



# Capitola Active Transportation Plan Technical Consultant

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City Council

March 12, 2026

# Capitola ATP Technical Consultant

## ATP Background



### Capitola Active Transportation Plan (ATP)

- First comprehensive **citywide plan** for walking, biking, and multimodal travel

- Funded through **Caltrans**

### Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant

- Plan will guide:
  - future capital projects
  - grant applications
  - long-term mobility planning



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## ATP Project Purpose



- Improve safety for pedestrians and bikes
- Assess existing conditions and identify barriers
- Recommend infrastructure and programmatic solutions
- Focus areas
  - Safety
  - Equity & accessibility (seniors, youth, people with disabilities)
  - Climate resilience
  - Consistency with local, regional, and state policies



# Capitola ATP Technical Consultant Project Partners



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**City of Capitola** – Lead agency, Project management and coordination, responsible for Caltrans compliance

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**Ecology Action** – Co-applicant, Community outreach and engagement, project webpage and public events

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**Fehr & Peers**

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**Fehr & Peers** (Proposed Technical Consultant) –

Technical analysis, data collection, network planning, conceptual designs, cost estimates

# Capitola ATP Technical Consultant Consultant Selection



## Process

- Competitive RFP process
- Staff and partner review and interviews
- **Staff recommendation: Fehr & Peers**

## Fehr & Peers

- Strong understanding of Capitola's mobility needs
- Experience developing implementable ATPs
- Balanced technical analysis and community-informed planning

## Scope of Work

- Inventory and mapping of existing facilities
- Analysis of safety conditions, crash patterns, and connectivity gaps
- Evaluation of roadway comfort
- Development of a connected network
- Project Prioritization

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## ATP Community Engagement



### City Council Ad-Hoc

- Vice Mayor Jenson
- Council Member Clarke

### Refined Engagement Strategy

- Ad Hoc identified key communities
- Focus groups with residents most affected by transportation barriers
- Partnerships with trusted community organizations



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## ATP Community Engagement

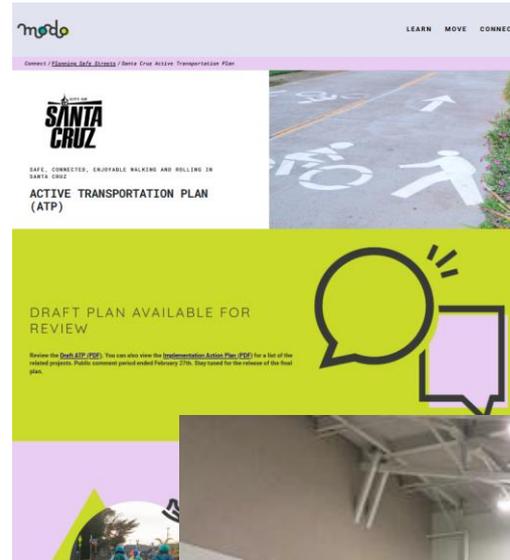


### Outreach Goal

- Ensure broad participation and integrate community input into project recommendations

### Planned Engagement

- Project website and interactive online map
- 5–6 community pop-up events
- 6 focus groups
- Two public meetings
- Technical Advisory Committee meetings



# Capitola ATP Technical Consultant Project Schedule



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## Existing Conditions & Needs Identification Spring–Summer 2026

- Inventory of existing bike and pedestrian facilities
  - Safety and crash data analysis
  - Initial community outreach and engagement

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## Draft Network & Prioritization 2027

- Development of draft active transportation network
- Identification of key projects and improvements
- Project prioritization framework

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## Draft Plan & Adoption Late 2027 – Early 2028

- Draft Active Transportation Plan released for review
- Public input and refinement
- City Council consideration and adoption

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## Fiscal Impact



- **Consultant Contract: \$145,000**
  - **Fully funded by Caltrans Grant**
- Total Project Budget: \$510,000
  - \$450,000 Caltrans grant
    - \$305,000 Ecology Action
    - \$145,000 F&P
  - \$60,000 City staff time (in-kind)



# Capitola ATP Technical Consultant Recommended Action



Authorize the City Manager to execute a professional services agreement with Fehr & Peers in an amount not to exceed \$145,000 to provide technical consultant services for development of the Capitola Active Transportation Plan (ATP).