

# CMAQ PROJECT POLLOCK PINES - PONY EXPRESS TRAIL BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS



## Project Description

On March 7, 2019, EDCTC programmed \$510,000 in CMAQ funding to complete the preliminary design, environmental and right-of-way phases to support active transportation improvements in the Pollock Pines area. Improvements include a six-foot wide pedestrian path, Class II bike lanes, ADA and crossing improvements to connect mobile home parks, jobs, and services in the community. The limits of the project are along Pony Express Trail from Sanders Drive to Sly Park Road. The project details are as follows:



- Addition of approximately 4600 linear feet of new and reconstructed pedestrian path
- Installation of 1.7 miles of Class II bike lanes
- New signing and striping for existing mid-block crossings
- Eight new solar powered flashing beacons
- New and/or upgraded ADA compatible pedestrian ramps

## Current Project Status

CEQA and NEPA are complete. CEQA was filed on August 28, 2019, and NEPA CE was signed on October 28, 2019. The project is designed to 100%. In July 2020, EDCTC received a request from El Dorado County DOT to reprogram \$100,000 in CMAQ cost-savings from the Preliminary Engineering and Right-of-Way phase of the project to the construction phase. In order to achieve the cost savings, DOT completed the Class II Bike Lanes component of the project in conjunction with an overlay project on Pony Express Trail Road. EDCTC also programmed \$80,000 in TDA/LTF Pedestrian/Bicycle funding to support the County's request for construction funding through the Cycle 5 State Active Transportation Program. In March of 2021, The California Transportation Commission approved their recommendations for Statewide ATP, and the Pony Express Trail Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements project was awarded \$1,440,000 in funding. The project experienced some delays as a result of both the COVID-19 pandemic as well as the Caldor Fire during fall of 2021. The primary challenge was obtaining the Right-of-Way Certification as property owners were non-responsive in fall 2021. A 12 month extension request for the ATP funding was approved at the June 2022, CTC meeting. In May 2022, EDCTC programmed an additional \$800,000 in Urban STBG funding to support increased construction and right-of-way costs to ensure successful delivery of the project. The allocation request for construction funding was approved at the May CTC meeting and the bids came in higher than expected. In September 2023, EDCTC programmed an additional \$700,000 to the project, adding \$500,000 in Urban STBG and \$200,000 in TDA Bicycle and Pedestrian funding. Construction started in October of 2023, and went into a winter shut down. Work will re-start in spring 2024. Some key crosswalk safety improvements are slated for construction through a related HSIP project this spring.

## Upcoming Activities

- Continue construction work in Spring 2024

PROJECT FUNDING DETAIL				
Project Phase	Amount Programmed	Source	Status	Project Cost
PA&ED/PS&E	\$265,000	CMAQ	Obligated April 2019	\$265,000
ROW	\$145,000	CMAQ	RFA Submittal August 2020	\$145,000
Construction	\$100,000	CMAQ	Programmed	\$100,000
Construction	\$280,000	TDA/LTF	Programmed	\$280,000
Construction	\$1,300,000	USTBG	Programmed	\$1,300,000
Construction	\$1,440,000	ATP	Awarded ATP Funding	\$1,440,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,530,000</b>			<b>\$3,530,000</b>