

Bicycle Plan for Chatham County

Overview for Transportation Advisory Board

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Today's Handouts:

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Project Timeline

Phase	Phase Description and Outputs	Tentative Draft Due Date
I	Collect Information on Past and Existing Conditions and Policies (Existing conditions, plans)	December 3
II	Develop Plan Framework and Focus (Facility standards, visions, goals, priority corridors)	December 24
III	Develop and Complete Plan Rough Draft (Facilities, programs, recommendations, implementation guidance)	Mid March 2011

Potential Stakeholders

Government Units

- Chatham County Parks and Recreation
- Chatham County Public Works
- Chatham County Planning
- Chatham County Sheriff's Office
- Pittsboro-Siler City Convention and Visitors Bureau
- Chatham County Economic Development Corporation
- Siler City Parks and Recreation
- Siler City Police
- Pittsboro Parks and Recreation
- Pittsboro Planning
- Pittsboro Police Department
- Chatham County Public Schools

Bicyclists and Activists

- North Carolina Bicycle Club
- Performance Bicycle Headquarters
- Triangle Greenways Council
- Jeffrey Starkweather
- Cynthia Van Der Wiele

Bike Shops in Cary and Apex

- Cary/Apex Bicycle Chain Shop
- Woodside Bike East
- Cycling Spoken Here(Cary and Apex)

Proposed Survey – Bicycling in Chatham County

The attached draft survey will be available online through Survey Monkey.

Bicycling in Chatham County

* 1. What kind of rider are you?

- Beginner: New rider or child
- Intermediate: Relatively skilled rider, not comfortable on busy roads
- Advanced: Highly skilled rider, comfortable "taking the lane"
- I don't ride

* 2. Where are you comfortable riding or where would you be comfortable if you don't ride now? (check all that apply)

- On busy, wide roads (like 15-501)
- On narrow streets with heavy traffic
- On quiet, back roads or local streets
- Off street paths (like the American Tobacco Trail)

Other (please specify)

* 3. Why do you bike or why would you bike if you don't ride now? (check all that apply)

- For exercise / health reasons
- For enjoyment
- For shopping / errands
- To get to work
- To get to school
- I don't bike

Other (please specify)

* 4. Are the majority of your bicycle trips (current or potential) recreational or utilitarian (i.e. to work, school, stores, etc.)?

- Recreational (i.e. exercise, outdoors)
- Utilitarian (i.e. work, school, shopping, etc.)
- Not sure

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* 5. How often do you currently ride?

- Never
- Rarely (several times a year)
- Sporadically (several times a month)
- Often (Two to three times a week)
- Daily

* 6. How often would you like to ride?

- Never
- Rarely (several times a year)
- Sporadically (several times a month)
- Often (Two to three times a week)
- Daily

7. What prevents you from biking more often? (check all that apply)

- Bikeways / roads are in poor condition
- Destinations are too far away
- I don't have enough time
- I have too many things to carry
- I travel with small children
- Insufficient bike parking or storage
- Insufficient lighting
- No bike paths, bike lanes or bike routes
- Unsafe / unlawful bicyclists behavior
- Unsafe / unlawful motorists behavior
- Weather

Other (please specify)

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★ **8. On average, how far are your rides(one-way) now or potentially would be if you did ride?**

- Less than a mile
- One to 5 miles
- 6-10 miles
- 11-20 miles
- More than 20 miles

★ **9. How likely would the following improvements influence you to bike more often?**

	Highly Likely	Likely	Not Likely	I Would Ride Less
Bike lanes on major roads	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Paved and widened shoulders on rural roads	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
More Paved (off-street) Bike Paths/Trails	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Bicycle boulevards (shared roadways signed as bike routes)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Widened outside/curb lanes on major streets	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
More on-road bike signage	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
More driver and bicyclist education programs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
More maintenance of existing facilities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Tighter enforcement of traffic laws	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
More bicycle parking/storage	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Amenities (i.e. benches or water fountains)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

10. What Chatham County intersections or roads are difficult to bicycle on and why?

1. Road/intersection and problem
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3. Road/intersection and problem
4. Road/intersection and problem
5. Road/intersection and problem

★ **11. Have you ever ridden one of North Carolina's State Bike Routes that traverse the county?**

- Yes
- No
- Not Sure
- I don't ride

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* 12. Did you know that designated state bike routes exist in the county?

Yes

No

* 13. Have you ever ridden on the American Tobacco Trail's section in Chatham County?

Yes

No

No, but I plan to.

No, I don't ride.

* 14. Where in the county do you live? (enter in municipality, subdivision or general area)

15. Please provide any other comments on the questions or on your concerns regarding bicycling within the Chatham County.

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16. If you would like to receive more information about the bicycling plan and bicycling's future in Chatham County, please fill out the contact information below.

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City/Town:	<input type="text"/>
Email Address:	<input type="text"/>
Phone Number:	<input type="text"/>