

# ADOT BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN PLAN UPDATE

ADOT MPD Task Assignment 21-11

Steering Committee Meeting No. 2 Summary

Date: Thursday, January 12, 2012

Time: 10:00 am – 11:30 am

Location: Board Room

206 S. 17<sup>th</sup> Ave. Phoenix, Arizona

# ATTENDANCE

Bob Baldwin, Arizona State Parks

Bob Beane, Coalition of Arizona Bicyclists

Brian Fellows, ADOT Safe Routes to School

Larry Burns, Arizona Department of Public Safety

Ann Chanecka, Pima Association of Governments

Maureen DeCindis, Maricopa Association of Governments

Carlene Firman, ADOT Communication and Community Partnerships

Martin Ince, Flagstaff MPO (via teleconference)

Kristen Keener Busby, ADOT MPD Rail and Sustainability

Adam McGuire, Roadway Predesign Section

James Meyer, MPD GIS

Richard Moeur, ADOT Traffic

Mike Normand, ADOT MPD Transit

Bill Pederson, ADOT Communication and Community Partnerships

Gregory Wisecaver, ADOT Tucson (via teleconference)

Michael Sanders, ADOT MPD

# **Consultant Staff in Attendance**

Brent Crowther, Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc.

Mike Colety, Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc.

# MEETING SUMMARY

Steering Committee Meeting No. 2 was held for the ADOT Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan Update on January 12, 2012. The purpose of Steering Committee Meeting No. 2 was to review and discuss Draft Working Paper No. 1, which was previously distributed to the TAC, and preview Work-in-Progress Working Paper No. 2, which was distributed at the meeting.

The following summarizes key discussion items.

### **Introductions**

Mike Sanders began the meeting by leading introductions.

Brent Crowther started the discussions with an overview of the agenda and project schedule.

# **Draft Working Paper No. 1 Overview**

The following comments were made in regards to the Vision statement.

- B. Fellows asked, is there any mention of wayfinding?
- R. Moeur noted that his concerns are not with the vision, but the how. Potential for varying interpretation, so plan is important.
- Kristin Keener Busby stated that transit is missing in vision.
- B. Beane raised a concern with the last sentence concern with phrase "their place". The group decided that changing it to say "their accommodation" would be better.

Eight goals were proposed in Draft Working Paper No. 1 that will work towards accomplishing the statements made in the Vision. Associated with each goal are one or more objectives, which will outline how to accomplish the goals. Performance indicators were established which will be used to chart progress toward the goals and objectives.

The goals, objectives, and performance indicators were discussed:

# Goal 1: Increase bicycle and pedestrian trips

- G. Wisecaver stated that 0.1% is clear, but 0.5% by 2017 is the goal, but should be per year. Make that clear.
- M. Ince asked where the 0.1% came from? What is the basis for the recommendation?
- L. Burns expressed concern in wording, increasing percentage of 0.1 percent
- M. Normand asked how it's being measured and what the statistical margin of error is. How well can you measure your success if you are within margin of error? B. Crowther responded that it will be monitored using the American Community Surveys.
- B. Beane asked how the survey addresses multiple modes (e.g. from bike to transit). M. Sanders responded that the survey only captures the primary mode. Transition from bike to transit would show up as transit.
- B. Fellows raised a concern with the wording. Objective comes across as 0.1% per year, then 0.5% per year after 2017.

### Goal 2: Improve Bicycle and Pedestrian Infrastructure on State Highways

- L. Burns raised the concern that the goal does not have a percent increase goal, just "increase". We should have a particular goal.
- A. Chanecka stated that it would be good to address pedestrian crossings also.



- R. Moeur stated that crossings have been a problem. These crossing are critical for a network. The number of crossings is not readily available and may not lend itself to performance measurement.
- A general discussion followed about reducing crashes and that will require an increase in safe crossings of state highways.

# Goal 3: Improve Bicyclist and Pedestrian Safety on State Highways

- B. Fellows stated that the 15 counties differ significantly in infrastructure. Is there any way to track this by county?
- M. Normand suggested making safety the top goal.
- L. Burns made the comment that the goals are dreamy but not specific.
- R. Moeur raised stated that the effectiveness of some countermeasures is not yet known. It is difficult to affix a specific goal to an issue when we don't know how effective the countermeasures are.

# Goal 4: Improve Enforcement of Bicycle and Pedestrian Laws

- K. Keener-Busby commented that it should say "to" police officers in Objective 2.
- A. Chanecka stated that there needs to be enough bicycle and pedestrian information in driver's manuals. This may fall under a strategy.
- L. Burns commented that some of these goals are potentially objectives of other goals.

# Goal 5: Improve Local Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities that Complement the SHS

- M. Normand made some comments on incorporating into Grant process (i)
- M. Normand suggested to have the goal on plans come before the goal of increasing infrastructure (ii)
- K. Keener Busby commented that it sounds good to combine this goal with the other plans goal.

# Goal 6: Improve Funding for Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities

- M. DeCindis commented that there's a problem with goals how can Michael achieve this?
- M. Normand asked whether the money that comes to the state and MAG is population based. M. DeCindis responded that CMAQ dollars are being allocated 17% to bike/ped in MAG. Small component of Transportation Enhancement and Safe Routes to School.
- M. Normand cautioned that before we say we need more money, we need to make sure we are spending the money we have allocated.
- B. Beane commented that a lot of the money that could have been used for bicyclists and pedestrians was rescinded. There is poor use of HSIP.
  - » R. Moeur commented that with HSIP, it took a re-assignment of priority, and now they are spending the money. It can be tough when not set up to manage funds. FHWA likes system generated needs.

### Goal 7: Improve Bicycle and Pedestrian Plans, Policies, and Provisions

- M. Normand asked for an explanation of provisions.
  - » B. Crowther responded that a map is a good example or design guidelines
- A discussion followed on bike share.
  - » M. DeCindis commented that Phoenix has been looking at bike share, but it doesn't pencil out.
  - » B. Fellows suggested increasing the number of bike racks on a particular transit vehicle also.
  - » B. Baldwin commented that bike racks on LRT that are located in the middle of the vehicle are hard to get to.
- A. Chanecka stated that a policy issue that needs to be addressed is the fact that bike routes aren't allowed on State Highways.
- A. Chanecka stated that SHSP doesn't explicitly talk address pedestrians and bicycles. A
  recommendation could be to allow the State Gas Tax to be used for bicycles. HURF
  funding may be legislative.
  - » M. Sanders commented that SHSP addresses bike/pedestrian improvements under intersection safety.
  - » A. Chanecka responded that she would like to see it more specific.
  - » M. Sanders stated that ADOT has a bicycle policy, but the minimum accommodation of cyclists is always a question.
  - » R. Moeur asked how much will the bicycle pedestrian plan update control and influence bicycle policy in ITD. There is clear unhappiness in the details of the current policy. Will ITD make changes in their policy based on the recommendations of this Plan?
  - » M. Sanders responded that the BSAP plan already has recommended changes to bike policy.
  - » R. Moeur commented that ITD needs to go forward with parallel process to review the bicycle policy.
  - » A. Chanecka stated that the Plan needs to recognize the limitations of recommendations from the State Plan.

### Goal 8: Improve and Expand Bicycle and Pedestrian Encouragement and Education

• B. Fellows said that he would be happy to update everyone on the Safe Routes to School training curriculum. Brian can provide updated data about Safe Routes participants.

# General Discussion of Working Paper No. 1

The following comments were made concluding the discussion on the Draft Working Paper No. 1:

- A. Chanecka commented that there needs to be a goal or objective regarding improving evaluation, and counting of bicyclists and pedestrians.
  - B. Fellows stated that more women bicycling and walking is a key indicator of safer and more comfortable facilities.
  - K. Keener Busby suggested that it all comes back to land use.
  - M. Normand commented that Flagstaff has good land use, university, transit.
  - R. Moeur commented that there's a pedestrian hybrid beacon on Loop 101 Frontage Road (there's also a grade separation there also, which opened last year).

# Work-In-Progress Working Paper No. 2 Overview

Working Paper No. 2 is a summary and analysis of current and future conditions for bicycling and walking. The document is organized around each of the eight goal categories.

A brief overview of some of the data presented in Working Paper No. 2 was discussed. Also distributed was a draft list of needs and deficiencies. The Steering Committee was asked to provide comment on the list and to provide general comment on the contents of Working Paper No.2, recognizing that the SC will have the opportunity to provide more detailed comment on WP2 following distribution of the draft.

# **Public Involvement**

B. Pederson provided an update on the public involvement process. They will be following the template implemented for the Long Range Transportation Plan. News releases will be dispersed using ADOT Facebook, ADOT blog, Twitter, and outreach to local government and tribal representatives.

SC members were invited to visit the website for review and to submit any comments.

In regards to the survey, the survey questions still have to be determined. They are planning on using Survey Monkey as the survey platform.

 Brian voiced a concern on the sample question and whether the general public knows what roadways are "ADOT roadways" and which ones aren't.

# **Next Steps**

- Assessment of the needs and deficiencies, which will be prepared for the next SC meeting.
- Steering Committee Meeting No. 3.

### **Attachments**

- 1. Agenda
- 2. PowerPoint Presentation



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# STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING NO. 2

**DATE:** THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, 2012

**TIME:** 10:00 AM

**LOCATION: BOARD ROOM** 

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# **A**GENDA

1) Discussion of Working Paper No. 1

Draft Working Paper No. 1 was distributed to the Steering Committee on December 14. Steering Committee members are requested to submit comments on Working Paper No. 1 by January 12, 2012, using the comment form that was provided, Comments may be submitted to: <a href="mailto:msanders@azdot.gov">msanders@azdot.gov</a>.

- a) Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan Update Vision
- b) Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan Update Goals and Objectives
- c) Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan Update Performance Measurement
- 2) Discussion of Working Paper No. 2

Working Paper No. 2 will include: 1) Summary of current conditions, and 2) Assessment of needs and deficiencies. Part 1 (current conditions) has been completed, and will be distributed at the Steering Committee Meeting. Part 2 (assessment of needs and deficiencies) is underway.

- a) Current conditions summary
- b) Assessment of needs and deficiencies

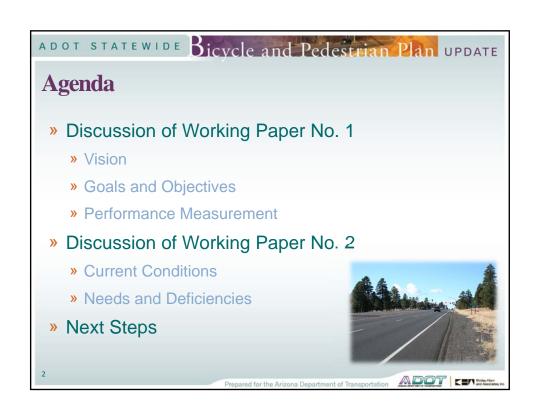
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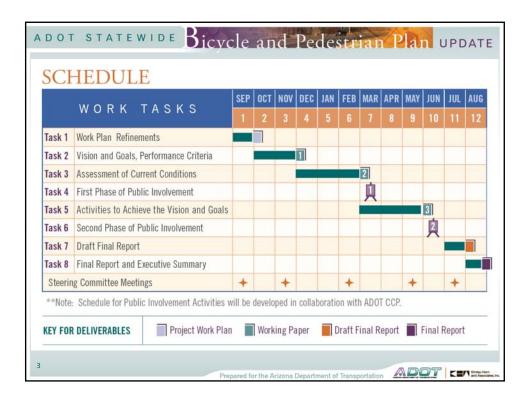


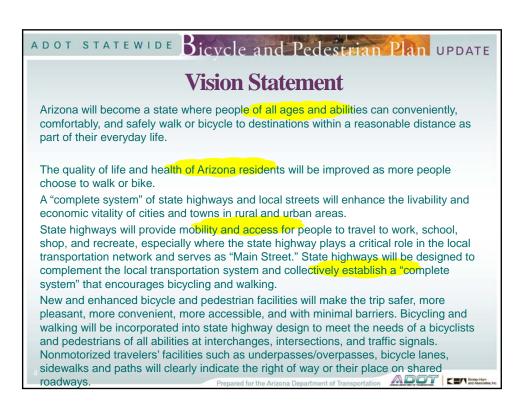
# 3) Next Steps

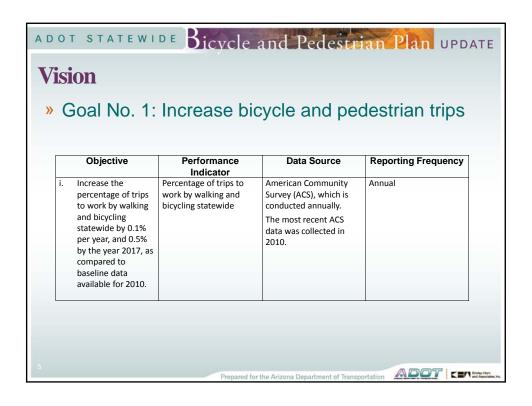
- a) Final Working Paper No. 1, based on Steering Committee input.
- b) Draft Working Paper No. 2. Assessment of needs and deficiencies will be added to Working Paper No. 2. WP2 will be distributed for Steering Committee review.
- c) Public Involvement

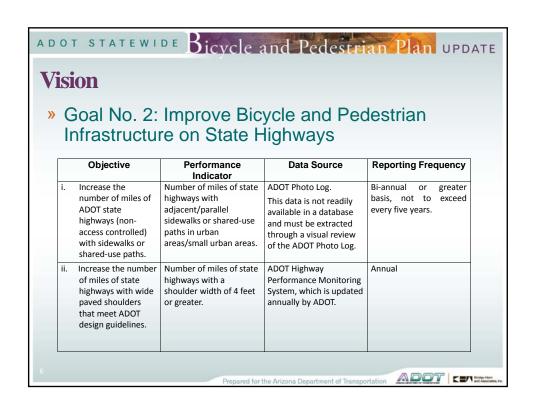




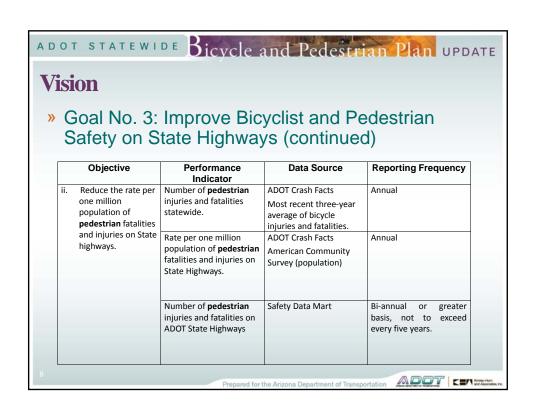


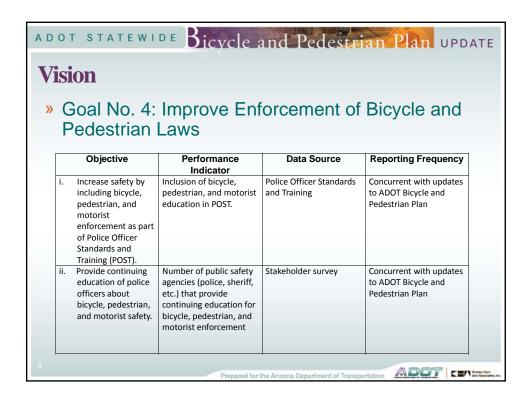


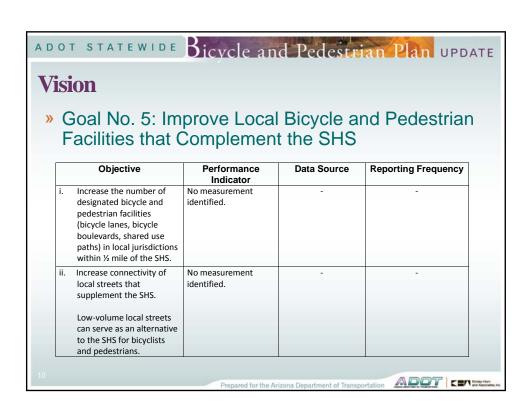




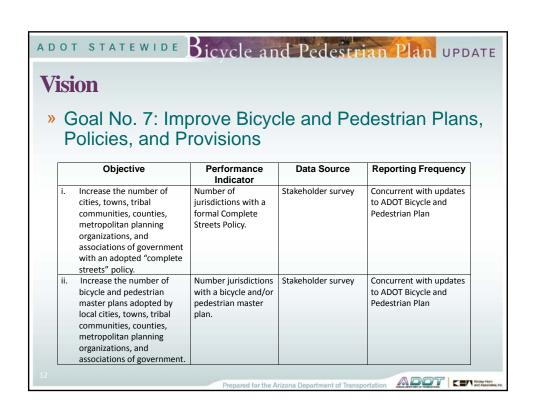


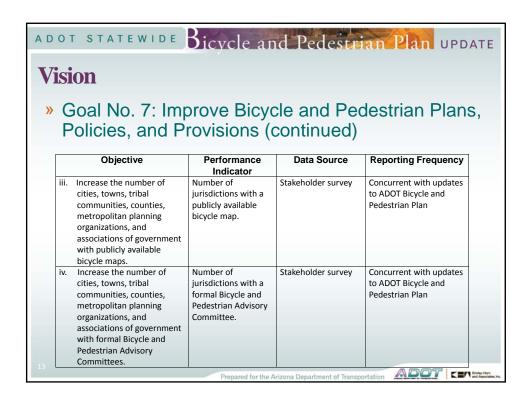


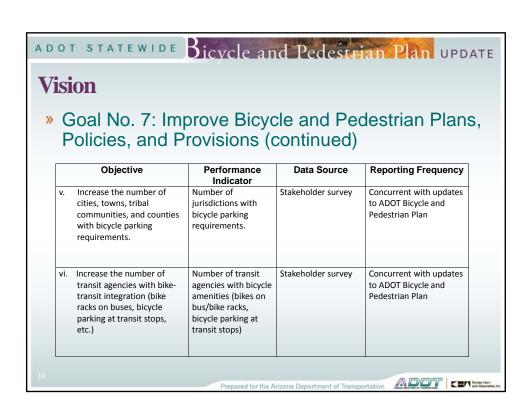


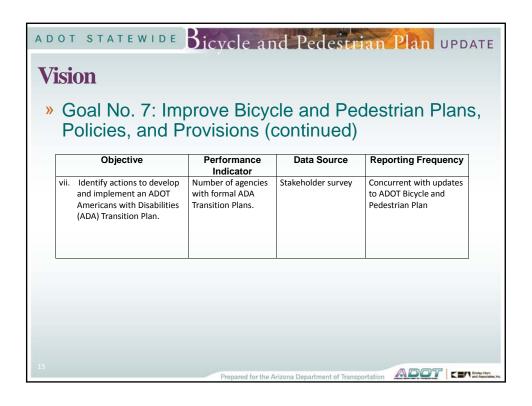


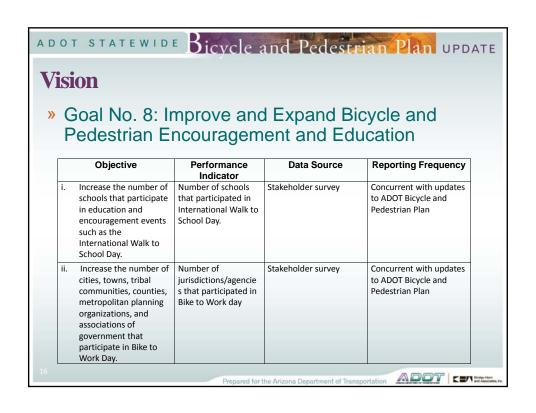


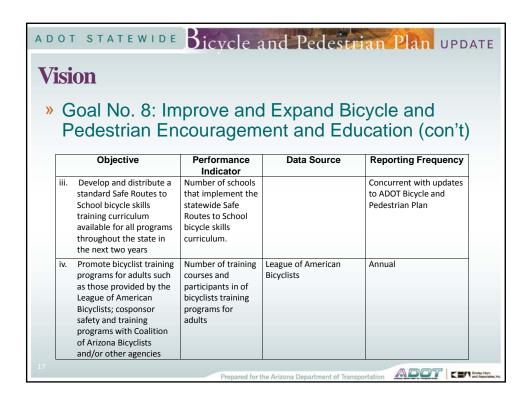






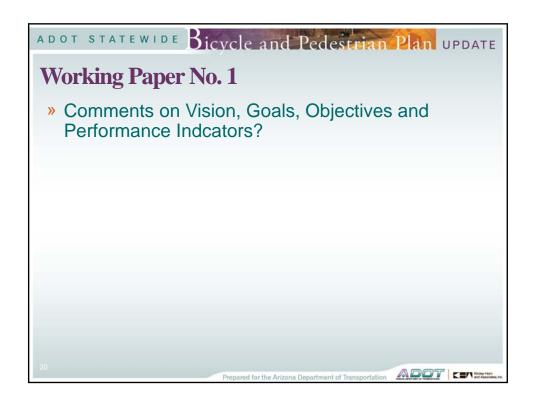






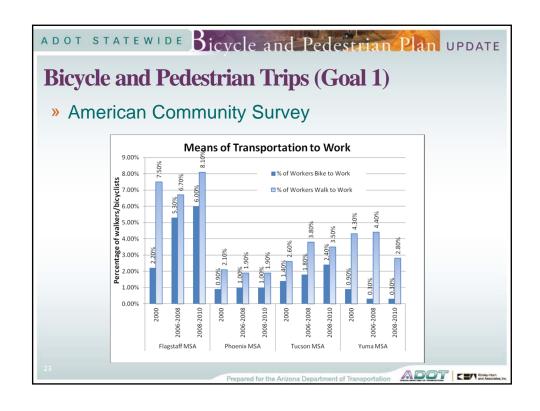


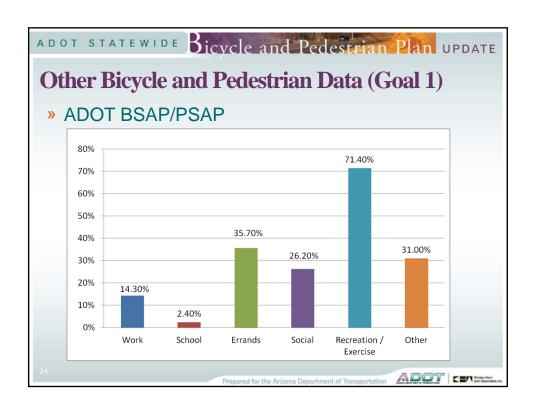


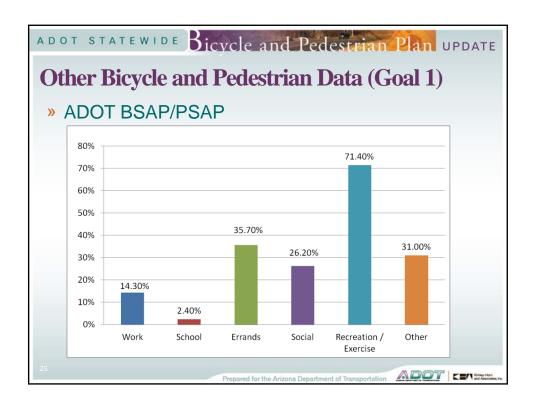


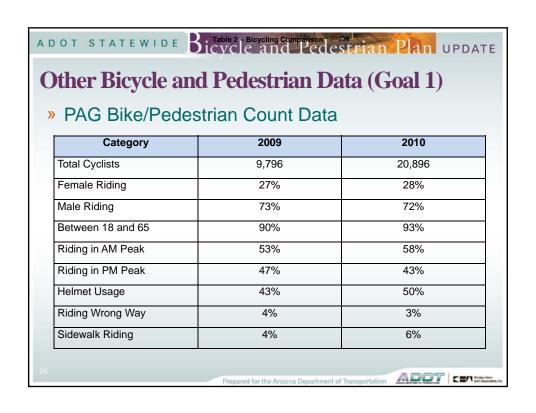
# Working Paper No. 2 — Current and Future Conditions \*\*Note: The properties of the Arizona Department of Transportation Plan Update Working Paper No. 2 — Current and Future Conditions \*\*Note: The properties of the Arizona Department of Transportation Plan Update Working Plan Update Wo

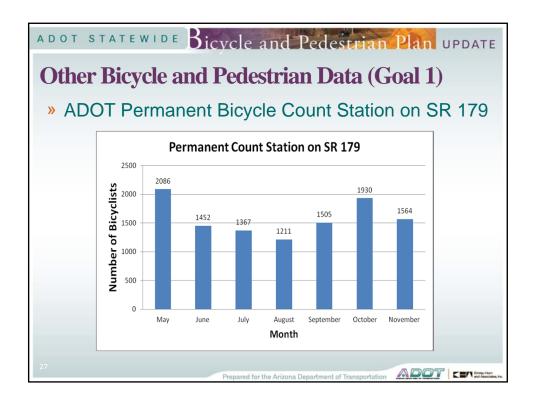


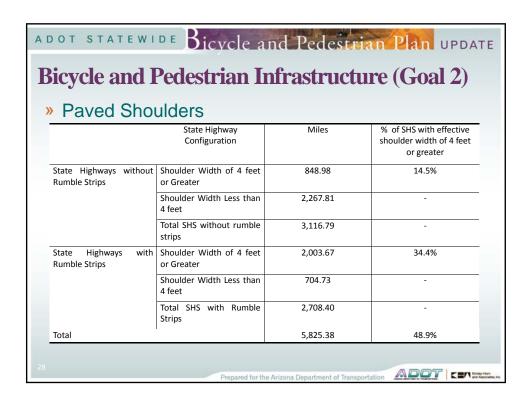


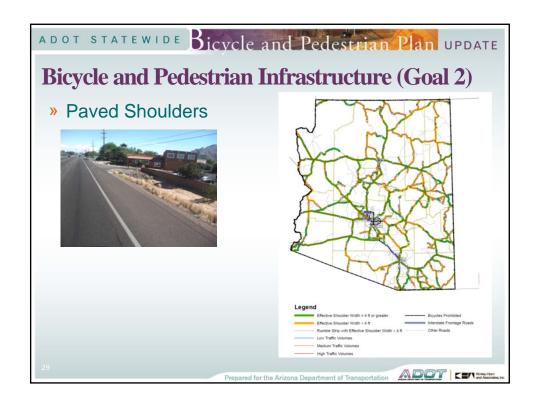


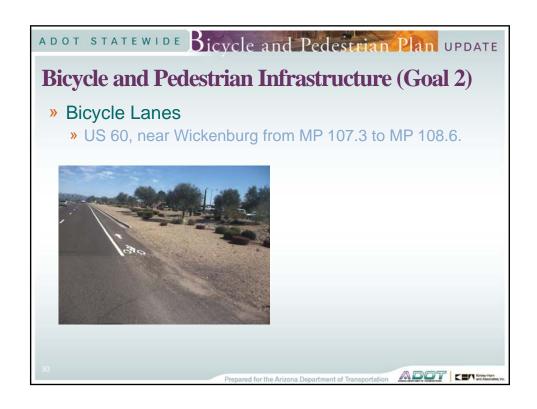


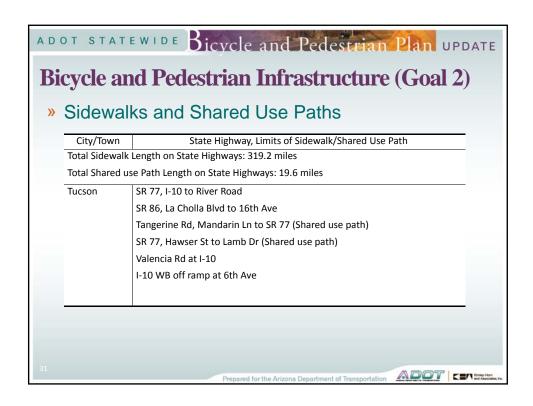


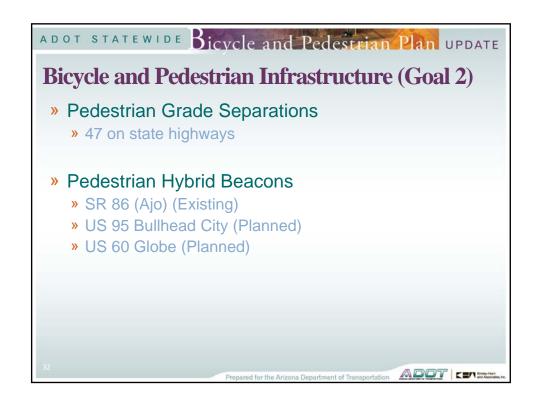


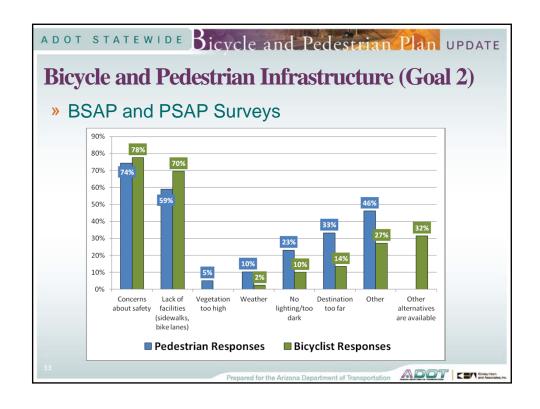




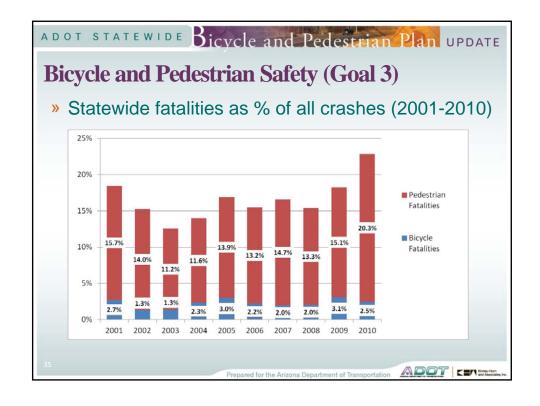


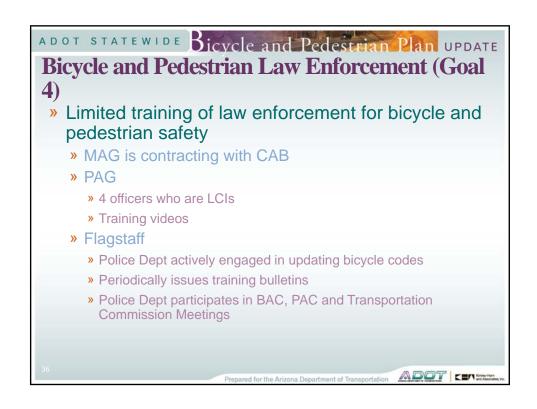


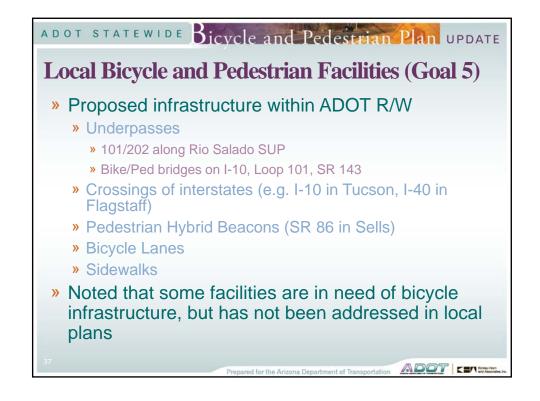


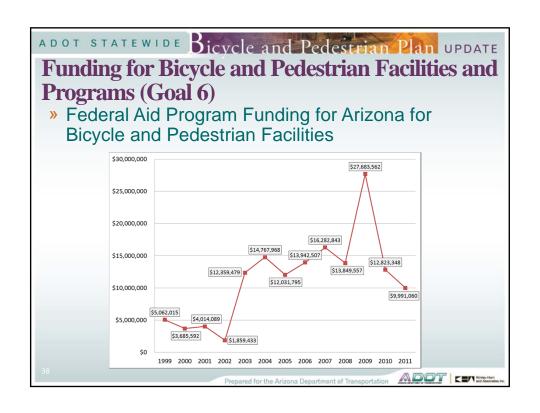












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