



## EBBC Contributes to Casino Transportation Impact Study

Three Indian Casino proposals for West Contra Costa County threaten to degrade bicycle access and safety by generating tens of thousands of trips on local streets and roads. In order to challenge the gaming juggernaut promoted by Governor Schwarzenegger, the EBBC was invited by County Supervisors Gail Uilkema and John Gioia to join an Ad Hoc Committee for Mitigation of Off-Reservation Impacts of Tribal Casinos that seeks to document the broad transportation impacts of the casino proposals.

At the August 18, 2005 General Meeting, EBBC members elected to invest \$3000 in the transportation impact study. We are not gambling with your precious contributions. One condition we require is that the study results in useful data that will help us implement bikeway plans in the area. We further recognize the opportunity to set an example for truly comprehensive transportation analyses that routinely consider impacts on bicyclists. The EBBC will further be represented on the Steering Committee that monitors the consultant's work and acts as a liaison to the Ad Hoc Committee.

The Ad Hoc Committee met on September 22, 2005 and agreed to move forward with the Regional Traffic Study using a phased approach, based on funding commitments/pending commitments from Contra Costa County, Marin County, Hercules, Pinole, El Cerrito, Novato, Albany, Doctors Medical Center, East Bay Bicycle Coalition, and the East Bay Regional Park District. A

full analysis could cost over \$300,000 according to preliminary work done by County staff and a consultant. The West Contra Costa Transportation Advisory Committee (WCCTAC) will act as the "fiscal agent" for the traffic study and issue an RFP in October. Work could commence by November 15.

Indian gaming has blossomed throughout the US since a 1988 Supreme Court ruling opened the door for tribes to operate casinos. Casinos soon appeared on distant reservations, but landless tribes like the Pomo, had to wait for more recent federal and state legislation to develop sites in urban areas. The proposed venues will not offer your grandmother's sociable weekly bingo game. The electronic games are focused on individuals, around the clock, who often develop gambling addictions with profound consequences for families and society. Governed by the Federal Bureau of Indian Affairs, the rules for tribal casino development limit the extent of mitigations and pose a procedural process that local jurisdictions have no experience grappling with. Hence, our unprecedented contribution to a traffic analysis. It should be noted, however, that the EBBC was part of a broad coalition of groups that halted a casino proposal next to the pristine Arrowhead Marsh and Bay Trail in Oakland earlier this year.

### Casino Proposals

The I-80 Bikeway represents a signed regional route from El Cerrito del Norte



BART to Rodeo. Southbound bicyclists traveling on San Pablo Dam Road are already impacted by the existing San Pablo card room that recently installed hundreds of electronic bingo machines. Because bicyclists cannot legally turn left onto Amador to continue toward the Key Route and BART, they must cross I-80 and make a u-turn in front of the burgeoning casino parking lot before climbing past on-ramps and again crossing I-80 toward Amador. Plans to replace the I-80 crossing by Caltrans reflect the input from EBBC members who have pressed for this crucial improvement since 1997. However, according to Adele Ho with the City of San Pablo, the State funding remains in limbo and there is no date set to begin the project.

The *Contra Costa Times* (9/18/2005) reported on a scenic hike on the Point San Pablo shoreline and ridge led by Richmond trail advocate David Dalberg. "There is a consensus there should be a regional park on this peninsula," said Dalberg. How the long-sought park can co-exist with the proposed Indian casino on the peninsula north of the Richmond-San

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### **NEXT MEETING**

begins on Tuesday, October 18 at 7:30pm at the Rockridge branch of the Oakland Public Library, 5366 College Ave at Manila.

## BART Declares Maps and Schedules to be Proprietary

Threatens legal action against publisher of free BART schedule application for popular Apple iPod

In one of the stupidest cases of government censorship, BART has sent a cease and desist letter to William Bright, owner of the popular *ipodsubwaymaps.com* web site. Bright's web page provides a free downloadable subway map and schedule of the BART system for the ubiquitous Apple iPod.

Given BART's continuing budget and ridership woes, one might expect the district to commend Bright for taking the initiative to increase the user-friendliness of BART. Instead, the district has demanded that Bright remove images of the BART map, logo, and other "intellectual property".

BART's letter states: "*There is a widespread belief that materials published by public agencies such as BART are in the public domain. This belief is incorrect.*"

Note also that BART's brochures, including the fare and schedule guide, are provided on its web site in Adobe .pdf format for viewing — but the files utilize the pdf *password-protection* feature to prevent any "unauthorized" copying of information.

BART spokesman Linton Johnson states that the agency is working on its own downloadable version of subway maps for "iPods and other portable devices." But given that the buggy *bart.gov* web site still cannot produce correct timetables, developing a competitive iPod offering might be beyond the capabilities of BART's IT staff.

The idea that California government agencies can restrict the flow of information through copyright will have a chilling effect on our open government laws. At the Federal level, agencies are not allowed to copyright documents, except in rare cases where specifically permitted to do so by law. At the state level, there is no such blanket restriction — though agencies are prohibited from placing restrictions on copying of "public records."

-Eric McCaughrin

## BAC Calendar

compiled by: John Ruzek

**Alameda County** Sep 8, Oct 13, 5:30 pm, 426 17th Street, Suite 100, Oakland. Refer to [www.acta2002.com/MEETINGS/meetings.html](http://www.acta2002.com/MEETINGS/meetings.html) or call staff to confirm next meeting. Staff: Rochelle Wheeler, 510-267-6121, [RWheeler@acta2002.com](mailto:RWheeler@acta2002.com).

**Albany** Call staff for meeting date. 1000 San Pablo Avenue; Staff: Cherry Chaicarn, (510) 528-5759, [CChai-chaicarn@albanyca.org](mailto:CChai-chaicarn@albanyca.org); EBBC Rep: [PDJordan@lbl.gov](mailto:PDJordan@lbl.gov).

**BART** Dec 5, 6 pm MTC, 101 8th Street, Oakland. Bimonthly, first Mondays. Staff: Laura Timothy, 510-464-6446; Co-Chairs Joe Carroll, 510-604-4821, [Joe-the7thCarroll@lmi.net](mailto:Joe-the7thCarroll@lmi.net), Dave Favello, 925-939-9462, [DaveVelo@aol.com](mailto:DaveVelo@aol.com), - County representatives: Alameda - Eric McCaughrin [EMcCaughrin@yahoo.com](mailto:EMcCaughrin@yahoo.com); Contra Costa - Dave Favello, Craig Hagelin 925-937-7610,

[Chagelin@astound.net](mailto:Chagelin@astound.net).

**Berkeley** Sep 7, Oct 5, 4:00 pm, 2118 Milvia St., 3rd floor, Staff: Heath Maddox, (510) 981-7062, [HMaddox@ci.berkeley.ca.us](mailto:HMaddox@ci.berkeley.ca.us); Chair: Sarah Syed; EBBC Rep: Dave Campbell 510-540-5971 [DCampbel@lmi.net](mailto:DCampbel@lmi.net).

**Brentwood** Brentwood's BAC has recently been abandoned by the Parks and Recreation Department. Contact City Engineer Baily Grewal at 925-516-5420, [deptengineering@ci.brentwood.ca.us](mailto:deptengineering@ci.brentwood.ca.us), to reestablish BAC. EBBC Rep Dave Stoeffler 925-634-1793, [DaveS@ecis.com](mailto:DaveS@ecis.com).

**California Bicycle Advisory Committee (CBAC)** Oct 6, Dec 1, 10:00 - 3:00 pm, Meetings held bimonthly in Sacramento at Department of Transportation, Conference Rm 2116, 1120 N Street. CBAC addresses bicycle issues regarding Caltrans facilities, standards and legislation of statewide significance. Staff: Ken McGuire, Caltrans, 916-653-2750, [Ken\\_McGuire@dot.ca.gov](mailto:Ken_McGuire@dot.ca.gov); Chair: Alan Wachtel, CABO, 650-494-1750, [Wachtel@aol.com](mailto:Wachtel@aol.com); BABC rep.: Deb Hubsmith,

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Refurbished TGV trains in France have added more bike space. This car was formerly a first-class cabin, converted to 2nd class accommodation with optional bike storage area. Historically, it has been difficult to bring bikes onto TGV's. Photo: Jean-Claude Perreaud.

## SHORT REPORTS

**CALTRANS GRANTS** – An Oakland Caltrans Transportation Planning Grants Workshop on August 23 was not held early enough for Nancy Baer, Manager, Injury Prevention and Physical Activity Promotion Projects Contra Costa Health Services (925-313-6837). Ms Baer traveled to Redding to attend a similar workshop held prior to the Oakland session and get a head start on her application to promote walking and bicycling. The EBBC has previously submitted an application for the Coliseum BART to Bay Trail connector, but we need a governmental sponsor to resubmit. Four or five other project ideas backed by the EBBC will need to wait for the next round of funding.

**ALAMEDA COUNTYWIDE BICYCLE PLAN UPDATE** - Led by the Alameda County Congestion Management Agency (CMA), the update is now underway. The CMA's Technical Advisory Committee (ACTAC) meets with members and staff from ACTIA's BPAC and other agencies and interested parties on the first Tuesday of the month, from 11:30 to 1:30 in the CMA Board Room, 1333 Broadway, Suite 220, Oakland. The agenda and attachments are posted at <http://www.accma.ca.gov/pages/meetings.shtml>. All are welcome to attend the meetings or to provide written comment to Beth Walukas at [bwalukas@sbcglobal.com](mailto:bwalukas@sbcglobal.com). You can find the current Plan at: <http://www.accma.ca.gov/pages/taskforce.shtml>

**RICHMOND BAY TRAIL** - Thanks to TRAC's advocacy promoting a donation by Auto Warehousing Company and a grant from Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) Bay Trail Project, construction design is fully funded at \$148,000 for Bay Trail access to historic Kaiser Shipyard 3 in Point Potrero Marine Terminal located at the foot of Canal Blvd. Shipyard 3 is scheduled to become a centerpiece of the Rosie The Riveter/ WW II Home Front National Historical Park because it is the only place where a rich concentration of diverse WW II ship building facilities still remain. See <http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/trac/> for the Richmond Bay Trail map showing the planned trail route.

**POINT PINOLE REGIONAL PARK** – Join the EBBC and a broad group of Bay Trail, park, and environmental advocates at the Pt Pinole Shoreline Festival from noon to 4pm on Saturday, October 15. Come learn about the battle to keep Brunner Marsh out of developer's hands and the EBRPD's pressure to complete the Bay Trail through the Biorad property in Hercules. For details contact Amy Van Walker (510-286-8400) with the North Richmond Shoreline Community Open Space Alliance.

**OAKLAND ENVISIONING MACARTHUR** – A conference will be held at Mills College on Saturday, November 5. You can contact Councilmember Jean Quan ((510)238-7041) who has a page on her website with all the relevant information and a form to register online for the conference at <http://jeanquan.org>.

**ALBANY BAY TRAIL** – The Albany Waterfront Committee met in August with citizens, EBRPD and the company which owns and operates Golden Gate Fields to discuss closing the gap between the existing Bay Trail ends at Buchanan on the north and Gilman on the south. The Bay Trail segment will be installed on land which is privately owned as a part of Golden Gate Fields. For further info contact Nicole Narver, Albany staff to the committee, at [nnarver@albanyca.org](mailto:nnarver@albanyca.org).

**EL CERRITO BART RETROFIT** – Recent passage of the BART Seismic Retrofit Bond will lead to disruption of bikeways adjacent to aerial BART tracks. The City of El Cerrito has invited the EBBC to co-sponsor a planning grant application that will: 1) provide detours for bicyclists when construction disrupts access on the Ohlone Trail; and 2) plan for improvements to the Ohlone Trail following completion of the retrofit work. For further information contact Melanie Mintz, City of El Cerrito (510-215-4339).

**RICHMOND** – Carlson Blvd will be rebuilt to remove the extreme crown height. At a well-attended Richmond Annex neighborhood meeting on September 22nd, the EBBC's suggestion to reconfigure the existing 4-lane road to add bike lanes and improve pedestrian safety received community support. Contact Rich Davidson, Engineering Dept (510-307-8091).

**EMERYVILLE** - The City of Emeryville's General Plan Update Steering Committee held a panel discussion on local Pedestrian and Bicycle issues on September 27, 2005 at 6:30 pm. The panelists were: Elizabeth Deakin, Director of UC's Transportation Center; Christiana Ferracane co-author of Emeryville pedestrian study; Jason Patton, Oakland Pedestrian Safety Project; Robert Raburn, Director of the East Bay Bicycle Coalition; and Rochelle Wheeler, Alameda County Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator. All urged the planners to routinely consider the needs of bicyclists and pedestrians. Raburn added a reminder to begin implementing the access to the Bay Bridge from 40<sup>th</sup> and Shellmound. To comment contact Deborah Diamond, Project Manager (510-596-4303).

**FRUITVALE BART** – Dia de los Muertos will attract a crowd on Sunday October 30 and the Fruitvale BikeStation and EBBC will offer free attended bike parking throughout the event. Visit <http://alamedabicycle.com> to learn about the Fruitvale BikeStation and print out a parking registration form if you wish to adopt a convenient new bike/BART travel pattern.

**ANTIOCH** – The popular bike route on Empire Mine Road will remain open despite closure of the route between southern Antioch and Deer Valley Road to motorists. Thanks to EBBC members for speaking out at the Antioch City Council meeting on September 13, bicyclists will retain access to this rural road that borders the Roddy Ranch property.

**ROUTINE ACCOMMODATION** – The MTC completed their survey of how well local jurisdictions provide for the needs of bicyclists and pedestrians. The draft report included recommendations for how to implement routine accommodation as spelled out by Caltrans' Deputy Directive (DD-64) and Federal Highway Authority policies. The EBBC and advocates from the BABC drafted lengthy comments on the draft report and recommendations. Contact Doug Johnson, MTC (510-817-5846).

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Rafael Bridge is unclear. As a result, the East Bay Regional Park District has sued the city and the casino developer over the casino plan.

While Dalberg practices diplomacy with a hope to extend the Bay Trail and create the park—even if the casino is built—the truth is that overall bicycle access and safety in the area will suffer and the park experience will be degraded if the casino moves forward. Sharing the road with thousands of gamblers is not an appealing prospect for bicyclists. Nor is the peninsula convenient for the many Richmond workers that do not drive. And finally, the added traffic on the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge will surely require additional State highway expenditures/subsidies on both shores while scuttling the prospect of converting the superfluous third lane into a bikeway that retains the maintenance, breakdown and traffic enforcement functions that currently exist.

The draft EIS for the Scotts Valley Band of the Pomo Indians project in North Richmond—the so-called “Sugar Bowl” proposal—has not yet been released. It will be posted on the County’s Website ([www.cccounty.us](http://www.cccounty.us)) under County News – What’s New. A 60-day comment period on the draft EIS is expected. The unincorporated site on the Richmond Parkway is certain to further reduce the bicycle access options along the Parkway. The parallel pathway that was proposed when the Richmond Parkway plans were adopted in 1990 remains to be built. It is also doubtful that either the Bay Trail through the nearby Brunner Marsh or the circuitous on-street bike routes through the area will benefit from increased traffic.

Sara Hoffman, Chief of Staff for the Supervisors best summarized the situation to the Ad Hoc Committee when she stated, “casinos are not appropriate for this region, the best way to mitigate is to not build.”

**-Robert Raburn**

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415-454-7430, [debhub@igc.org](mailto:debhub@igc.org).

**Caltrans District 4**, Oct 11, 1:30 pm, 111 Grand Avenue, Oakland (Call Chair to confirm). Meets quarterly to review state highway projects that impact bicycle facilities. Staff: Julian Carroll, 510-286-5598, [Julian.Carroll@dot.ca.gov](mailto:Julian.Carroll@dot.ca.gov); Chair: Doug Johnson, MTC, 510-464-7846, [DJohnson@mtc.ca.gov](mailto:DJohnson@mtc.ca.gov); EBBC Rep Robert Raburn, (510) 530-3444 [RobertRaburn@ebbc.org](mailto:RobertRaburn@ebbc.org).

**Contra Costa County** Meets yearly in late fall to review TDA Article 3 projects. Staff: Steve Kowalewski, 925-313-2225; Chair: John Ruzek, 925-939-5181, [John\\_Ruzek@yahoo.com](mailto:John_Ruzek@yahoo.com).

**Danville** Meets as required. Staff: Tai Williams, 925-314-3313, [TWilliams@ci.danville.ca.us](mailto:TWilliams@ci.danville.ca.us). Chair: Vacant.

**Dublin** Meets yearly in late fall to review TDA Article 3 projects Staff: Ferd del Rosario, 925-833-6630, [Ferd.delRosario@ci.Dublin.ca.us](mailto:Ferd.delRosario@ci.Dublin.ca.us). East Bay Regional Park District (Park Advisory Committee) Sep 26, Oct 24, 7:30 pm, Board Room, 2950 Peralta Oaks Court, Oakland 94605 Staff: Ro Aguilar, 510-635-0138 x2006, Chair: Henry Losee, 510-276-2271, [EBhiker@aol.com](mailto:EBhiker@aol.com).

**El Cerrito** - special Community Workshop on the Circulation Plan for Bicyclists, Pedestrians, and the Disabled. Call staff for follow-up meeting date, EC Community Center, Council Chambers, 7007 Moeser Lane. Staff: Natasha

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#### SUPPORTING BUSINESSES

- **Alameda Cycle** 1522 Park St, Alameda
- **Bay Area Bikes** 1050 West Grand Ave, Oakland
- **Cycle California! Magazine** <http://www.cyclecalifornia.com>
- **Cycle City** 1433 High St., Alameda
- **Cycle Sports** 3530 Grand Ave, Oakland
- **Dublin Cyclery**, 7001 Dublin Blvd, Dublin
- **Encina Bicycle Center**, 2901 Ygnacio Valley Rd, Walnut Creek
- **Electric Bike Network** <http://www.myebike.com>
- **Hank & Frank Bicycles** 3377 Mount Diablo Blvd, Lafayette
- **Hank & Frank Bicycles** 6030 College Ave, Oakland
- **Left Coast Cyclery** 2928 Domingo Ave, Berkeley
- **Mike’s Bikes of Berkeley** 2133 University Ave, Berkeley
- **Mike’s Bikes of San Francisco** 1233 Howard, San Francisco
- **Mike’s Bikes of Palo Alto** 3001 El Camino Real, Palo Alto
- **Mike’s Bikes of Sausalito** #1 Gate 6 Rd, Sausalito
- **Mike’s Bikes of San Rafael** 1601 4th Street, San Rafael
- **Montano Velo** 4266 Piedmont Ave, Oakland
- **Missing Link** 1988 Shattuck Ave, Berkeley
- **Omafeits** 2001 Milva St, Berkeley
- **Palmer Group** <http://www.bikeparking.com>
- **The Pedaler** 3826 San Pablo Dam Rd, El Sobrante
- **Perfection Cyclery** 1341-H N. Main St, Walnut Creek
- **REI Berkeley, Concord, Fremont**
- **Sharp Bicycle** 969 Moraga Rd., Lafayette
- **Stone’s Cyclery** 2320 Santa Clara Ave, Alameda
- **Wheels of Justice Cyclery** 2024 Mountain Blvd, Oakland
- **Wilson Bicycle Sales** <http://www.wilsonbike.com>

Present your valid EBBC membership card (clip mailing label on back cover) to obtain member discount at participating retailers. Soon, you will be seeing the EBBC logo on bike shop windows to indicate that the shop is an EBBC supporter and offers member discounts (typically 5-15% on bikes, parts, and accessories). The mailing label must indicate that the membership is “Current” to qualify.

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**BART-SAN JOSE** - When the VTA last submitted projected ridership numbers for a San Jose BART extension, they were far too low to qualify for Federal funding: the FTA gave the project a "Not Recommended" rating. The VTA has now released a new study for the \$6 billion(!) project giving a new estimate of 110,000 daily trips — up from the previously projected 87,200. The VTA claims the increase comes from newer ABAG projections. This level of ridership would put San Jose on par with the transit-oriented San Francisco financial district in terms of BART trips (overall, San Francisco has 3 times the density of San Jose). Or to put it another way: the San Jose BART extension would carry as many riders as the Los Angeles Red Line, which goes through the extremely busy Wilshire corridor.

**BART-OAK** - A proposed monorail to connect Coliseum BART with the Oakland Airport has run into more cost overruns. It is now \$70 million short, leading the Port of Oakland to take the unprecedented step of seeking private investment for the project. It is not entirely clear how bonds would be paid off — BART does not turn a profit and requires public subsidies. One suggestion is to implement a \$5 surcharge for the short trip. Currently, AirBART shuttlebus service costs \$2, and AC Transit bus service to the airport cost \$1.75. It should also be noted that the SFO BART extension had been predicted to turn a profit, but in fact runs a considerable deficit due to low ridership.

**BIKE/PED BRIDGE TOLLS** - AB 748 would have prohibited agencies from charging a toll to "any bridge or highway that is part of the state highway system." It was passed by the Legislature in response to a proposal by the Golden Gate Transit District to charge a toll for bikes and pedestrians to cross the Golden Gate Bridge. Governor Schwarzenegger voted the bill, stating it would inappropriately usurp control from local agencies.

**\$17 MILLION BIKE TUNNEL** - In a unanimous vote, the Marin County Board of Supervisors approved plans for a bike tunnel connecting the San Rafael Transit Center to the Larkspur Ferry Tunnel. The vote clears the way for \$1.25 million in preliminary engineering work.

## Openings on the Board of Directors

In the fall of each year, the EBBC elects a Board of Directors to serve for the following year. If you are interested in serving on the board, or know someone who would be a good candidate, please contact ([rrick1@mindspring.com](mailto:rrick1@mindspring.com)) at 510-482-5968. Nominations will be submitted at the October General Meeting (October 18), and the election will take place at the November meeting (November 15).

Those who serve on the EBBC board are expected to:

- Serve as an example for others in the community
- Represent the interests of the EBBC (to promote bicycling as an everyday means of transportation and recreation)
- Consult with the Chair, Executive Director, or seek Board consensus, before formally expressing an EBBC position
- Attend all Board and General Membership meetings

Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month except December, and all Board members are asked to attend the annual board retreat on a weekend in January.

### Other Volunteer Opportunities

Even if you are not interested in serving on the board, there are many other opportunities to help EBBC to accomplish its mission. A list of some of our volunteer opportunities and current needs includes:

- Membership Database Coordinator - Perform monthly updates to the membership database.
- Membership Database Assistant- forwards address labels to printer on monthly basis, work with the executive director to identify audience for renewal or special mailings, assist membership director with monthly updates following renewal mailings, provide periodic reports to the board of EBBC membership, provide quality control review of data entry
- Volunteer Coordinator - Solicit volunteers for events via the web, list-serve, and newsletter and organize time allotments to

insure events are adequately staffed.

- Newsletter Editor - Work with existing publisher to solicit and collect text and images for 11 issues of rideOn (Jan-Nov) including meeting minutes and BAC calendar by last Friday of each month (except Dec), work with the Executive Director to identify appropriate issues for emphasis, provide camera-ready pages to printer two weeks prior to third Tuesday meeting dates.
- Webmaster - Assist existing webmaster in keeping content up-to-date.
- Hazard Elimination Coordinator - Assist existing coordinator in processing Hazard Reports.
- Bicycle Advisory Committee Calendar Publication - Assist existing BAC Calendar author to insure content is up-to-date.
- Administrative Assistant - Collect and sort mail from PO Box and deliver membership forms and checks to the respective membership director and treasurer at monthly meetings.

Please contact ([rrick1@mindspring.com](mailto:rrick1@mindspring.com)) at 510-482-5968 if you are interested in these or other volunteer opportunities.



*Bicycle lane blocked near West Oakland BART*

## Minutes

of the Board and General Meetings of September 20, 2005, held at the Rockridge Branch of the Oakland Public Library

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

**CHAIR** was Dave Campbell, in the absence of our regular chair.

**RE-CYCLED PAPER** - We voted to use 100% post-consumer re-cycled paper, although it costs a bit more.

**THUNDERHEAD ALLIANCE** is a national bicycle activist organization. We voted to pay the \$250 fee for each of 2 members who will volunteer to represent us by attending the Oct 28-30, 2005, meeting in SF.

**BOARD MEETING ADJOURNED** - Next Board meeting 7:00 PM, Tue, Nov 15, 2005. All members may participate.

### GENERAL MEETING

**CHAIR** was Dave Campbell, in the absence of our regular chair.

**MINUTES** of previous meeting of Tue, Aug 16, 2005, were approved.

**CAR-FREE DAY** in Oakland will be this Thurs, Sep 22. Our own Jennifer Stanley is the City of Oakland bike co-ordinate. We voted to see if we could close a downtown street for Oakland's next Car-Free Day, in 2006.

**UC BERKELEY CYCLING TEAM** members will receive a copy of our West-of-the-Hills bike map, an invitation to join EBBC, and a copy of our newsletter, as suggested by Mike's Bikes, who supplies the team's bikes.

**HOW BERKELEY CAN YOU BE?** parade and celebration will be Sun, Sep 25, 10-6, in Berkeley Civic Center Park.

**CALDECOTT TUNNEL 4th BORE COALITION** meeting will be Mon, Sep 26, 7 PM,

in Rockridge Library.

**COMMUTER CHOICE TRANSPORTATION FAIR** will be Thu, Oct 6, 10:30-1:30, in Hacienda Business Park, Pleasanton.

**CALTRANS DISTRICT 4 BAC** meeting will be Wed, Oct 12, 1:30 PM, CalTrans bldg, 111 Grand Av, Oakland.

**REGIONAL BIKE WORKING GROUP** (tentative) Thu, Oct 20, 1:00 PM, MTC bldg.

**POINT PINOLE COALITION** meeting, Sat, Oct 15

**AD HOC GAMBLING CASINO TASK FORCE** will study the impact of casinos on transportation. Raburn attends these meetings with Supervisors Uilkema and Gioia.

**DELTA TRAILS**, State Senator Torlakson held a press conference on Sep 2 regarding use of the former Concord Navy Weapons Station. We want Port Chicago Highway re-opened for bikes since it is the only flat bike route connecting the East Bay with the rest of the USA lying to the east.

**SAFETY QUIZZES** We voted to spend \$1,750 to print more quizzes in English.

**ROUTINE ACCOMMODATION** study by MTC to see if every project to build new roads and repair old roads will have routine accommodations for bikes and peds.

**CALIF WALK & ROLL CONFERENCE** was in Ventura Sep 14-16.

**MARIN AVE IN ALBANY & BERKELEY** is undergoing a 'road diet' - i.e., 4 lanes of traffic are being changed to 2 traffic lanes, 2 bike lanes, and a center turn lane.

**SAFE ROUTES TO TRANSIT (SR2T)**

money from a recent ballot proposition is in the process of being administered by TALC and EBBC. The money is to be used to get motorists out of their cars and off the bay bridges.

**EAST Co Co REPORT:** Bicyclists from the Delta Pedalers and the EBBC prevailed when the Antioch City Council decided to close the Empire Mine Road to automobile traffic but have it remain open to peds and bikes. Staff's initial recommendation was to be a complete closure, but after receiving numerous calls and e-mails, the City Engineer changed his recommendations.

**BRIDGE TOLL INCREASE, SB 523**, Senator Torlakson, is on the Governor's desk.

**CYCLES OF CHANGE** - We voted to give graduates of this program free EBBC maps. This program helps youngsters to learn bike repair and safe bike riding.

**SPEAKER** was Matt Todd of the Alameda County Congestion Management Agency (CMA).

**NEXT MEETING** will be Tue, Oct 18, 2005, 7:30 PM, at the Rockridge Library on College Ave at Manila St in Oakland, CA.

Respectfully submitted by Yehuda Sherman, sec'y.

**EBBC Online Resources**

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To **subscribe** or **unsubscribe**, go to <http://lists.ebbc.org/listinfo.cgi/ebbc-talk-ebbc.org>, and follow the instructions.

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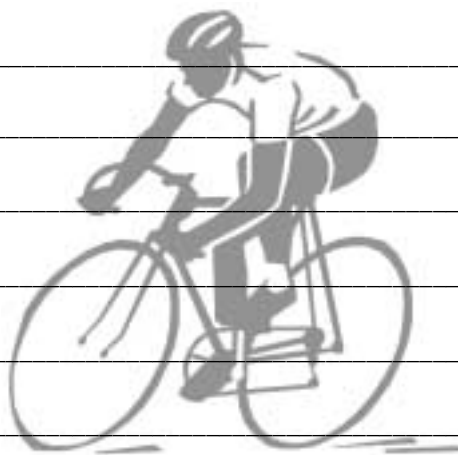
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**Fremont** Sep 21, Oct 19, 7:00 pm, Niles Room, 39550 Liberty Street. (call to confirm) Staff: Rene Dalton, 510-494-4535, RDalton@ci.fremont.ca.us. Chair: EBBC Rep Michael.Graff@pobox.com.

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**Livermore** (BAC being formed.) Call Community Development Department, 925- 960-4500, for further info)

**Oakland** Sep 15, Oct 20, 4:00 pm at 250 Frank Ogawa Plaza, Suite 4314. Staff: Kathryn Hughes 510-238-6493, KHughes@oaklandnet.com; Chair: Ron Bishop 510-652-4667, RBishop747@aol.com.

**Pittsburg** Community Advisory Committee Sep 7, Oct 5, 7:00 pm, City Council Chambers, 65 Civic Ave EBBC Rep: “Ole” Ohlson, BruceOleOhlson@hotmail.com, (925) 439-5848, Staff: Paul Reinders, PReinders@ci.Pittsburg.ca.us, 925-252-4822.

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**Pleasanton** Next meeting TBD. Staff: Mike Tassano, 925-931-5670

**Union City** 3:00 pm, City Hall, 34009 Alvarado-Niles Road, call staff for next meeting

date. Staff: Joan Malloy, 510-675-5327, JMalloy@ci.union-city.ca.us.

**UC Berkeley** TBD 3-5 pm 2150 Kittredge St., 3rd Floor. Refer to www.berkeley.edu/transportation or call staff for meeting dates. Chair Karl Hans, KHans@uclink4.Berkeley.edu; EBBC Rep: Rachel Hiatt 510-325-6665 RHiatt@uclink.berkeley.edu, Staff Rita Bond, RitaBond@uclink4.berkeley.edu, 510-642-7194.

**Walnut Creek** Sep 14, Nov 9, 7:30 pm, 3rd Floor conf. Room, City Hall, 1666 N. Main. Staff: Mike Vecchio, Community Development, 925-943-5899 x 216; Vecchio@walnut-creek.org, Chair Peter Cartwright, pxcartw@prodigy.net, 925-930-0993 EBBC Rep: Dave Favello, DaveVelo@aol.com.

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