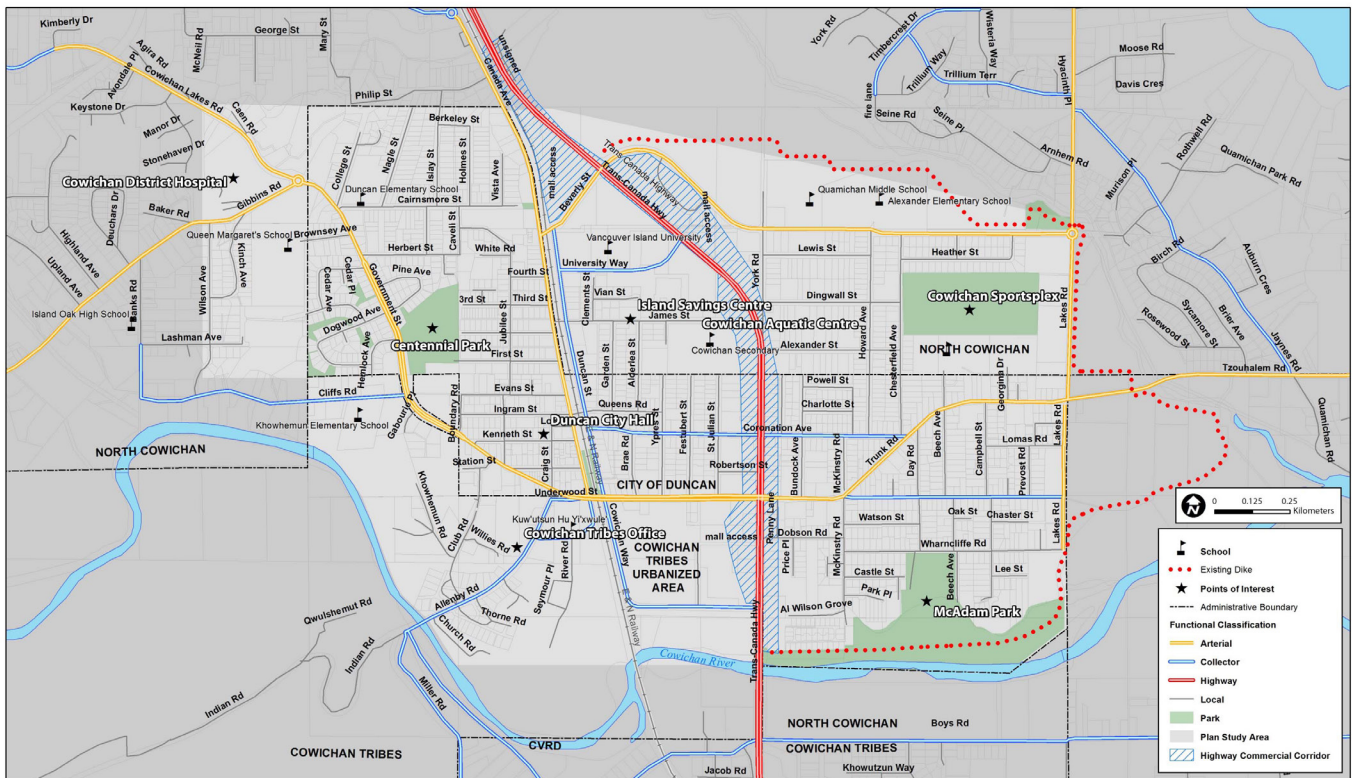


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ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

The Duncan Area Active Transportation Plan (ATP) is the result of a comprehensive planning effort between the City of Duncan, the Municipality of North Cowichan and Cowichan Tribes to promote walking, cycling, and any other self-propelled mode of transportation in the region. For more information and updates please visit www.duncan.ca.



The ATP focuses on the urbanized activity centres in Duncan, the Cowichan Tribes' Urbanized Area, and portions of North Cowichan's 'South End' growth centre.

WHAT ARE THE GOALS OF THE PLAN?

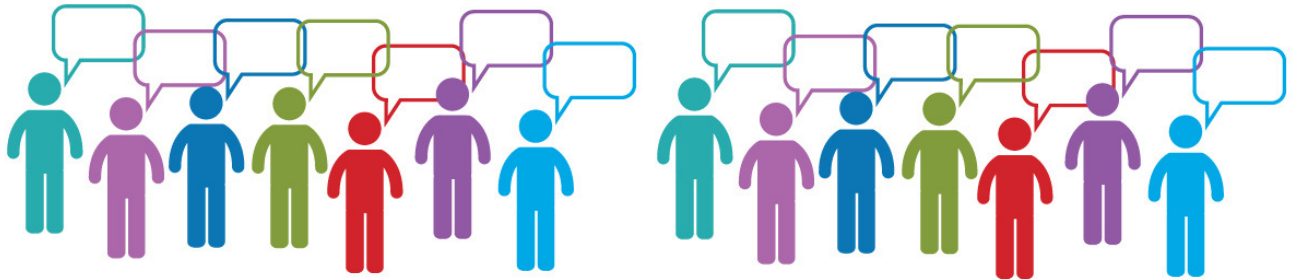
The overall vision of the ATP is to “provide safe, convenient, and comfortable active transportation facilities to promote the movement of people and goods; maximize transportation choice; promote liveability and sustainability; and minimize environmental impact.” Specific policy goals of Duncan, North Cowichan and the Cowichan Tribes are to:

1. Increase safety for cyclists and pedestrians;
2. Provide a suite of walking and bicycling facilities that allows people of all ages and abilities to use active transportation;
3. Increase the mode share of active transportation trips, in support of other planning efforts;
4. Develop an immediately implementable plan that identifies ready-to-move-forward projects;
5. Encourage and enhance cooperation and coordination between government agencies; and
6. Raise awareness of active transportation within the community to start a paradigm shift.



PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

The ATP is intended for the community of people living in and visiting the Cowichan Valley whose voices guided the development of this Plan and shaped the recommendations. The public involvement strategy for the ATP included an information booth and forum at the **Farmers Market**, a **online public survey**, and multiple **public meetings**. Results and analysis are provided under the User Needs and Infrastructure Assessment section of the plan.

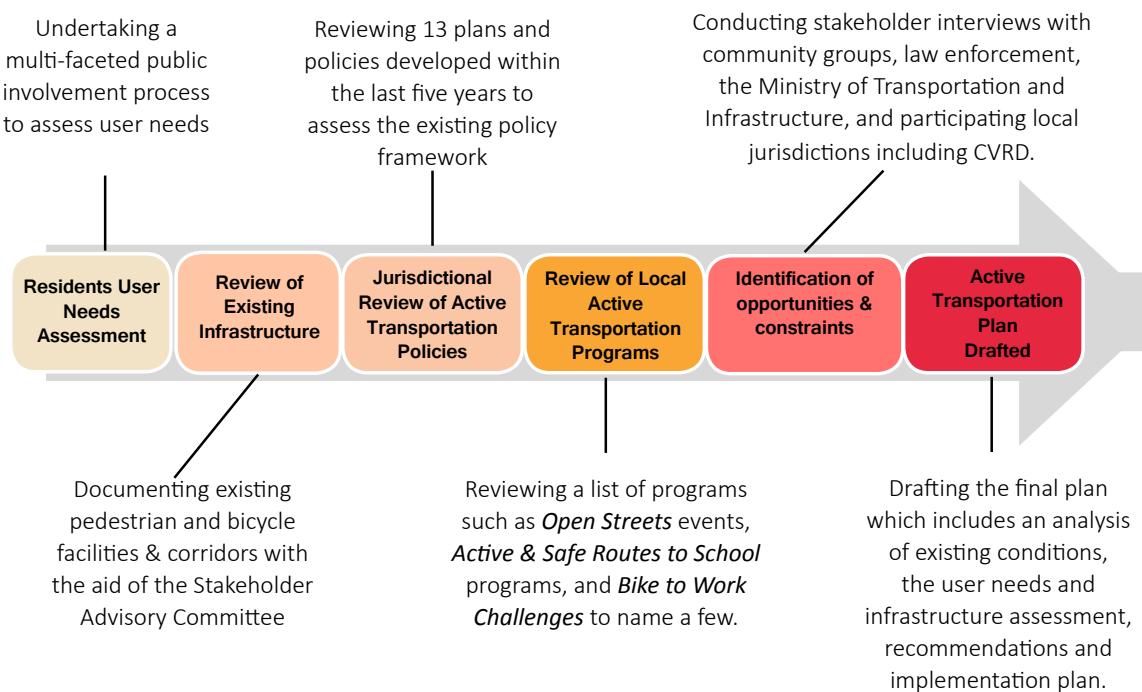


DEVELOPING

THE PLAN

OUR PROCESS

The process behind developing the Duncan Area Active Transportation Plan included:



RECOMMENDATIONS

OBJECTIVES: SAFETY, CONNECTIVITY & USER EXPERIENCE

1

WRITING NEW POLICIES

The ATP consists of recommended policies for review and adoption by each jurisdiction. The policies are based on a transportation hierarchy that gives priority to pedestrians and cyclists and the principles of “Complete Streets”. The term Complete Streets means the process of planning, designing, building, and operating streets so they routinely and safely accommodate all modes of local and regional travel. The following policy recommendations build on the many existing policies that are supportive of a transportation hierarchy. Recommended policies include:

TRANSPORTATION HIERARCHY



COMPLETE STREETS



END OF TRIP FACILITIES FOR BICYCLES



EMPHASIZING THE TRANSIT CONNECTION



2

CREATING NEW PROGRAMS

The ATP provides a list of potential programs that the partner jurisdictions or other agencies (such as the School District, seniors groups, or cycling groups) could implement to support the objectives of safety, connectivity and improved experience. The programs fall within the following broad categories of program types:

ENCOURAGEMENT & EDUCATION

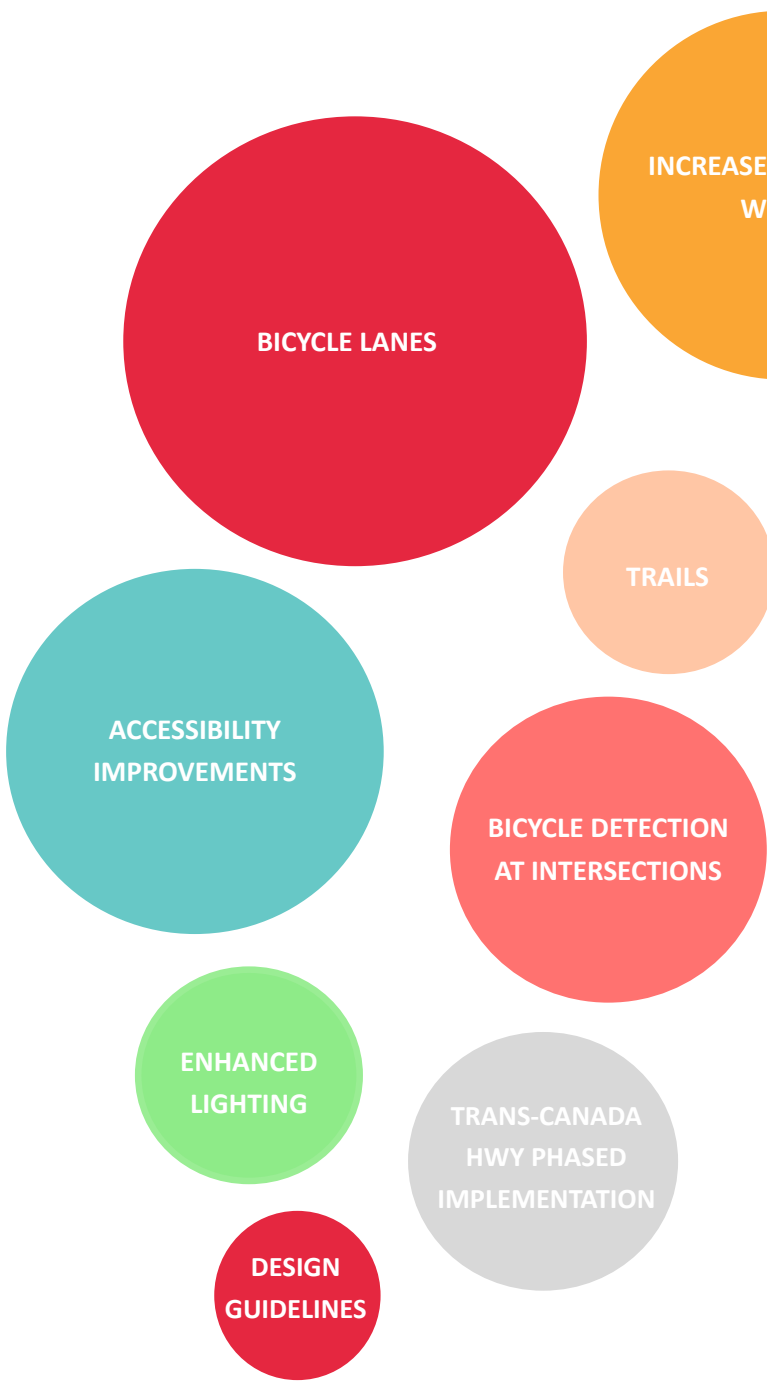
- ▶ Skills Training
- ▶ Outreach & Communication Safe Routes to School

EVALUATION/ INSTITUTIONAL

- ▶ Convening an Active Transportation Committee

ENFORCEMENT

- ▶ Strong Relationship with RCMP
- ▶ Speed & Crosswalk Enforcement



INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS

Finally, the ATP provides a recommended facility improvement plan to address short-term pedestrian and cycling network improvements and identifies potential funding sources. The recommended initial network improvements are prioritized on the basis of providing:

- Safety Improvements
- Active & Safe Routes to School
- Access to Community Destinations
- Suitable Roadways Types
- Local/Regional Connectivity
- Community Support
- Ease of Implementation

Recommendations for area-wide network improvements are non-location-specific improvements that would improve conditions for bicycling and walking throughout the city. The list of improvements are listed within the bubble graphics.

MORE INFO?

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