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MID-PROJECT UPDATE: SOQUEL DRIVE BUFFERED BIKE LANE & CONGESTION MITIGATION PROJECT

July 30, 2024 – Santa Cruz, CA – The Soquel Drive Buffered Bike Lane & Congestion Mitigation Project is making excellent progress toward its Spring 2025 completion.

Upcoming activities are scheduled across multiple locations on Soquel Drive between La Fonda Avenue to State Park Drive including the installation of ADA ramps, sidewalks with retaining walls, landscape restoration, fiber optic infrastructure for the adaptive traffic signals, rectangular rapid flashing beacons crosswalks, and more.

Since the project began, crews have made significant progress, including:

- Completing 65 out of 95 ADA ramps
- Nearing 75% completion of sidewalk construction
- Finishing two of the eight retaining walls
- Installing approximately 3 miles of fiber optic conduit for the Adaptive Traffic Signals

The Soquel Drive Buffered Bike Lane & Congestion Mitigation Project aims to improve transportation infrastructure, enhance safety for cyclists and pedestrians, and reduce traffic congestion along Soquel Drive.

To keep up with the latest updates and view the full project schedule, please visit our website at www.soqueldrivebufferedproject.com.

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