Bicyclist safety on State Route 84 (Niles Canyon) was compromised with addition of a centerline rumble strip.*

EBBC led the way by registering formal objections to Caltrans' centerline rumble strips, as installed on SR 84 through Niles Canyon in 2007 (right).

We received statewide support at the August 7, 2008 California BAC. Both the *California Association of Bicycling Organizations* and *California Bicycle Coalition* called for a Caltrans moratorium on further installations until adequate consideration of bicyclists is made. The strips reduce the effective width of the roadway and hinder motorists ability to safely pass bicyclists.

Similar insensitive designs, as depicted on Fruitvale Ave (above), are also disturbing. Planners are now busy considering the addition of many more similar obstacles on this crucial route to Fruitvale BART.

Ironically, over \$2 million in funds for the Fruitvale Alive! project were intended by the US Congress

to improve access for bicyclists! In fact, the original Fruitvale Alive! grant application was given high marks because of the bicycle network and transit connectivity that the project promised.

Instead of improved bicycle access to Fruitvale BART, bicyclists are being ignored by so-called "streetscape improvements." Faced with a project that fails to address bicycle access and safety, the Oakland BPAC adopted a motion on August 21, 2008 "endorsing the addition of bicycle lanes on Fruitvale Avenue-- between Foothill Blvd and E12th St--as part of the Fruitvale Alive! project."

Caltrans' own criteria for bikeway planning and design offer clear guidelines:

*Bicycle travel can be enhanced by improved maintenance and by upgrading existing roads used regularly by bicyclists, regardless of whether or not bikeways are designated. This effort requires increased attention to the right-hand portion of roadways where bicyclists are expected to ride. On new construction, and major reconstruction projects, adequate width should be provided to permit shared use by motorists and bicyclists.*

*-Caltrans Highway Design Manual*

You should be incensed by inept planning and squandering of precious transportation funds! Join us by demanding access and safety from planners and elected officials! Please let them know that good roads are designed from the edge.

### Who to Contact Regarding State Highways

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State Assembly and Senate Representatives  
<http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/yourleg.html>

### Who to Contact Regarding Fruitvale Ave

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## SHORT REPORTS

**TRAILS PLAN** - Director **Bruce "Ole" Ohlson** recently provided a thorough review of the *East Contra Costa Draft Trails Master Plan*. Please note that EBBC works to educate planners and elected officials about the distinction between "bikeways" (a general term); "multiuse paths" (a specific type of bikeway defined by Caltrans as a Class I bikeway); and "trails" (like a trail to a fishing hole that lacks any liability or design criteria). Bruce wrote: *"Trails [paths] are good, but remember, no trail [path] can go everywhere. We need to emphasize the need for bike lanes in each community so that bicyclists can ride their bicycle safely from home to the trail and then from the trail to their ultimate destination."*

To review the plan maps please visit: <http://www.cccounty.us/ecctrails> or contact John Cunningham at 925-335-1243.

**THREATENED ACCESS** - Near **Brentwood**, the south end of Orchard Lane is slated to be permanently blocked off at Marsh Creek Road, near the new State Route 4 Bypass. The popular route is now used by bicyclists to travel from the Brentwood area to Los Vaqueros Reservoir or the new John Marsh House State Historic Park. No convenient and safe alternative route exists! EBBC joins the Delta Pedalers in requesting that an alternative route be developed before Orchard Lane is permanently blocked. The EBRPD **Measure WW** proposes an expenditure of \$900,000 to extend Marsh Creek Trail [Path], but that is years away even if the measure passes in November.

**OAKLEY** - Bad land-use decisions that lack good transportation options continue on the urban periphery. A court-ordered Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (SEIR) on the East Cypress Corridor Specific Plan is available for comment through October 24, 2008. The action resulted from *Greenbelt Alliance's* challenge of the proposed development of the 2,546-acre site with up to 5,759 residential units. The SEIR has identified significant effects from vehicle emissions. The document is available at <http://www.ci.oakley.ca.us>.

**BART EXTENSION PATH** - BART Director Tom Radulovich reports that he "fell into the role of bike planner for the

**Warm Springs** extension." He suggests BART hire a proper bike planner for the extension. **Fremont's** Rene Dalton responded: "The City of Fremont recently prepared a trail [path] Feasibility study along the UPRR Corridor from Clarke Drive/UPRR crossing in Niles to the Fremont/Milpitas City limits." South of Grimmer, however, the project alignment options are limited and **additional planning by BART is needed**. EBBC's mantra for success: first the plan, then the funding, followed by implementation.

**FREMONT PASEO PADRE** grade separation will include bike lanes on the depressed section of roadway just south of Central Park. A bicycle/pedestrian/utility bridge is now in place and will connect Central Park to the north with the Irvington District to the south via a future path on the old Western Pacific/UPRR alignment (see above). The project is expected to be completed by mid 2009, but what about the UPRR bike path?

**FREMONT WASHINGTON BLVD** will be an elevated structure at Driscoll and Osgood Roads to allow the relocated UPRR alignment and proposed BART extension to pass underneath. The abandoned WP/UPRR proposed for a path alignment, however, will be blocked by the abutment for the elevated Washington Boulevard unless action is taken soon. Again, **additional planning by BART is needed** if a through bikeway is to be created to Warm Springs and beyond.

**BART STATION ACCESS PLANS** - A draft update of the outdated plans from 2002 is being prepared by BART. In 2002 there was no Safe Routes to Transit program, nor were eLockers in existence. The East Bay Greenway was also yet to be proposed. We eagerly anticipate review of the draft. We have heard that it even includes bicycle repair vending machines.

**BIKE LINK LOCKERS** - Secure bike parking for only pennies per hour is now available at 17 East Bay locations:

- 12th Street BART Station, Oakland (Frank Ogawa Plaza)
- 19th Street / Oakland BART Station
- Alameda Civic Center
- Ashby BART
- Berkeley Amtrak Station
- Contra Costa Centre Transit Village

(Pleasant Hill BART Station)

- Dublin/Pleasanton BART
- El Cerrito City Hall
- El Cerrito Plaza BART Station
- Hercules Park and Ride
- Lake Merritt BART
- MacArthur BART Station
- North Berkeley BART
- Richmond City Hall
- Richmond Intermodal Station
- San Leandro BART
- West Oakland BART

Bike Link Cards can be purchased at AC Transit, El Cerrito City Hall, El Cerrito BART Snack Hut, Contra Costa Centre and on-line. For more information visit: <http://www.bikelink.org/>

**CITYCARSHARE** - Is your car battery always dead from inactivity? Go carfree and join CityCarShare (CCS is a non-profit) for those occasions that you need a vehicle. Join now and CCS will pay for a year's membership in EBBC, plus other incentives! In 2007 a survey of CCS pods (CCS-speak for parking spots) at BART stations found that 9.8-percent of users arrived by bicycle. A pod is being added at Fruitvale BART that will offer a pick-up truck in addition to a hybrid. For info, please visit <http://www.citycarshare.org/benefits>.

**EASY OAKLAND RIDES** - There is a weekly tour of Oakland. We will begin two hour rides from a location in Downtown Oakland and take a different direction each week. The ride will take up to two hours and end at the same spot it started. This is a slow and steady group to help bicyclists get acquainted with riding in Oakland, in traffic. To join **Ron Scrivani** on a tour, send a request to join the email list. You will receive an announcement each week with the ride information. Email your address to [Scrivanir@aol.com](mailto:Scrivanir@aol.com).

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**Please renew in advance to keep your EBBC membership current**

**Please check your address label**



## East Bay Community Foundation contributes \$10,000 to augment Bicycle Safety Classes and EBBC membership

EBBC's need to offer additional Street Skills classes to the burgeoning hordes of bicycle commuters made international front page news (See: "New bike commuters hit the classroom, then the road," *Christen Science Monitor*, 8/25/08). The timing was perfect!

A generous donor had been reviewing a broad list of worthwhile EBBC projects throughout the year. In late August we were contacted by the East Bay Community Foundation to submit a final list of proposed projects. As a result, we now have funds to:

- 1) Expand our Street Skills classes;
- 2) Translate class materials to Spanish;
- 3) Complete our database transition and membership outreach efforts.

Our first action was to add two courses in Contra Costa County--in **Richmond** and **Walnut Creek**. Note that only Alameda County has sufficient bicycle transportation funding to regularly offer classes.

EBBC's League of American Bicyclists (LAB) certified bicycle safety classes start up in September. Learn how to "drive a bike" - that is, safety share the road with other traffic. Classes are **free** and open to the public. Please encourage your bicycling friends to sign up.

### Day 1 Street Skills classes:

OAKLAND, Thursday, September 18  
6-9:30pm, Kaiser Oakland Medical Center, Conference Room 1200 B Main Hospital (3801 Howe Street, Oakland)

ALAMEDA, Saturday, September 20  
2-5:00pm, Crosstown Community Center, 1303 High St

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2-5:00pm, Crosstown Community Center, 1303 High St

DUBLIN, Thursday, October 16  
6-9:30pm, Dublin Civic Center, 100 Civic Plaza

OAKLAND, Wednesday, October 22 6-9:30pm. Kaiser Medical Center, 7th floor conference room Main Hospital (3801 Howe Street, Oakland)

WALNUT CREEK, Thursday, Oct 23  
5:30-9:00pm, Sports Basement, 1881 Ygnacio Valley Rd

RICHMOND, Tuesday, October 28  
6-9:30pm, Kaiser Richmond Medical Center, 901 Nevin Avenue, Building A,

2nd floor, Conference Room A-2

SAN LEANDRO, Thursday, November 6  
6-9:30pm, San Leandro Main Public Library, 300 Estudillo Ave

FREMONT, Monday, November 10  
6-9:30pm, Fremont Family Resource Center, 39155 Liberty St.

Details at [www.ebbc.org](http://www.ebbc.org). **To sign up**, call the Berkeley Bikestation at 510.548.7433.



### EBBC MEMBERS GET DISCOUNTS AT AFFILIATED SHOPS

- Alameda Bicycle 1522 Park St, Alameda (includes Fruitvale Bike Station)
- **Bay Area Bikes** 2424 Webster St, Oakland **(new owners in 2008)**
- Bent Spoke 6124 Telegraph Avenue, Oakland
- Bicycle Garage 4673 Thornton Ave, Fremont
- Bikes 4 Life 1344 Sunset Dr., Antioch
- Cal Bicycles 2053 First St., Livermore
- California Pedaler 495 Hartz Ave, Danville
- Castro Cyclery 20515 Stanton Ave, Castro Valley
- Cycle City 1433 High St., Alameda
- Cycle Sports 3530 Grand Ave, Oakland
- Cycle Path 22510 Foothill Blvd, Hayward
- Cycle Path 337 Main St, Pleasanton
- Danville Bike 115 Hartz Ave, Danville
- Dublin Cyclery 7001 Dublin Blvd, Dublin
- Hank & Frank Bicycles 3377 Mount Diablo Blvd, Lafayette
- Hank & Frank Bicycles 6030 College Ave, Oakland
- **Joy Rider Clothing** 895-1/2 55th St, Oakland **(new in 2008)**
- Left Coast Cyclery 2928 Domingo Ave, Berkeley
- Livermore Cyclery 7214 San Ramon Blvd, Dublin
- Livermore Cyclery 2752 First St, Livermore
- Mike's Bikes 2161 University Ave, Berkeley
- Mike's Bikes 1150 Contra Costa Blvd, Pleasant Hill
- Missing Link 1988 Shattuck Ave, Berkeley
- Montano Velo 4266 Piedmont Ave, Oakland
- The Pedaler 3826 San Pablo Dam Rd., El Sobrante
- Pegasus Bicycle Works 439 Railroad Ave, Danville
- Pioneer Bike Shop, 11 Rio Vista Avenue, Oakland
- Pleasant Hill Cyclery 1100-C Contra Costa Blvd, Pleasant Hill
- Real Bicycles 3506-B Old Santa Rita Rd, Pleasanton
- Robinson Wheelworks 1235 MacArthur Blvd, San Leandro
- San Leandro Cyclery 471 E 14th St, San Leandro
- Schwinn City 814 A St., Antioch
- Sharp Bicycle 969 Moraga Rd., Lafayette
- Solano Avenue Cyclery 1554 Solano Ave, Albany
- Stone's Cyclery 2320 Santa Clara Ave, Alameda
- Tip Top Bike Shop 4800-A Telegraph Avenue, Oakland
- Velo Sport 1615 University Ave, Berkeley
- Wheels of Justice Cyclery 2024 Mountain Blvd, Oakland
- wheelgirl 1714 Fourth Street, Store C, Berkeley
- Witts Bicycle Shop 22125 Mission Blvd, Hayward
- **wrenchscience** 1022 Murray St, Berkeley **(new in 2008)**

Present your valid EBBC membership card (clip mailing label on back cover) to obtain member discount at participating retailers. The mailing label must indicate that the membership is "Current" to qualify. Discount varies 5-25% on parts, bikes, and/or accessories depending on level of participation by retailer. Visit <http://www.ebbc.org> for further details.

## Complete Streets (AB 1358) passed by State Legislature--moves to Governor's desk

We need you to urge the Governor

The overdue State budget remains the focus in Sacramento. Nevertheless, **Stephan Vance**, Legislative Committee Chair with the California Bicycle Coalition reported some good news:

*"Our legislative agenda took a significant step forward this week. On August 27, our bicycle and pedestrian safety funding bill, AB 2971, received its final vote of approval, and on August 28 the Complete Streets bill, AB 1358, passed as well. In addition, SB 432, the omnibus transportation bill from the Senate passed with our language allowing bicyclists to ride-through crosswalks."*

*"Now it's on to the Governor's office. We have nothing definitive about the Governor's position on AB 1358, but we think we have answered all their concerns."*

**We need YOU to act now!** Our goal is to make every road a good road!

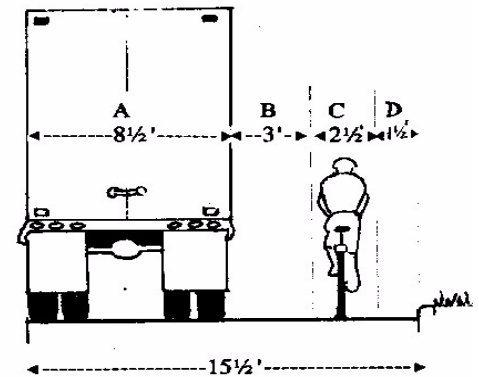
Call, or preferably write, Governor

Arnold Schwarzenegger, State Capitol, Sacramento 95814, and **urge him to sign AB 1358, the Complete Streets Act, into law!** Call: (916) 445-2841; FAX: (916) 445-4633. Please let the Governor know about the importance of complete streets:

\* AB 1358 is a key toward greenhouse gas reduction mandates in AB32 that he signed in 2006;

\* Planning safe streets and roads is important for children, seniors, pedestrians, and bicyclists; and

\* The fiscal effect is minor.



*The League of American Bicyclists suggests a minimum lane width that provides bicyclists with a 3-foot passing distance.*

*Commencing January 1, 2011, upon any substantive revision of the circulation element, the legislative body shall modify the circulation element to plan for a balanced, multimodal transportation network that meets the needs of all users of streets, roads, and highways for safe and convenient travel in a manner that is suitable to the rural, suburban, or urban context of the general plan.*

*For purposes of this paragraph, "users of streets, roads, and highways" means bicyclists, children, persons with disabilities, motorists, movers of commercial goods, pedestrians, users of public transportation, and seniors.*

*-text from Complete Streets Act*

## Valet Bicycle Parking (VBP) reflects booming rise in utility bicycling

EBBC's VBP corral filled to capacity each day at Oakland's Art & Soul Festival over the 3-day Labor Day weekend. On Sunday, August 31 it was bursting at the seams with 300 bikes even though the lot was expanded from previous years. Even relatively small events like the Montclair Jazz & Wine Festival on September 7 are experiencing the growing bicycle popularity.

Other upcoming events scheduled to provide VBP include:

- Solano Stroll, Sept 14
- Walnut Festival at Heather Farm Park, Sept 20 & 21
- Pacific Fine Arts Sidewalk Festival, Walnut Creek, Sept 27 & 28
- Out & About Rockridge, Sept 28
- Dimond Oktoberfest, Oct 4



*Priscilla Layne & Matthias Kopf were the lucky new members who won the bright red commuter bike & fire helmet at Art & Soul.*

### Fourth Bore Coalition Lawsuit Please Contribute

Your contributions to the Fourth Bore Coalition (FBC) lawsuit can help us cover the costs of copying and indexing the 118 volumes of the record we have prepared for the October 31 court date! (See: *rideOn*, July 2008)

The members of the FBC are the North Hills Phoenix Association, Parkwoods Community Association, Rockridge Community Planning Council, Claremont-Elmwood Neighborhood Association, FROG Park, and the East Bay Bicycle Coalition.

The financial strength of FBC, coupled with our proven legal representatives--Stuart Flashman and Antonio Rossmann--will enable us to prevail in court. Your tax-deductible contribution to support the lawsuit can be sent to EBBC, PO Box 1736, Oakland 94604 with FBC marked in the memo line of your check.

*of the General Membership Meeting on August 19, 2008.  
Rockridge Branch Library, Oakland*

## EBBC GENERAL MEETING - 7:35pm

### *Draft for Approval*

**Board members present:** Board Members Present: Steve Ardrey; Dave Campbell; Leo Dubose; Dave Favello; Craig Hagelin; Mary Norton; Bruce Ohlson; Bill Pinkham; Rick Rickard.

Also Present: Robert Raburn; Pat Raburn; Ricardo Pedevilla; Kent Lewandowski (Sierra Club); Isaac (Cycles of Change).

Meeting called to order at 7:35 PM.

**Minutes** of July 15 meeting approved as written.

**Valet Bike Parking - Robert** reported on recent Valet Bike Parking events. We've seen great success by offering a drawing for a bike at these events; hope to continue that success, so looking for donated bikes.

**Leo** expressed concern about too many "giveaways" in recruiting new members. Robert indicated that the average renewal is between \$35-40, so the recruitment is worthwhile. Also, it was pointed out that the West maps given with memberships at Lakefest were "extras" that had already been taken out of inventory.

**Map** - The new West map will not be ready in time for the Art & Soul festival, but Robert indicated that **Derek** is willing to mail maps to those who sign up at the festival.

**Membership - Rick** presented membership data by event for the past three years, highlighting the successes this year at the Temescal Fair (47 memberships) and Lakefest (87 members in two days). Results for the past 3 years are: 2006 events - 292 memberships; 2007 events - 372 memberships; 2008 year-to-date - 233 memberships.

A record number of 1,544 newsletters were mailed out in August.

**Greenhouse Gas Reduction - Robert** provided an update on AB 32 to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in California. Much of his report is included in August *rideOn*. EBBC participated in meeting with Legislators at which many participants urged the Bay Area to move beyond the rest of the state, pressing for Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) reduction to

encourage mode shifting and other actions in addition to the proposed reliance on emissions controls.

The back page of this month's newsletter presents a letter from EBBC strongly endorsing AB 32. The **board voted to approve** the content of the letter and to encourage EBBC members to write to the Governor to lend further support to the campaign.

**Transportation 2035** - The outcome of the MTC meeting was a major victory for EBBC and other advocates of bicycle and pedestrian facilities; the MTC voted \$1 billion to fully fund the Regional Bicycle Plan (less bridges).

**CityCarShare** - EBBC has been approached by City Car Share (CCS) to create a partnership similar to one they already have with the SFBC. A customer signing up with CCS would be entitled to a one-year EBBC membership for just \$5; CCS would pay the additional \$15. The board gave Robert approval to negotiate with CCS to arrange a payment structure that works for both organizations.

**BART - Dave Favello** reports that 32 eLockers are now open and in use at Rockridge BART. Sixteen are located adjacent to the drop-off lot; the other 16 are across College Avenue on the west side of the station.

**Berkeley Bike Station** - Dave Campbell and Robert reported on the Berkeley Bike Station proposed expansion into an empty storefront on Shattuck Avenue. The project was originally approved as a collaboration between BART and the City of Berkeley. BART has committed approximately \$100,000 per year toward the operation, but Berkeley is balking at an expected contribution of about \$60,000 per year. The board voted to approve action by EBBC to encourage Berkeley to provide the required funding and to encourage our Berkeley members to contact their elected officials.

**Caldecott FBC** - EBBC's participation in the Fourth Bore Coalition (FBC) con-

tinues. FBC's attorneys are preparing for a Superior Court hearing on October 23. We need to continue to fund the coalition.

Board approved offering matching funds for contributions from our members up to \$2,500 in EBBC funds (thus total additional contributions of \$5,000).

**Shortcut Path** - Funding is still not available from the city of Walnut Creek for the shortcut path to Pleasant Hill BART that was discussed in August *rideOn*. It now appears that the city of Concord may be willing to provide some funding. Board approved EBBC support for funding from both Walnut Creek and Concord. Robert will write in support of Concord funding. Meanwhile, new EBBC brochure includes portion of EBBC map depicting gap.

**Legislation** - AB 1358 is a bill that will require all General Plans in the state to take "routine accommodation" into account. This bill is EBBC's number 1 priority since it will require consideration of all modes of transportation. The bill is likely to pass soon, but a flood of letters to the Governor will be needed to get him to sign.

**Alameda Bicycle Ordinance** - As reported in August *rideOn*, the Alameda County Bicycle Event Ordinance continues to move forward, however Supervisor Miley has removed his district from inclusion in the ordinance. A hearing could occur as soon as September 9 [note: not on Sept 9 agenda].

**Bicycle Safety Classes** - The Street Skills class schedule is now firm and posted on the web site and newsletter. We will be promoting the classes with posters and flyers. Additionally, we are writing a grant proposal to enable us to expand the program and hope to soon present a Spanish language version.

**Cycles of Change** - Finally, Robert & Rick discussed the request we received from Cycles of Change to be a "fiscal sponsor." The board voted to continue our fiscal sponsorship of Cycles of Change.

**Next general meeting:** September 16, 7:30 pm, Rockridge Branch Library, Oakland

*Submitted by Rick Rickard,  
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## \$500 million Park Bond - Measure WW

**Two components: EBBC supports expenditure plan, but cannot endorse local spending until Oakland agrees to include bicycle needs**

EBBC and the East Bay Regional Park District (EBRPD) share the same two-county jurisdiction. We naturally campaigned over the past two years to help shape the East Bay Regional Park District (EBRPD) Bond Measure WW that is slated for the November ballot.

The \$500 million Measure WW bond includes two components: \$375 million (75%) is to be allocated to an expenditure plan consisting of 67 projects; and \$125 million (25%) will be passed through to local jurisdictions for "local park needs."

As reported in the June & July 2008 issues of *rideOn*, EBBC successfully worked on the 75% expenditure plan until it was adopted--including many of our recommendations. The 25%

pass-through funds, however, are another matter.

**Oakland's expected share of the pass-through funds would represent nearly \$20 million** over the twenty-year period of the bond extension, as allocated in proportion to population.

If we don't review Oakland's Park expenditures now--before the November ballot--we can be assured that no changes will take place for another 20 years!

What we have in mind is to create at least two **Neighborhood Bicycle Centers** in existing Oakland Park and Recreation facilities. Each would offer bicycle repair tools, workbenches, and bike repair stands. They would serve youth and adults

on a regular basis. Plus, they would be important venues to offer repair classes and bicycle safety instruction.

Oakland already offers a tool-lending library for automotive and home repair needs. Perhaps it could also include bicycle tools, or serve as a model lending by Oakland Parks and Recreation.

Preliminary discussions with *Friends of Oakland Parks* find support for our proposal.

Please join me in soliciting support for Neighborhood Bicycle Centers.

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