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# Greater Albuquerque Active Transportation Committee (GAATC) – AGENDA

12 July 2021 | 4:00 – 6:00 PM



Attend in Person:  
City Hall – DMD 7th Floor  
Conference Room (Room 7096)

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## Welcome and Introductions

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Robin Allen<br>NE Quadrant           | <input type="checkbox"/> Vacant<br>SE Quadrant                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Dan Jensen<br>NW Quadrant               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nevarez Encinias<br>SW Quadrant      | <input type="checkbox"/> Richard Meadows (chair)<br>Pedestrians + Transit Users | <input type="checkbox"/> Josiah Hooten<br>Bicyclists             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vacant<br>Individuals w/a Disability | <input type="checkbox"/> Raul Chavira<br>Youth (Under 24)                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Lanny Tanning<br>Older Adults (over 60) |

## Approval of July Meeting Agenda

## Approval of June Meeting Minutes

## General Announcements / Meeting Format

### Public Comments (2 minute limit per audience member)

- Please email comments to [treed@cabq.gov](mailto:treed@cabq.gov) prior to the meeting or use the virtual raise hand feature during the meeting.

### Presentations

- Rumble Strips and Bike Lanes (Nathan Molina, Council Services)
- Street Maintenance/Complete Streets (Terra Reed, DMD)

### Staff Reports

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Municipal Development (DMD) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Engineering</li> <li>○ Vision Zero</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Council Services</li> <li>• Parks and Recreation</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Planning</li> <li>• Bernalillo County</li> <li>• MRCOG</li> <li>• NMDOT District 3</li> </ul> |
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### Discussion / Action Items

- RAISE Grant update (planning vs. construction)
- GAATC roles, responsibilities, needs

### Public Comments (2 minute limit per audience member)

## Adjourn

**Next Meeting: August 9, 2021**



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### Committee Members Present

Richard Meadows (Chair), Josiah Hooten, Robin Allen, Lanny Tanning

### Committee Members Absent

Raul Chavira; Nevarez Encinias, Dan Jensen

### Staff Members Present

Terra Reed (DMD); Dianne Dolan (Council Services), Nathan Molina (Council Services – Councilor Benton’s Office), Petra Morris (Council Services), Sheryl Somerfeldt (Parks + Recreation), Hugh Hulse (Parks + Recreation – Esperanza Community Bicycle Center), Carrie Barkhurst (Planning), Julie Luna (Bernalillo County), Tara Cok (MRCOG)

### Visitors Present

James Martinez, Reuben Martinez, Forrest Courtney, Liz Langston

**Richard M called the meeting to order at 4:06 PM**

### Approval of July Meeting Agenda

- *Lanny Tanning (motion); Robin Allen (second) – approved unanimously*

### Approval of June Meeting Minutes

- *Lanny Tanning (motion); Robin Allen (second) – approved unanimously*

### General Announcements / Meeting Format

#### Public Comments (2 minute limit per audience member)

- James Martinez: Thank you for new NDC bridges and Indian School notch. Father, Reuben Martinez, longtime rider. Last Tuesday, took a spill on the Bosque Trail bridge next to NHCC – the bridge is very slippery when wet, which is dangerous.
- Reuben Martinez: Last Tuesday, it had rained the night before our ride. Riding south, there are signs on the bridge that say slippery when wet – I slowed down significantly following the signs, but the bike still went out from under me. Several injuries, including 5 broken ribs. Something should be done to make that bridge safer.
  - Richard M: That bridge is within Bernalillo County jurisdiction.
  - James M: the material used on the NDC bridges is helpful. As it gets hotter, more people are riding earlier when there is rain or dew. The bridge is also a bit narrow for multiple users.
- Liz Langston: I crashed on the same bridge in the same way. Thank you for the trail, but that bridge is dangerous.
  - Julie L: We have contacted our Operations + Maintenance Director and asked about whether it is possible to make similar changes on this bridge as were made on the NDC bridges. We have also reached out to CABQ staff and their consultant to determine what would be needed to implement a similar treatment.



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### Presentations

#### Rumble Strips and Bike Facilities (Nathan Molina, Council Services)

- Reviewing the idea of using rumble strips on Indian School between Indian Plaza Blvd and Harvard Dr. In this area, we will be restriping the road to narrow the left driving lane slightly, which will allow us to expand the bike lane slightly to 4.5' instead of 4' [see attached designs]. Because these bike lanes are still fairly narrow, we have been looking at other ways that might increase safety for cyclists. We are considering putting rumble strips in the right driving lane, along the 6" bike lane stripe.
- Discussion:
  - Richard M: Would it be possible to narrow the two-way left turn lane to leave more room for a wider bike lane?
    - Diane D: Because of the existing 12' raised median along much of the corridor, it would not work or be effective to narrow the two-way left turn lane in just those areas where there is no median.
  - Julie L: League of American Bicyclists did a study on rumble strips several years ago that provided some recommendations for highway environments (through FHWA – [click here to view the guidance](#)). Has that study been reviewed for this project? It has good guidance for rumble strips for bicyclists.
    - Nathan M: Haven't reviewed that study yet.
  - Robin A: Rumble strips seem better in a highway situation. As a cyclist, rumble strips are very hard to ride over if you have to. I wouldn't put the rumble strip on the stripe – I often ride the line when there is debris in the bike lane, so I wouldn't want to put the strip on the stripe. If doing this, I would make sure it is in the vehicle travel lane.
  - Terra R: Worry that cars tend to overcorrect when they drive over rumble strips, which could be more dangerous for cyclists than the narrow bike lane alone.
    - Hugh H: See drivers responding pretty erratically, including overcorrecting into the ART lane, around the rumble strips that were installed along ART lanes. Wouldn't recommend this treatment here.

#### Annual Street Maintenance and Complete Streets (Terra Reed, DMD)

- Every year, the City repaves many streets across the City. In the past, the general approach was to restripe as it was prior to repaving. Based on guidance in the Complete Streets Ordinance, we now review all regular street maintenance projects for opportunities to make improvements to the striping to calm traffic and/or accommodate different road users. This allows the City to leverage an existing and funded program to make improvements, using public dollars wisely.
- The types of improvements include:
  - Narrowing driving lanes to as narrow as 10' where appropriate (11' in areas with transit and/or freight traffic). Narrowing driving lanes helps slow down vehicle traffic.
  - Narrowing the lanes also creates room to add a bike lane or parking lane, expand existing bike lanes, and/or add a buffer to existing bike lanes.



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- Reducing the number of driving lanes (aka “road diet”) – this is not very common because it often requires more of a public input process and more detailed study, but is a possibility in some cases.
- Note that this process does not include alterations to the roadway, medians, or sidewalks – only improvements that can be made using paint/stripping.
- Over the past three or four years, City Council staff, DMD staff, and community advocates, including a representative from GABAC (now GAATC), have met annually to review projects.
- This year, the City has identified a number of improvements that will be installed throughout the summer and into the fall. Some highlights:
  - Many bike lanes that are being expanded to meet newer minimum standard (5’, not including gutter pan), as well as added buffers (generally 2-3’ of striped buffer).
  - Calle Cuervo between Ellison and Corrales Road – reducing from two lanes in each direction to one lane with large buffered bike lanes. This is a well-used bicycle connection because it allows for cyclists to get off of Alameda. Because of low traffic counts, it was possible to road diet this section of the roadway.
  - Central Ave between Juan Tabo and Tramway – reducing bike lanes from three lanes in each direction to two lanes with the outer (right) lane being converted to right turn lanes, transit pullouts, and striped buffer areas. This portion of Central is at the far east end of the corridor within the City, so it was more feasible to incorporate the road diet here than in other sections that have been repaved over the past couple of years. In addition to seeing how this treatment works, this will provide better justification to road diet other portions of Central in the future.
  - On roads that are identified as [proposed Bicycle Boulevards by MRCOG](#), generally proposed striping parking lanes and adding bicycle sharrows. Based in part on comments raised by residents in the Fair West neighborhood who mentioned that the Alvarado Bicycle Boulevard has fast moving vehicle traffic because there are few stop signs to facilitate bicycle movements. Other proposed Bicycle Boulevards have similar conditions where the roadway is very wide, which allows for higher vehicle speeds.
- Richard M: There is another project where a road diet is being implemented on Indian School between Rio Grande and Menaul. The road has been narrowed from two lanes in each direction to one, with buffered bike lanes and parking lanes in some locations.
  - Terra R: Correct. That project was removed from the street maintenance program by Councilor Benton to allow for a slightly different process, but it is generally a similar project that included a number of improvements in the area. This area will also be impacted by a future project, which is the City’s portion of the Alameda Drain Trail project, which will eventually cut over to follow the Campbell Ditch and will include crossing treatments at Indian School to help pedestrians cross.
- Discussion:
  - Hugh H: How quickly will updates to bicycle facilities be added to the online interactive map? Helpful for educational purposes.
    - That process is somewhat delayed due to staffing issues, but there is work being done to get those updates implemented as quickly as possible. Once the data is updated, the online interactive map will be updated.



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- Richard M: Why didn't the repaving project on Lomas include a road diet/narrowing? Is there documentation about why some streets get improvements and others don't?
  - Terra R: There is documentation – plans and notes can be requested. Lomas is similar to Central (and many major streets) – repaving projects are usually around 1 mile long each year, so it is challenging to do road diets for those short stretches – from a connectivity perspective, a road diet for short segments is not very effective.

### Staff Reports

- Municipal Development (DMD)
  - Engineering
    - No updates.
  - Vision Zero (Terra Reed)
    - First video in Vision Zero campaign around sharing the road safely launched: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_iwpWH7\\_8jc](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_iwpWH7_8jc)
    - Louisiana RSA implementation is getting started and hoping to have some engagement elements in October.
- Council Services (Petra Morris)
  - 2 vacancies on GAATC currently – 1 representing southeast quadrant of the city and the other representing people with disabilities. [Apply here](#).
- Parks and Recreation (Cheryl Somerfeldt/Hugh Hulse)
  - Esperanza – extending hours at Esperanza, hoping to add a Saturday popup. [See hours and popup information here](#).
- Planning (Carrie Barkhurst)
  - No updates.
- Bernalillo County (Julie Luna)
  - El Camino Real Historic Trail project: additional opportunities for input in person to supplement virtual input collected during COVID. [see attached report].
  - Isleta Drain Trail Master Plan – funding approved, moving forward on planning process.
  - Coors Boulevard Road Safety Audit (~Gun Club to Rio Bravo) – approved, but not yet started. Increased crashes near Las Estancias shopping center is part of the reason for the RSA.
- MRCOG (Tara Cok)
  - New [Active Transportation data dashboard](#) to provide more information to the public. Open to feedback.
  - Evaluating bicycle and pedestrian count information – looking for input from data users to better understand what type of data would be helpful in the future and how the data is being used. [Take the survey here](#).
  - Discussion
    - Richard M: Has the trend of more biking during COVID been sustained?
      - Tara C: Numbers are moving back in the direction of pre-pandemic numbers, but slightly above.



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- NMDOT District
  - No staff in attendance.

### Discussion / Action Items

#### RAISE Grant Application (Metropolitan Redevelopment Agency)

- Metropolitan Redevelopment Agency (MRA) is revising RAISE Grant application to fund a more comprehensive and equity focused planning process for connected trails in the downtown/rail yards area based on feedback from neighborhood groups. They have requested an updated letter of support to replace the one that was approved at the last meeting.
- Motion to send a revised letter based on the example provided via email by MRA: *Lanny Tanning (motion); Robin Allen (second) – approved unanimously.*

#### GAATC Roles, Responsibilities, Needs

- Richard M: Would like to have elections for a vice-chair for the committee at a future meeting. Members should consider whether they are willing to take on that position.
- Terra R:
  - Consider whether you would like other departments/types of projects presented at future GAATC meetings. Would like GAATC members to help draft language/requests to other departments.
  - What does the committee need from staff?
  - Lanny T has mentioned interest in having more of a public presence sharing resources and GAATC recommendations. Need to know what you would like that to look like and what you need. There is also a GAATC Facebook page that Richard M currently admins that can be used to share resources.
- Richard M: In the past, GABAC members have had roles on other committees (City and other agencies, including MRCOG Active Transportation Committee, Vision Zero Task Force, and Complete Streets review). It would be good to continue to do that – members should consider what groups they might want to serve on.
- Lanny T: Can other committee members be admins on the Facebook page?
  - Richard M: Yes – will add other members as admins.
- Lanny T: Could the City put out a request for a contract to develop an app for the bike map that would include the map, as well as opportunities to interact? In San Francisco, used an app called Blazing Saddles that tracks how much you ride on rented bikes.
  - Terra R: City staff are looking at GIS tools to develop a more usable map. Lots of peoples use multiple activity apps, so it would be interesting to know what kind of app people would want to have – tools, etc.
  - Cheryl S: Parks + Rec Trails Planner has been working on getting an app called OuterSpatial that would include all City, County, State, and Federal trails. One of the benefits is that you can post updates – trail closures, events, etc.

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- James Martinez: Southern portion of the Bosque Trail (south of Bridge) has a lot of drainage issues and sinkholes. People come out and spray paint them to warn about the danger, but would like to see them getting fixed more often.
  - Julie L: Did a recent project to address some of the destabilization issues on a portion of the trail that was damaged. Many challenges but trying to keep up with issues.

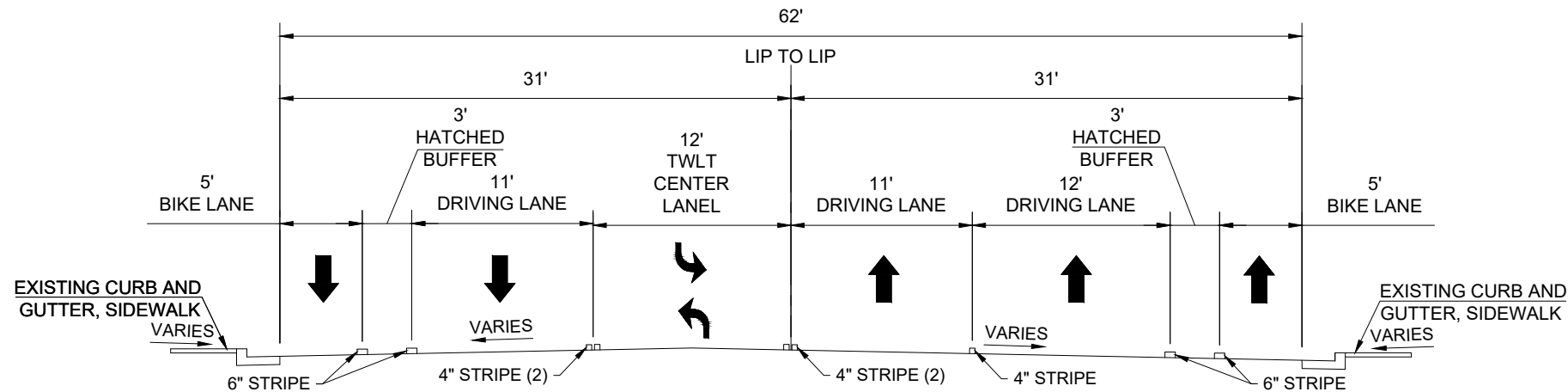
**Meeting adjourned at 5:40 PM**

**Next Meeting: August 9, 2021. 4:00 PM**





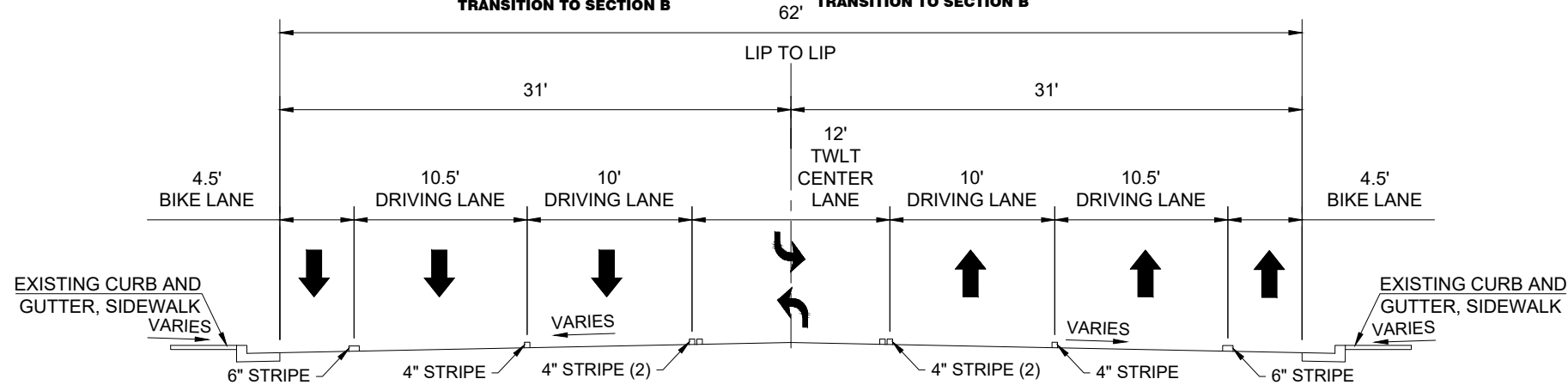
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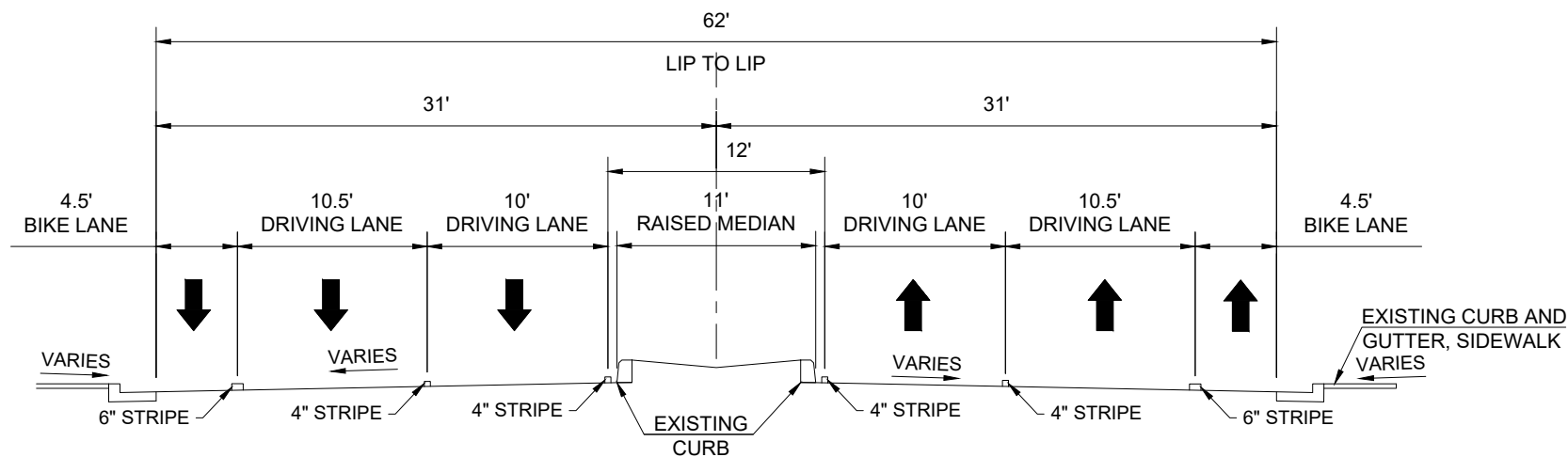
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 TRANSITION TO SECTION B

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 TRANSITION TO SECTION B



**B INDIAN SCHOOL ROAD:  
 STA 138+00 TO STA 167+00 (HARVARD DRIVE)**



**C INDIAN SCHOOL ROAD:  
 STA 167+00 (HARVARD DR) TO STA 215+00 (INDIAN PLAZA DR)**

**CONSTRUCTION NOTES**

1. DIMENSIONS ARE TO LIP OF GUTTER

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TITLE: **INDIAN SCHOOL ROAD RESTRIPING:  
 BROADWAY BLVD TO CARLISLE BLVD  
 PROPOSED TYPICAL SECTIONS**

Design Review Committee	City Engineer Approval	Mo./Day/Yr.	Mo./Day/Yr.

City Project No. **647114**      Zone Map No. **J14, J15, H15, H16**      Sheet No. **1-4**



# Bernalillo County GAATC Staff Report

July 12, 2021

## Bernalillo County Staff Update

1. El Camino Real Historic Trail – This trail project is seeking public input on this historic trail that has more than one major alignment through Bernalillo County (see map to right). More information and online public input: <https://www.camino-bernco.com/about>

**Thursday July 15, 2021 6:00-7:30 PM**

**La Esquinita, 507 4<sup>th</sup> St. SW**

**Wednesday July 21, 2021 6:00-7:30 PM**

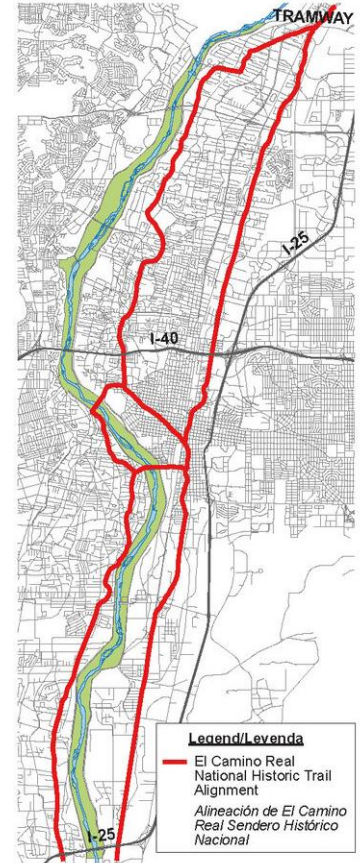
**Gutierrez-Hubble House, 6029 Isleta Blvd. SW**

**Tuesday July 27, 2021 6:00-7:30 PM**

**Bachechi Open Space, 9521 Rio Grande Blvd. NW**

2. Bernalillo County Project Updates:

- Bridge Blvd Phase I (from Coors Blvd along Tower Rd to west of Goff Rd): under construction
- Bridge Blvd Phase II (Young Ave to Atrisco Riverside Drain): near final design
- Sunport Blvd & Woodward Rd: Under construction
- El Camino Real NHT Study: See above for public input
- Barcelona Rd SW Isleta Drain to Isleta Blvd: Design near completion
- International District Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon at near Texas St.: Should be going to construction
- Paradise Hills Neighborhood Sidewalk ADA Compliance – Project being completed in phases
- Frost Rd Trail from Candy Ct. to Vallecitos Rd (upcoming construction)



3. New Project Information:

- Isleta Drain Master Plan (Central Ave to I-25): Funding approved, planning getting started
- Coors Blvd Pedestrian Roadway Safety Assessment (~Gun Club to Rio Bravo Blvd.): RSA funding approved, RSA process has not started yet