

Bikeways Project Final Presentation

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Old Attribute	Old Definition	New Attribute	New Definition	
Paved Trail	Paved, off-street, 8 feet or more in width.	Paved Trail	These bikeways consist of paved trails off of city streets	
Non-paved Trail	Off-street, 8 feet or more in width	Non-paved Trail	These bikeways are unpaved trails	
Bike Lane	On-street, designated, 4 feet or more in width	Bike Lane	These bikeways are on-street, are 4 feet or more in width	
Paved Shoulder >= 5 feet	Paved, 5 feet to 8 feet in width	Paved Shoulder >= 5 Feet	These bikeways are paved and have a width o 5 to 8 feet	
Low Volume Road with Shoulder < 5 feet	County roads only, 1000 AADT or less	Low Volume Road with Shoulder < 5 Feet	These bikeways include only <i>County roads</i> with a traffic volume of 1000 AADT or less	
US/State Road with Paved Shoulder >= 5 feet	Mn/DOT roads only, 10,000 AADT or less	US/State Road with Paved Shoulder >= 5 Feet	These bikeways include only <i>MN/DOT roads</i> with a traffic volume of	
Paved Trail, one way direction	ed Trail, one way direction One-way. Paved, off-street		These bikeways must be one-way, paved, of street,	
Non-paved Trail, one way direction	One-way. Off-street, 8 feet or more in width	Non-paved Trail, One-Way Direction	These bikeways are one-way, unpaved	
Bike Lane, one way direction	One-way. On-street, designated, 4 feet	Bike Lane, One-Way Direction	These bikeways are one-way, on-street	
Paved Shoulder >= 5 feet, one way direction	One-way. Paved shoulder 5 feet to 8 feet in width	Paved Shoulder >= 5 Feet, One-Way Direction	These bikeways are one-way, paved	
Other	NA	Other	Bikeways that do not fit into any of the above categories	
NA	NA	Gap Filler	These bikeways consist of relatively short segments used to connect official bikeways	
Low Volume Road with Paved Shoulder < 5 feet, one way direction	County roads only, 1000 AADT or less. One-way. Road with paved shoulder	NA (Deleted – deemed unnecessary)	NA	
US/State Road with Paved Shoulder >= 5 feet, one way direction	Mn/DOT roads only, 10,000 AADT or less. One-way. Paved shoulder	NA (Deleted - deemed unnecessary)	NA	
Sub-Standard		NA (Deleted - deemed unnecessary)	NA	









Crosswalk for "Active" Attribute

Old Attribute	Old Definition	Old Field Length	Old Field Type	New Attribute	New Definition	New Field Length	New Field Type
ACTIVE	0 = FALSE – proposed/planned trail 1 = TRUE – existing trail	1	SHORT INTEGER	Active	Y = Yes, the Bikeway is active N = No, it is a proposed Bikeway		STRING

•Proposed by whom?

- •How would an organization using this guide seek out information on non-active bikeways?
- •To which groups/organizations is data on proposed bikeways relevant?





Problems & Issues

- •Value of Proposed Bikeways
- •"Other" type
- •Bridges
- Gap Connectors



Surface Quality/1

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Old Attribute	Definition	New Attribute	Definition
SHLD-TYPE	Shoulder surface type ex. none, aggregate, bituminous	Surface Type	Material used for bike lane (not specifically the shoulder) ex. Dirt, concrete, asphalt, crushed rock, gravel, Mtn bike trail
SHLD-RUMB	Shoulder rumble stripped (Y or N)	Shoulder Rumble Strip	Shoulder rumble stripped (Y or N)
SHLD-PARK	Motor vehicle parking ex. Unrestricted, No Parking – Anytime	Shoulder Usage: Parking	Motor vehicle parking allowed (Y or N)
SHLD-BUS	Shoulder bus only (Y or N)	Bus	Bikeway utilized by buses (Y or N)
Notes in SOURCE_KEY	NA	Plowed	Plowed (Y or N)
NA	NA	Shoulder Drain-gutter	Drain gutter present (Y or N)
			Surface Quality/2















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Surface Type Dirt	Concrete A	Asphalt
Grav	el Crushed Rock	(Mountain Bike Trail)
Shoulder Rumble Stripping	Yes No	
Shoulder Usage	On-street Parking Bus Use Plowed	Yes No Yes No Yes No
Shoulder Drainage	Yes No	
Creation Date (and/or Resurfacing Date)*	Creation Date	Resurfacing Date
Pavement Condition Rating	123	_ 4 5
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NAME	SUR_TYPE	SHLD_RUMB	SHLD_BUS	SHLD_PK	SHLD_PW	SHLD_DRAIN	*DATE_CR		
Summit Ave	asphalt	N	N	Y		N			
Fairview Ave S	asphalt	N	N	N		N			
River Rd	asphalt	N	N	N		Y			
Grand Ave	asphalt	N	Y	Y		Y			
Saint Clair Ave	asphalt	N	Y	Y		Ν			
Jefferson Ave	asphalt	N	N	Y		Y			
Randolph Ave	asphalt	N	Y	Y		Y			
Cretin Ave S	asphalt	N	Y	Y		Y			
Cleveland Ave S	asphalt	N	Y	N		Ν			
Prior Ave N	asphalt	N	N	Y		N			
Snelling Ave S	asphalt	N	Y	Y		Y			
Hamline Ave S	asphalt	N	N	Y		Y			
Edgecumbe Rd	asphalt	N	N	Y		Ν			
Ayd Mill Rd	asphalt	N	N	N		Ν			
Lexington Parkway S	asphalt	N	N	Y		N			

The Bicycle Level of Service Model

• Published in *Transportation Research Record 1578* by the Transportation Research Board of the National Academy of Sciences, 1997

 Anchorage AK, Arlington TX, Baltimore MD, Birmingham AL, Buffalo NY, Houston TX, Philadelphia PA, DelDOT, NYDOT, MeDOT

• Extensive guidance has come from Ed Barsotti, Executive Director of the League of Illinois Bicyclists

Suitability / 1



Suitability / 2

Existing Resources	
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BLOS/FLOS Calculator Form	
Created by Ed Barsotti, League of Illinois Bicyclists, 630-978-0583, ed@bikelib.org	
To calculate Bicycle Level of Service (BLOS) and Pedestrian Level of Service (PLOS) of a particular roadway section, fill out the following for the typical cross-section. Results will pop up in a new window. Default values will be used for any fields left empty.	
Some details on the input fields and their ranges are here. Further information and references on these measures are here.	
Through lanes per direction: (Default = 1)	
Width of outside lane, to outside stripe, in ft: (Default = 12)	
Paved shoulder, bike lane, OR marked parking area - outside lane stripe to	
Bi-directional Traffic Volume, in ADT: (Default = 12000)	
Posted speed limit in mph: (Default = 40)	
Percentage of heavy vehicles: (Default = 2)	
FHWA's pavement condition rating: (5 = Best, 1 = Worst; Default = 4)	
Percentage of road segment with occupied on-street parking: (Default = 0)	
Percentage of segment with sidewalks: (0 - 100, default = 100)	
Sidewalk width, in ft: (Default = 5)	
Buffer/natives average tree spacing in ft: (Default = RD 0 for no trees)	
Calculate Reset	
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Transferring data from bikelb.org	
http://bikelib.org/roads/blos/losform.htm	Suitability / 3

Proposed Attribute	Old Definition	Old Field Length	Old Field Type	New Attribute	New Definition	New Field Length	New Field Type
Road_Peak Road_Off	Traffic volume peak and off peak	?	Long Integer	Road_AADT	Bi-Directional annual average daily traffic	5	Long Integer
Road_Speed	Road speed limit in mph	2	Short Integer	Same attribute used			
Lane_Numb	Number of lanes	1	Short Integer	Lane_Numb	Number of lanes on roadway segment, both directions	1	Short Integer
Lane_Width	Width of traffic lane, in feet	3	Short Integer	Lane_Width	Width from outside lane to pavement edge, in feet. Include width of tight-most lane and striped paved shoulders, bike lanes, or striped parking	3	Short Integer

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Proposed Attribute	Old Definition	Old Field Length	Old Field Type	New Attribute	New Definition	New Field Length	New Field Type
Shid_Width	Shoulder width	2	Float	Shid_Width	Paved shoulder, bike lane, or marked parking area, outside lane stripe to pavement edge, in feet. Besides a paved shoulder or a bike lane, this width may also be or include marked parking spols	3	Float
Shid_Park	Shoulder motor vehicle parking, e.g. Unrestricted, No Parking, etc.	24	String	Shld_Park	Percentage of road segment with occupied on-street parking	2	Short Integer
Road_Comm	Heavy Commercial Traffic (Y or N)	1	String	Road_HAADT	Pecentage of AADT which is Heavy Commercial AADT	2	Float
None Proposed				Park_Width	Width of pavement striped for on- street parking, in feet	3	Float

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Proposed Attribute	Old Definition	Old Field Length	Old Field Type	New Attribute	New Definition	New Field Length	New Field Type
None Proposed				Pave_Cond	The FHWA's pavement condition rating from 1(poor) to 5(new). If this data is not available to you, you can make a judgment call using FHWA's Present Serviceability Rating system (referenced in the manual)	1	Short Integer
None Proposed				BLOS_Score	Based on roadway attributes, suitability rates from A-F	1 Set up as domain in geodatabase	String
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9	Summit Ave	Wheeler	Sneling Ave S	2	11,600	2	30	18	5.5	0	0	0	3.5	2.10	B	
10	Summit Ave	Cretin Ave S	Wheeler	2	11,600	2	30	17	4.5	7.5	15	15	3.5	3.15	C	
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Gradient (3)



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1)	Plane fr	om which	-		-				
	siope is	calculated	Zi-1, j+1	Zi, j+1	Zi+1, j+1				
2)	Size of p	of	Zi-1, j	Zi, j	Zi+1, j				
	calculati	on	Zi-1, j-1	Z i, j-1	Zi+1, j-1				
3) (Creating clipped lines.	TIN's from contour							





Calculate Grade Without GIS

- Lack of hardware and / or knowledge of GIS
- Alternative methods chosen based on experience of volunteers
- Trigonometric Levelling vs. Topographic Interpolation



Gradient (7)





Gradient (9)



The Creation of an Amenities Layer

"It would be really helpful, especially when I am biking with my daughter, if there were trail maps that showed me where there is a pretty spot or where we could have a picnic." -Mike Taylor (personal communication)





The Recreational Bikeway Amenities Model

-This model was based on recreational facilities in Orange County, California, Chicago, Illinois and Portland, Oregon as well as AASHTO standards.

- A large amount of guidance was drawn from "*A Pedestrian and Bicycle Planning Guide to Best Practices*" a study completed by the Victoria Transport Policy Institute.
- In addition, person communication with Saint Paul Parks and Recreation as well as numerous recreational bikeways users.

Amenities Generated						
Motor Vehicle Parking	Drinking Fountains					
Information Centers	Benches					
Signage	Picnic Areas					
Restrooms (Toilets)	Picnic Tables					
Lighting	Scenic Overlook					
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Bike Racks						

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Motor Vehicle Parking		Restrooms	
Location	Where is the parking lot located?	Location	Where is the restroom located
Pay	Does it cost money to park? (Yes or No)	Туре	What type of restroom is it? (Port-a- potty, building or other)
Cost	How much does it cost to park? (In dollars/hour).		
		Male Facilities	Are there male facilities? (Yes or No)
Spaces	How many spaces are in the lot?	Female Facilities	Are there female facilities? (Yes or No)
Overnight	Can you park overnight in the lot? (Yes/No)	Baby Changing Facilities	Are there baby changing facilities? (Yes or No)
Handicapped Accessible	Are these parking locations handicapped accessible? (according to ADA standards)	Handicapped Accessible	Is the restroom handicapped accessible? (according to ADA standards)
Notes	Any other relevant and important information	Notes	Any other relevant and important information

The Manual for Amenities on Recreational Bikeways

•Data Collection Process

•Sources

- Secondary Sources
- •Primary Sources











Recommendations for the Future

- Continued data collection in Twin Cities and beyond, throughout Minnesota.
- Constant reanalysis of the suitability of amenities, attributes and manual.
- Creation of an amenities on commuter bikeways layer



Conclusion