

Press Release

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Mendocino Council of Governments

The **Mendocino County Pedestrian Needs Assessment and Engineered Feasibility Study** is a project led by the Mendocino Council of Governments (MCOG) and funded by Caltrans. The project has a simple goal: **to improve sidewalks, paths, and safe crossings in Mendocino County so it's easier to walk where you need to.**

The **Draft South Coast/Greater Point Arena Area Project Evaluation Report is now available for review! See website: <https://mendopedestrian.org/>.** This report considers prior plans, existing conditions, and public and agency input to create a complete list and descriptions of projects to make it easier to walk in South Coast communities. We encourage your comments or questions. The comment period on the draft will end on March 31, 2019.

Comments can be emailed to: kristiana@trailpeople.net

Or mailed to: Mendo Pedestrian Comments, Mendocino Council of Governments, 367 N. State Street, Suite 206, Ukiah CA 95482

The study is being done in two overlapping phases starting with the **South Coast/Greater Point Arena Area**, followed by the **North Coast/Inland Area** (the rest of the County). Each study area has (or will have) three documents:

- 1) the **Existing Conditions Study** captures walking projects that were already "on the books" and inventories existing walking facilities or gaps in each community. It also reviews standards and guidelines for pedestrian improvements and includes a "toolkit" showing a wide range of improvement types;
- 2) the **Public Input Summary** captures comments from the on-line survey and interactive input map and a series of workshops and meetings about ideas and preferences for walking improvements in each community;
- 3) the **Project Evaluation Report** considers the prior plans, the existing conditions, and the public and agency input to create a complete list of pedestrian projects, and to estimate the cost and evaluate the performance of the projects against a set of criteria.

The separate documents will be incorporated into one combined document, and the overall Mendocino County pedestrian project priority list will be prepared from the preliminary project rankings considering regional distribution.

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