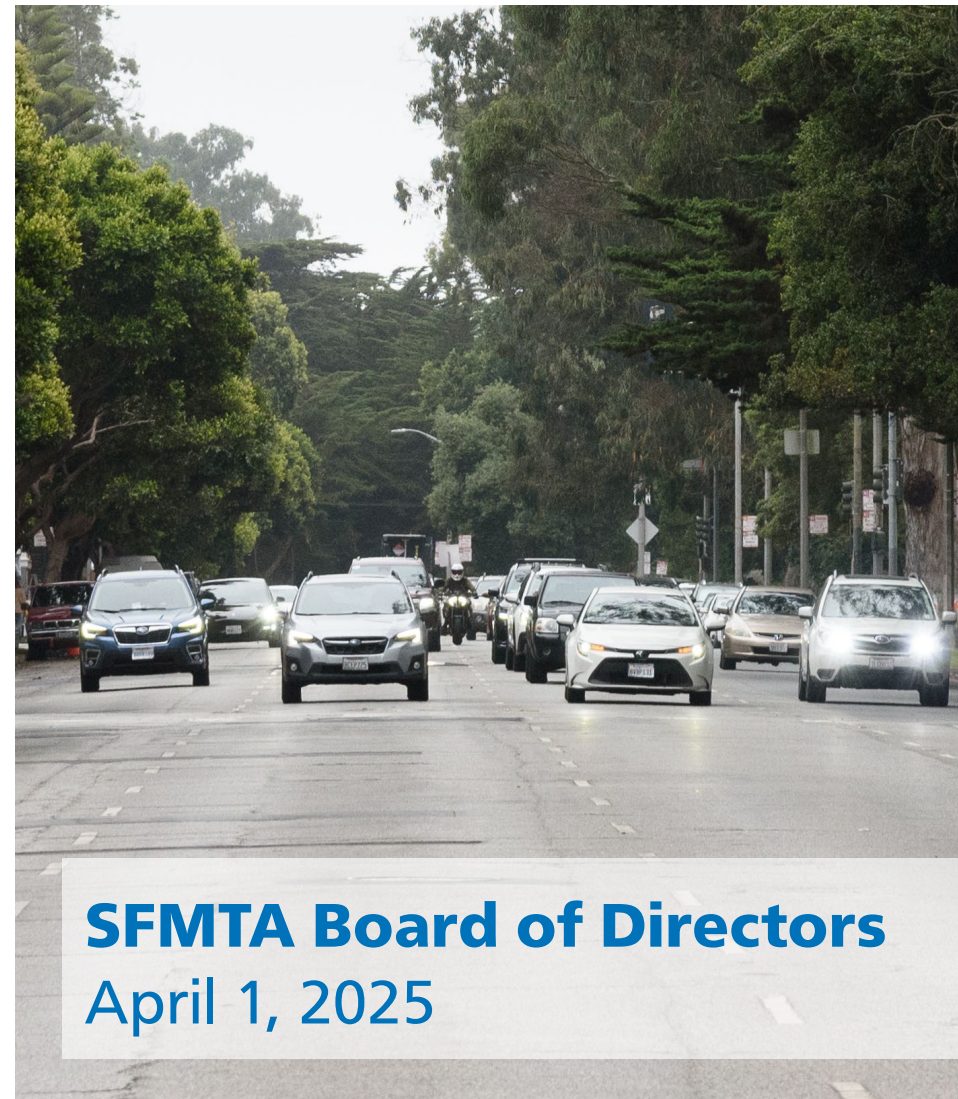




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Oak Street Quick-Build Project



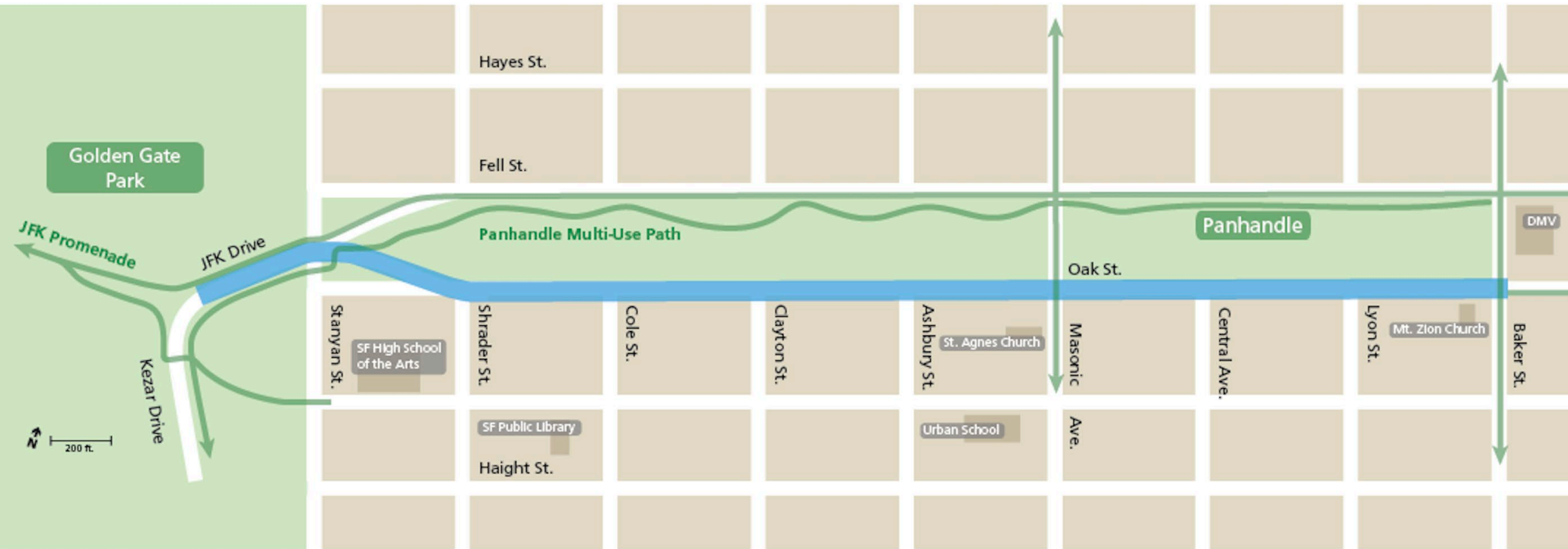
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🔍 Project goals

- **Improve safety for people walking and biking** to the Panhandle, Golden Gate Park, and the Wiggle
- **Create a new on-street separated bikeway** along Oak Street, easing crowding on the Panhandle path
- **Better connect the JFK Drive Promenade** with intersection modifications at Kezar Drive and Stanyan Street
- **Encourage safer speeds with traffic flow**, reducing severe-injury collisions on this Vision Zero High-Injury Network corridor



Overview map



Oak Street between Cole and Baker is on the Vision Zero High-Injury Network – the 12% of streets that account for 68% of severe and fatal traffic collisions

Success on Fell St

- **38% drop** in total collisions on Fell Street after the quick-build
- **50% drop** in pedestrian crashes; **zero** fatal collisions
- **2% increase on Oak Street** (control), with pedestrian collisions nearly **doubled**
- Strong **potential** for collision reduction on Oak Street



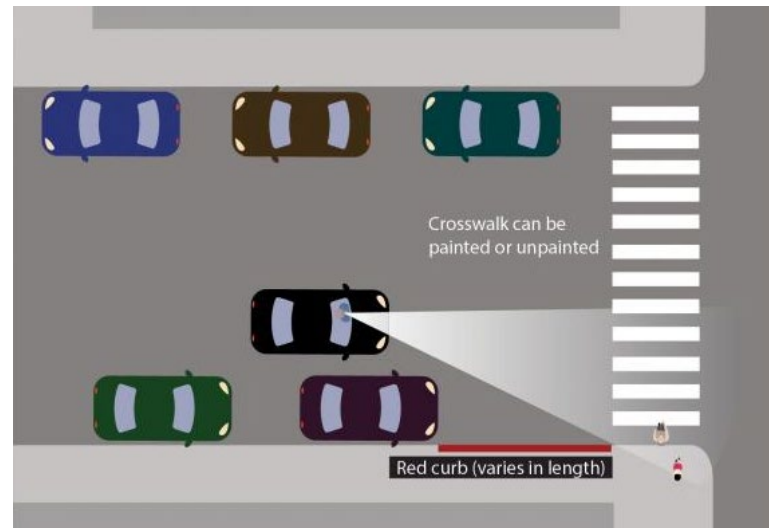
Typical cross-section





Pedestrian improvements

- **A reduction in vehicle travel lanes** would make it easier and safer for people to walk to the Panhandle park
- The project would add **painted safety zones and concrete islands** in new daylighting spaces required per State law (AB 413)



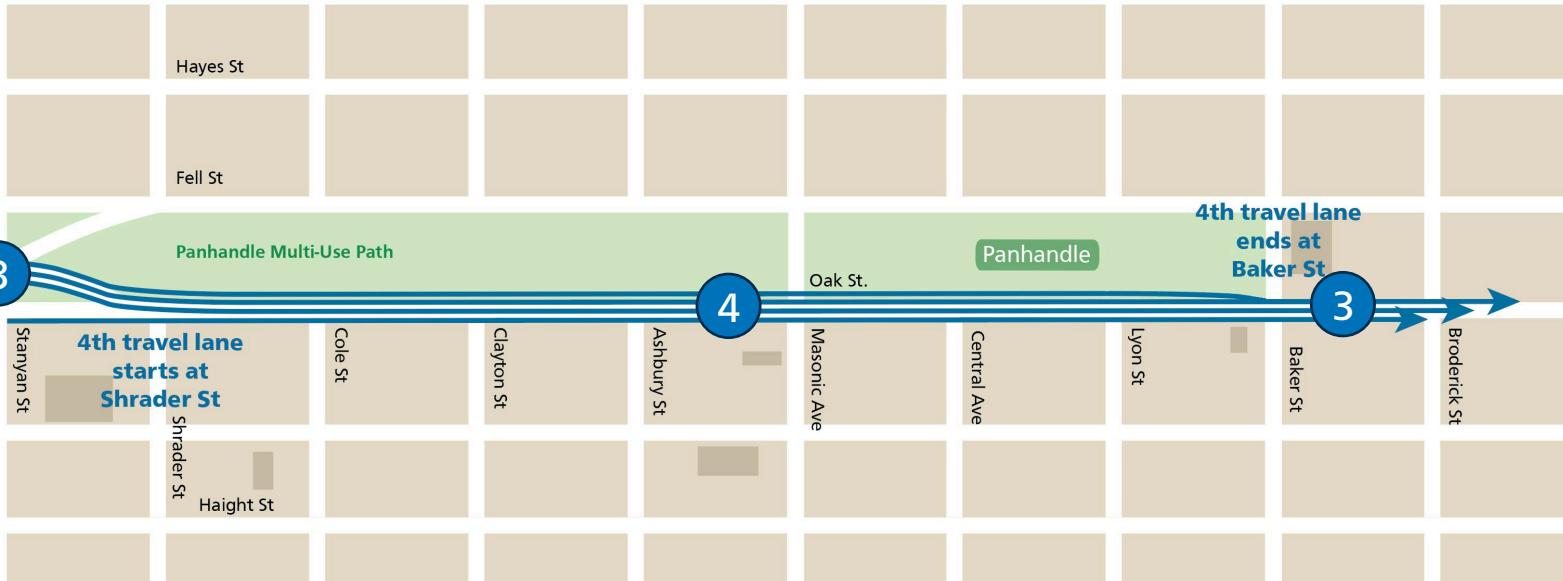
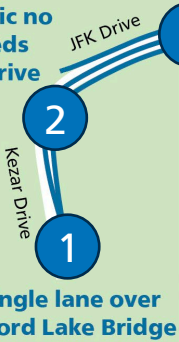


Travel lane overview

Existing

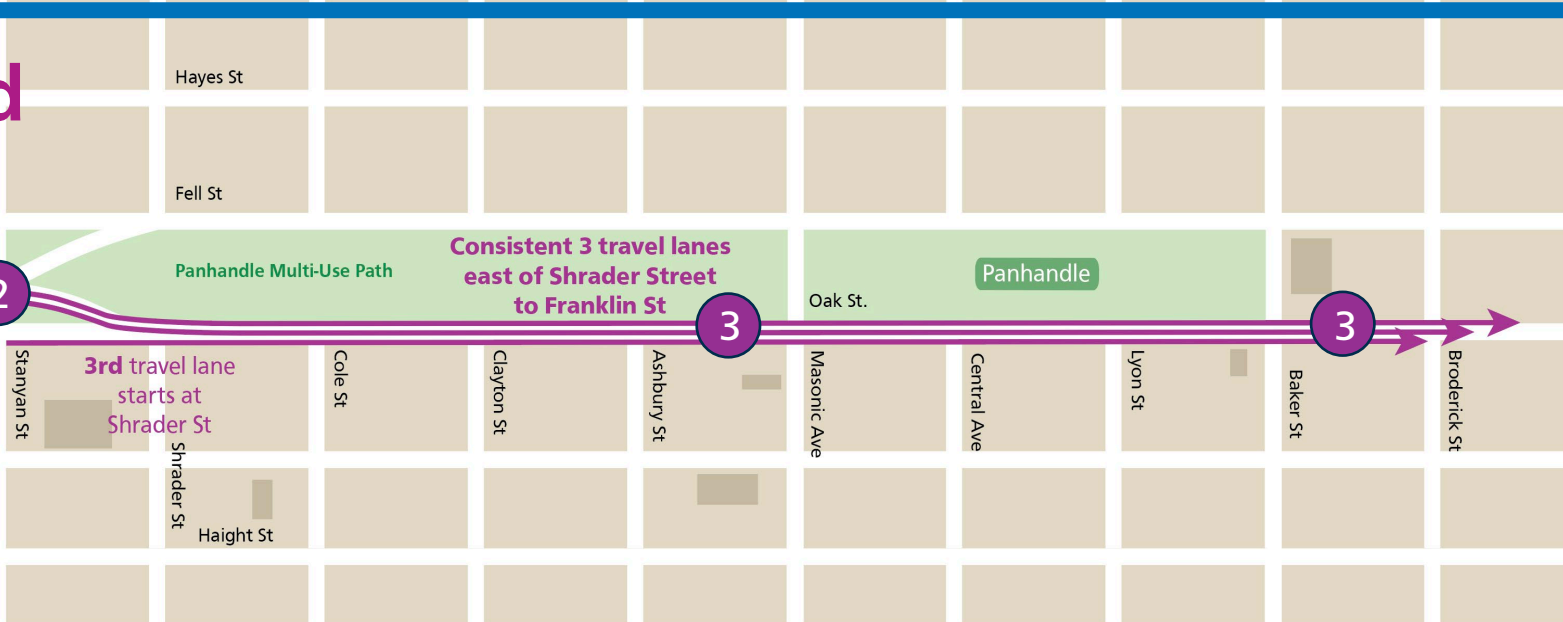
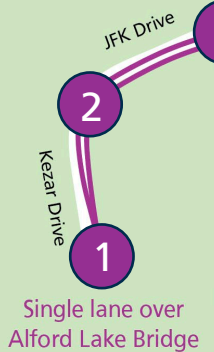
Golden Gate Park

Vehicle traffic no longer feeds from JFK Drive



Proposed

Golden Gate Park

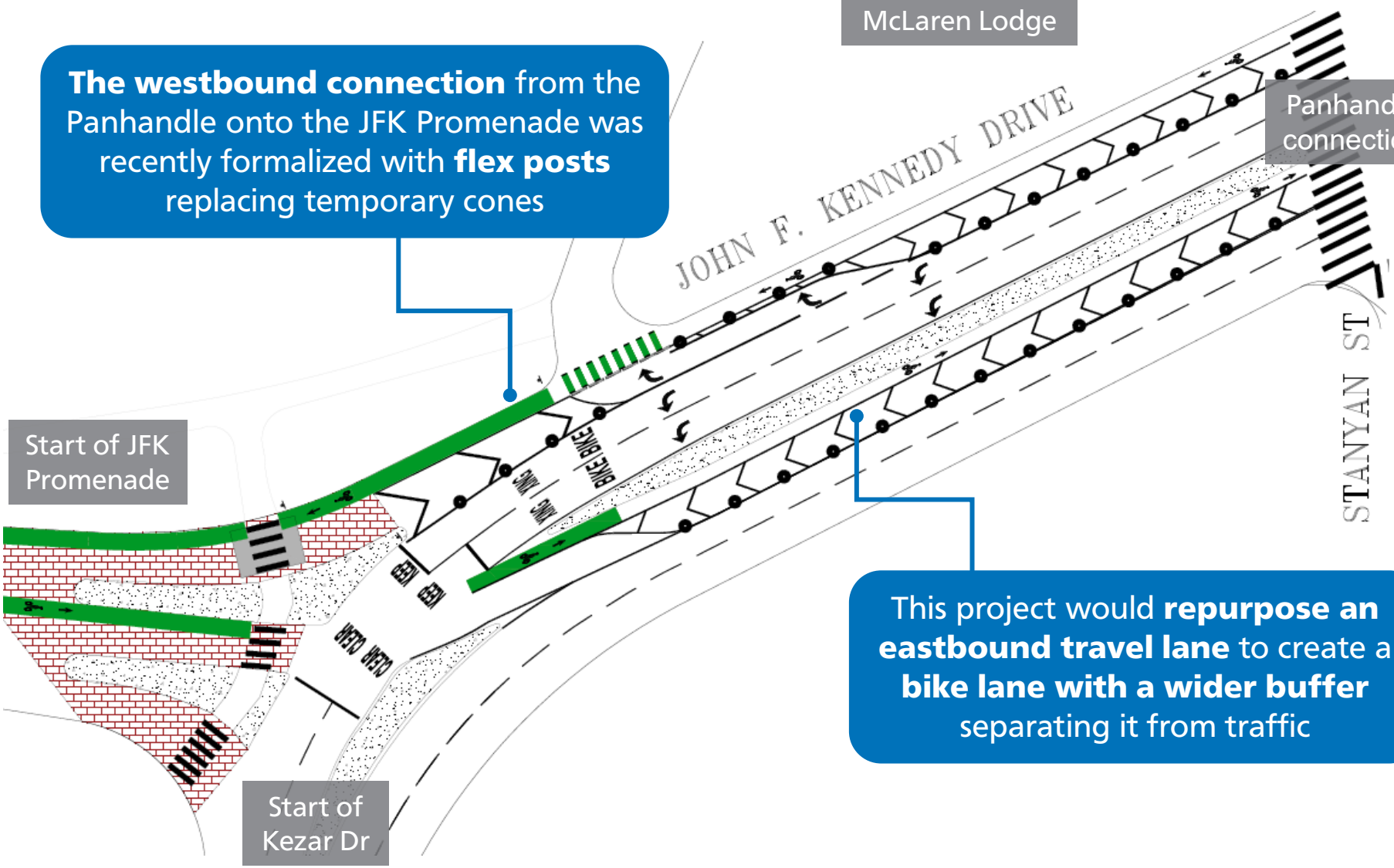


Oak/Fell/JFK and Stanyan

McLaren Lodge

The westbound connection from the Panhandle onto the JFK Promenade was recently formalized with **flex posts** replacing temporary cones

Panhandle connection

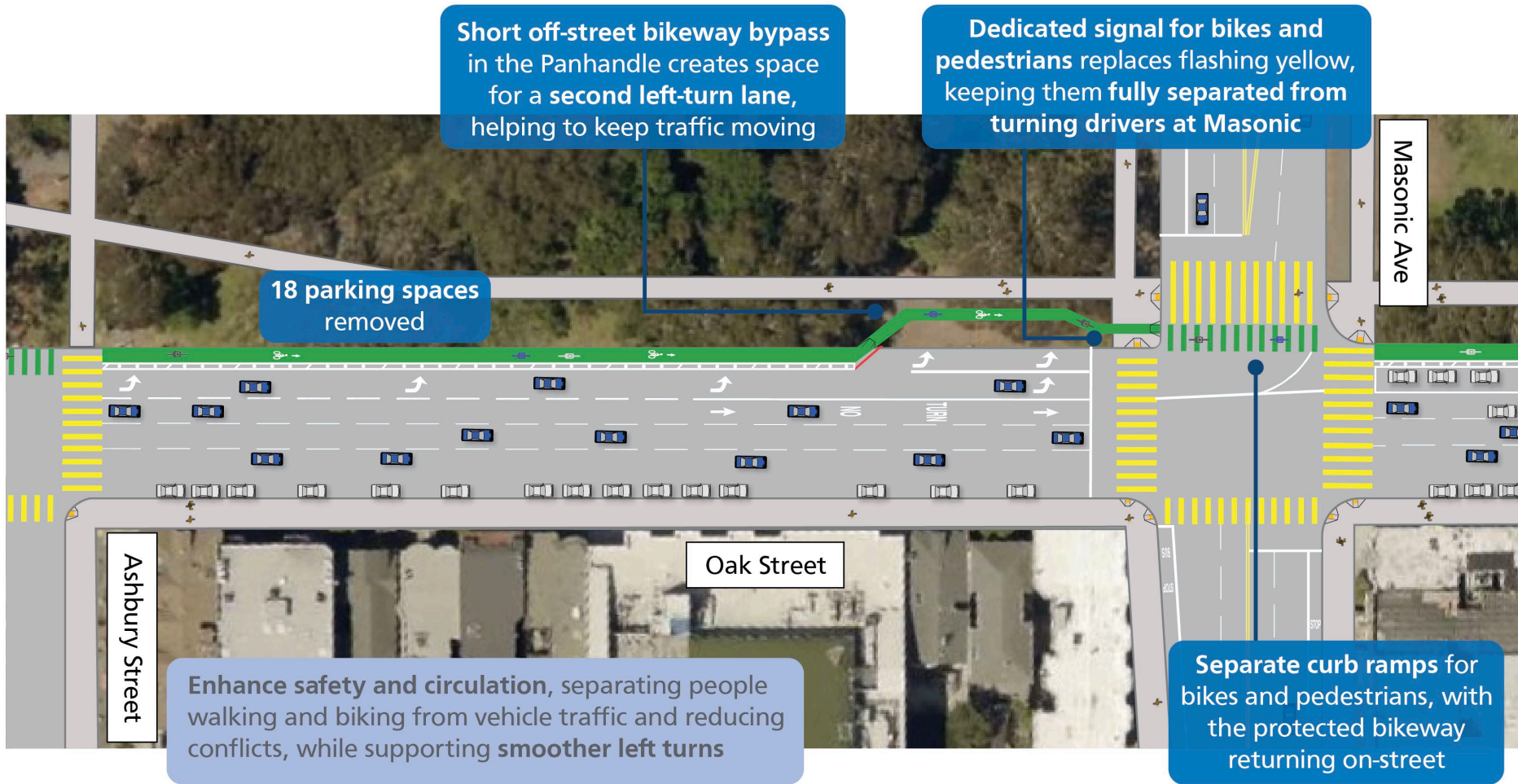


Start of JFK Promenade

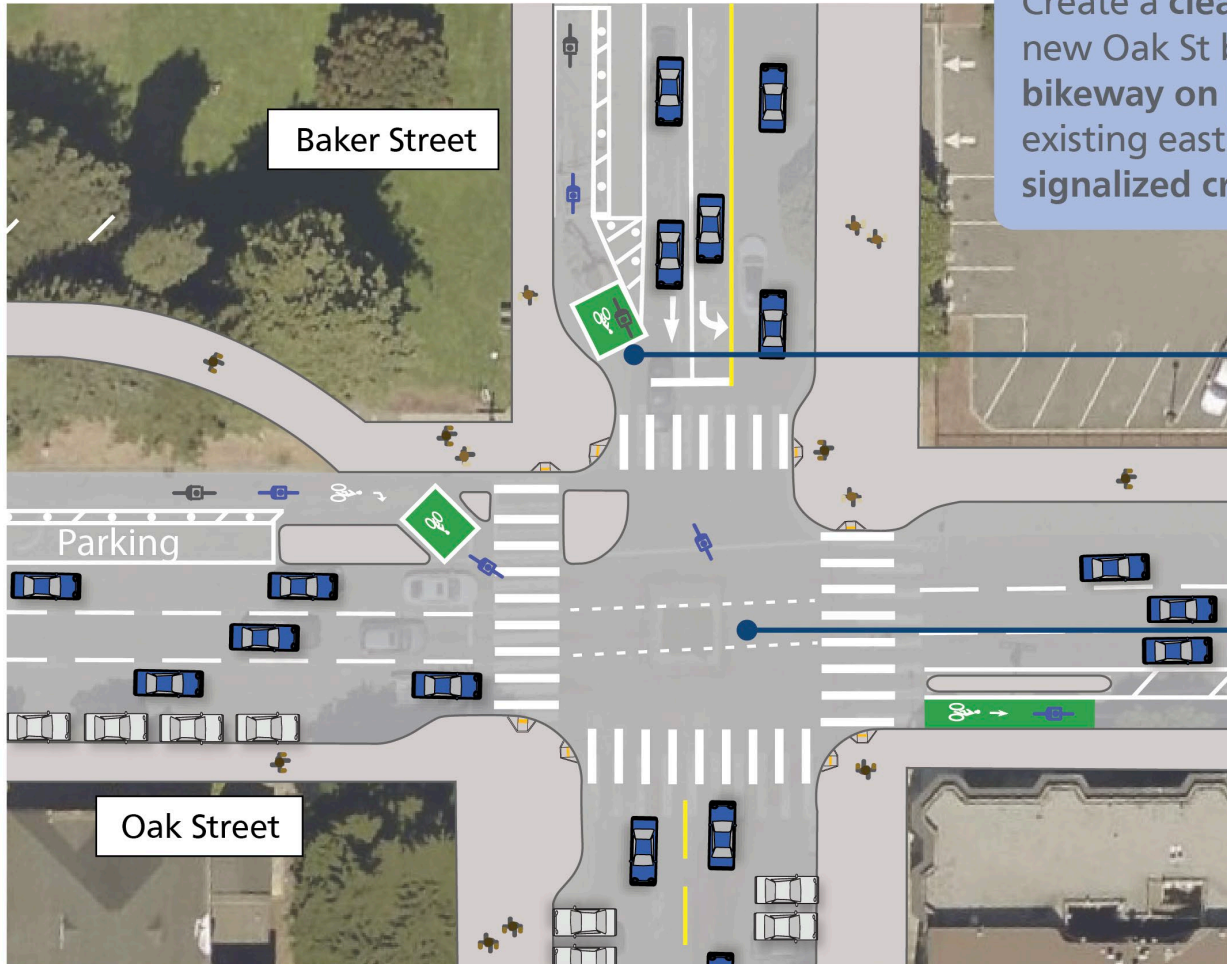
Start of Kezar Dr

This project would **repurpose an eastbound travel lane** to create a **bike lane with a wider buffer** separating it from traffic

Oak & Masonic



Oak & Baker



Create a clear, safe connection between the new Oak St bikeway, a proposed **southbound bikeway on Baker St** starting at Fell St, and the existing eastbound bikeway through a **dedicated, signaled crossing** free of vehicle traffic.

Southbound separated bikeway on Baker St from Panhandle path

Signal-separated bike crossing for riders on southbound Baker St and eastbound Oak St

Parking

- **The project would maintain 94% of legal parking spaces on Oak and intersecting streets (410 spaces).**
 - **18 spaces** removed on Oak's **Ashbury-Masonic block** to provide two left-turn lanes for turns onto Masonic
 - **5 spaces** removed on Baker's **Fell-Oak block** for a new curbside protected bikeway connecting the Panhandle Path with the Oak bikeway
- Also, **26 spaces**, now illegal under the new State daylighting law (AB 413), would be removed for pedestrian visibility.



Outreach phases

1. Informed stakeholders about the project, capturing **early insights** to guide outreach and design

2. Engaged with stakeholders and broader public to gather **in-depth feedback** on the draft design

3. Presented the final design, showing how **community input** shaped revisions



Key feedback

- **Strong public enthusiasm for parallel route for faster users** along the Panhandle corridor and **a bikeway well-connected** into the broader active-transportation network
- **Support for bikeways with physical separation** from motor vehicles and improved wayfinding at key intersections
- **Broad interest in enhancing pedestrian safety** with features like visibility improvements and reduced speeding on Oak St
- **Concerns for parking loss at Masonic and for daylighting** from nearby institutions
- **Concerns for congestion**, especially at major intersections

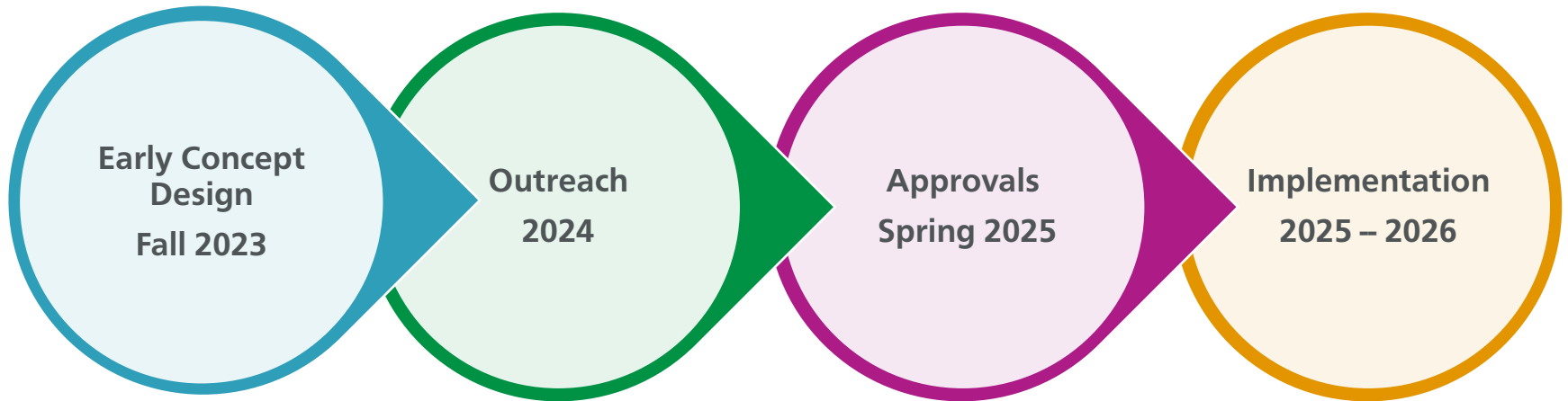


Alternatives considered

- Keeping the bikeway on-street between Ashbury and Masonic with a single left-turn lane
- Prohibiting walking on the northern Panhandle path
- Options to **reduce parking impacts**, including:
 - Building an off-street bike bypass in the Panhandle for the full Ashbury-Masonic block
 - Adding parking on side streets
 - Metering spaces along the Panhandle



Timeline



- Coordination with Rec & Park team
- Coordination with SFPUC + Public Works projects

- Three phases of outreach: introduction, design details, final proposal

- **2025:** Modify Oak & Masonic signal; build off-street bikeway
- **2026:** Following Public Works' repaving of Oak, build traffic islands and open bikeway



Phased implementation

Coordinating with Public Works repaving of Oak Street *(Stanyan Street to Van Ness Avenue)*

- **Summer - late 2025:**
 - Modify Oak and Masonic signal to separate eastbound left turn from north crosswalk
 - Install daylighting
 - Build off-street bikeway in the Panhandle
- **Spring - summer 2026:**
 - Public Works repaves Oak Street
 - Install concrete islands
 - Stripe and open Oak Street bikeway

Thank you!

