GRIFFITH PARK RESOURCE BOARD MEETING

Crystal Springs Drive & Griffith Park Drive Safety and Active Transportation Improvements Project



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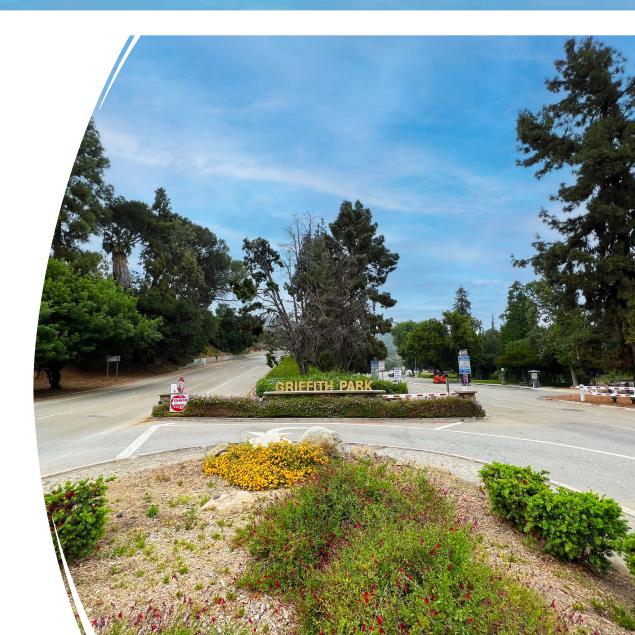






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- Project Goals
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- Countermeasure Toolbox
- Discussion



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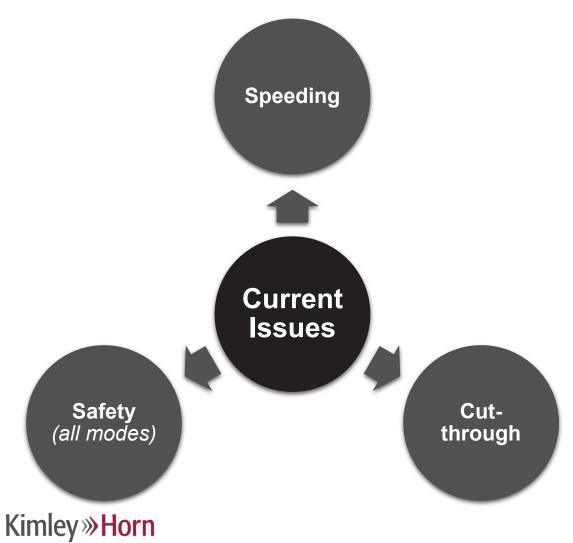








Current Issues









Project Goals

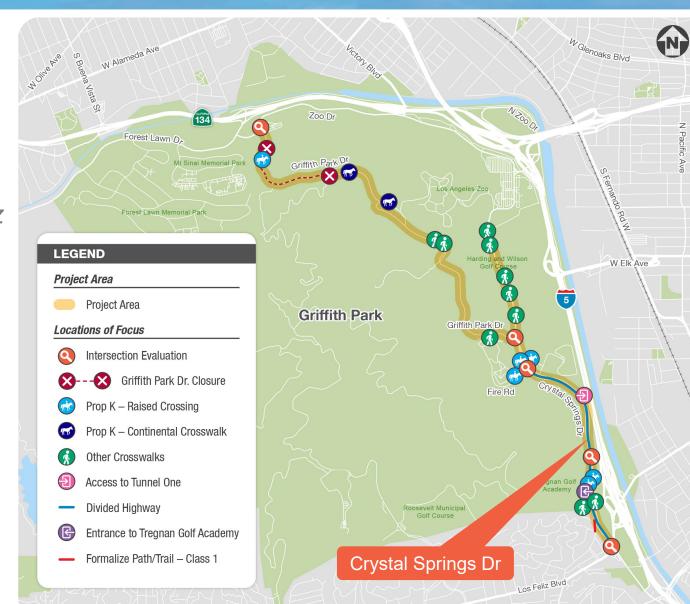
- 1. Reduce or eliminate cut-through traffic through Griffith Park
- 2. Traffic Calming
 - Reduce speeds to 25 mph
- 3. Upgrade active transportation
 - Bike and pedestrian facilities with physical separation

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Study Area

- Crystal Springs Drive
 - **2.2** miles
 - Jurisdictional Boundary to Los Feliz Blvd
 - 10 marked crosswalks
 - 25 mph posted speed limit
- Griffith Park Drive
 - 2.6 miles
 - Zoo Dr to Crystal Springs Dr
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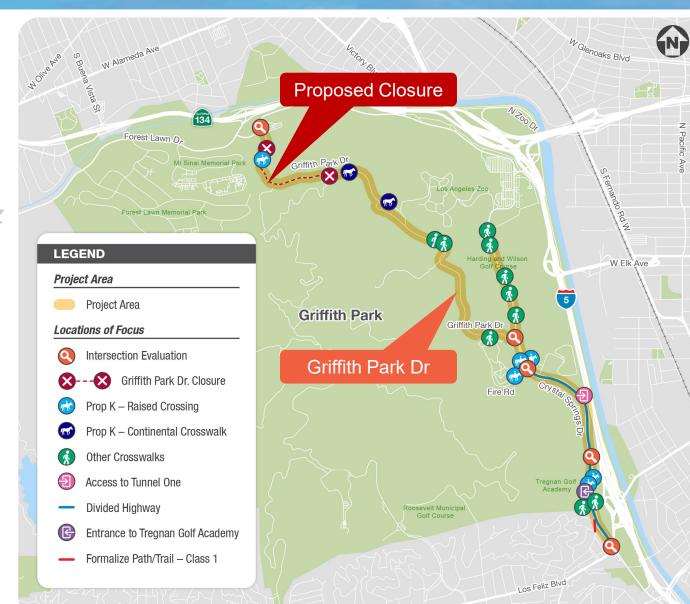


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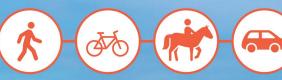


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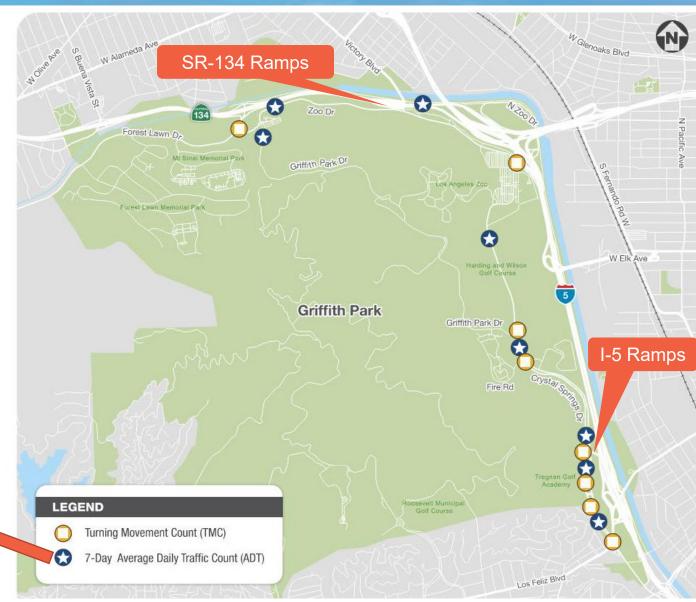
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Data Collection

- Intersections (8)
 - Peak hour volumes
- Roadway Segments (8)
 - Average daily traffic (one week)
- Speed Surveys





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Site Visit

Observe and document:

- Traffic characteristics
- Roadway measurements
- Existing traffic control devices (signs and markings)
- Geometric and utility constraints



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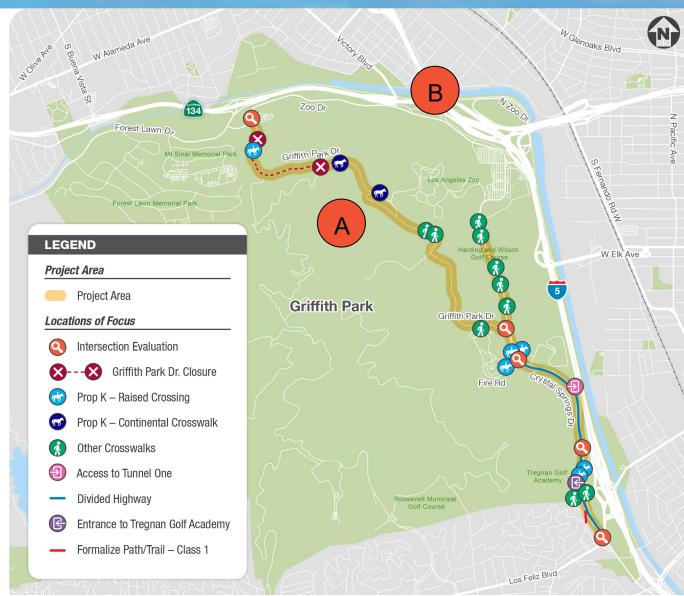
- Speeding
 - High frequency of drivers exceeding posted speed limit (25 mph)
 - Wide travel lanes
 - Conflict Areas
 - Griffith Park Drive Speeding drivers and bicyclists conflict with Compost Center vehicles



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- Cut-through Traffic
 - Primarily eastbound
 - Zoo Dr* → Griffith Park Dr →
 Crystal Springs Dr (A)
 - Zoo Dr* → Crystal Springs Dr (B)



^{*}outside project area

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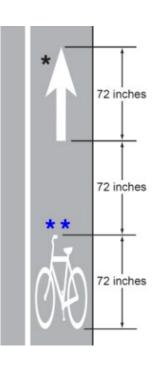








Figure 9C-9. Shared Lane Marking 112 inches 72 inches 40 inches -



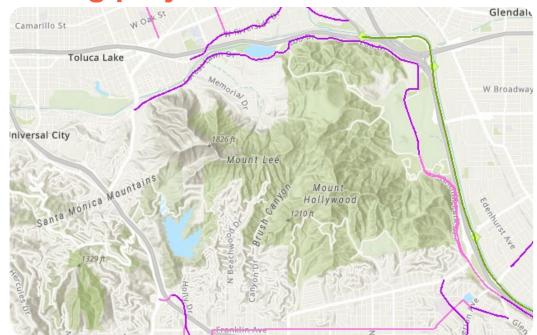








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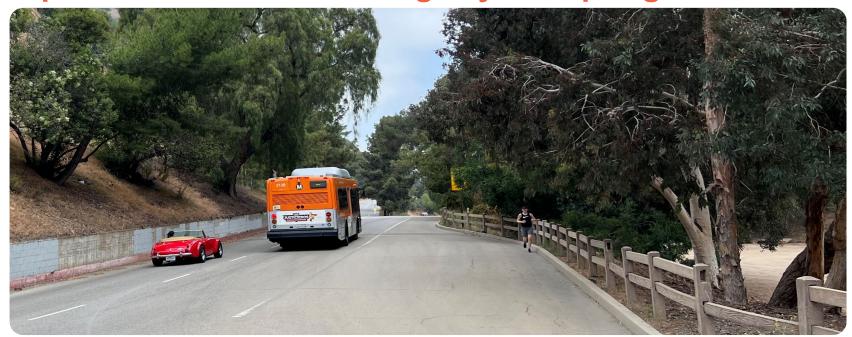








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- Parking Considerations
 - 90-degree parking stalls near Golf Course



- Greek Theater Operations
 - Off-Site Parking Needs
 - Shuttle bus use & route

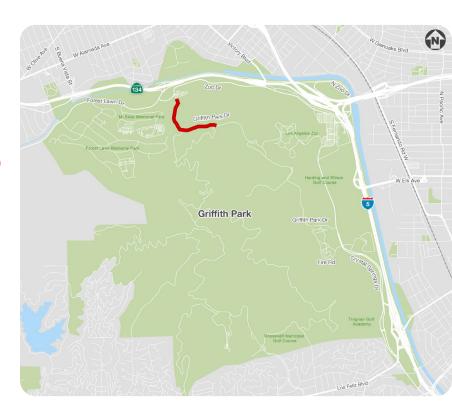


Countermeasures

- Short-Term (< 3 months)
 - Quick implementation (signing/striping)
- Mid-Term (3-12 months)
 - Requires stakeholder/multiple jurisdiction coordination, longer wait time on equipment
- Long-Term (> 12 months)
 - Requires extensive design, longer construction period, major roadway improvements



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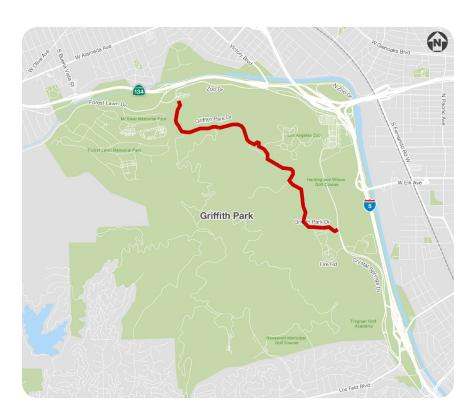
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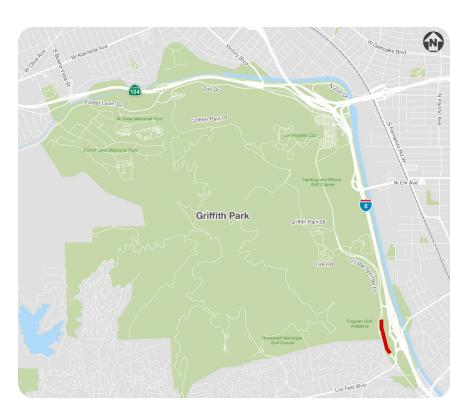


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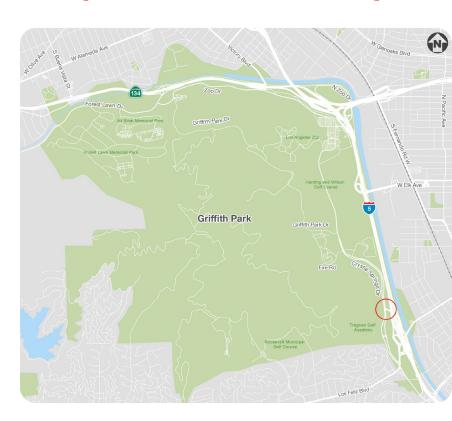


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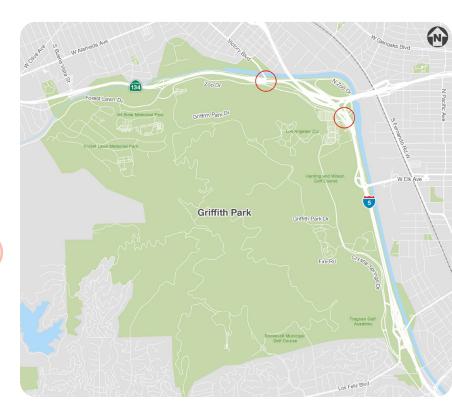


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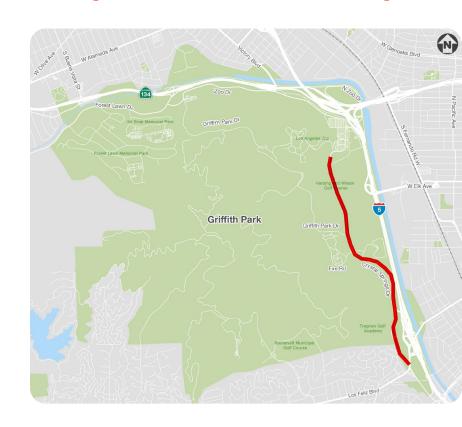


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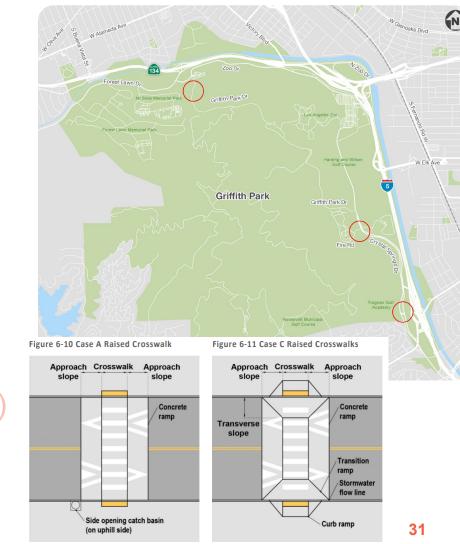


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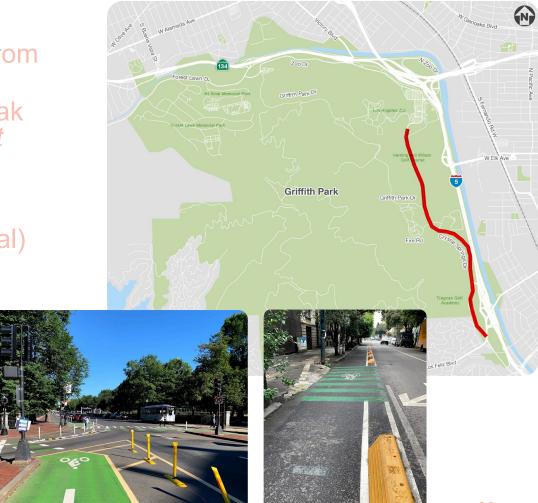


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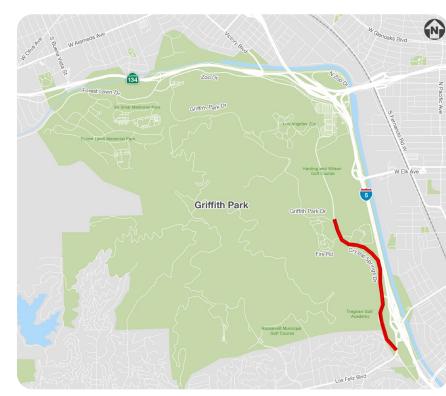


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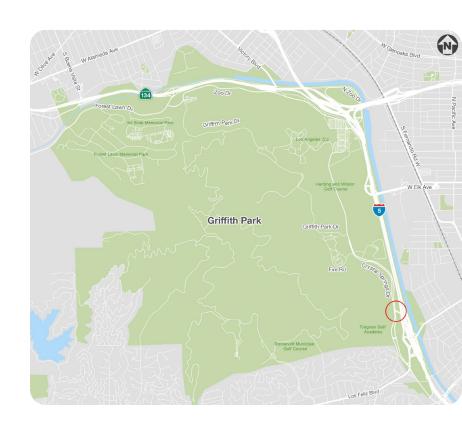


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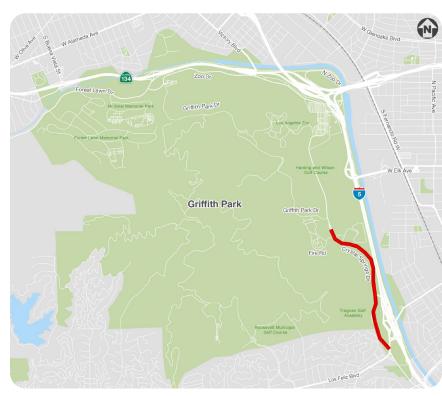


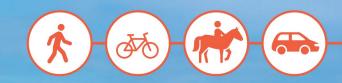
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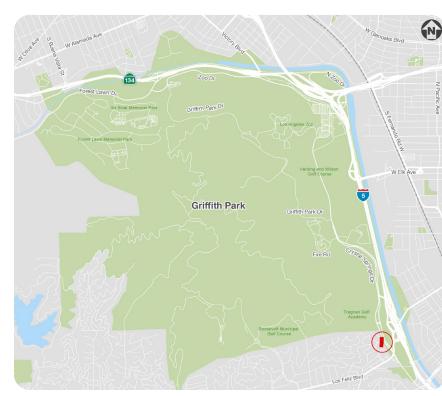


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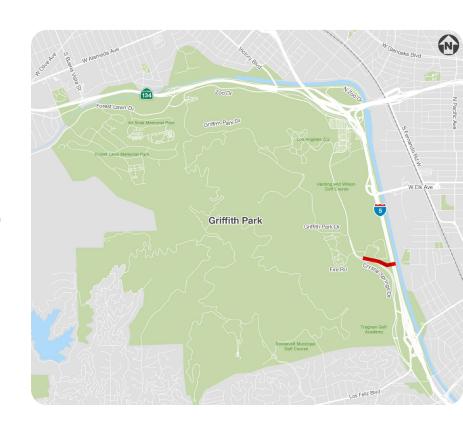


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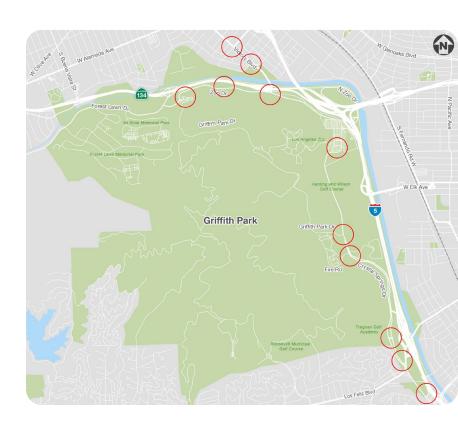


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- Which countermeasures will NOT work?
- What other issues need to be addressed?

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