

Actions by City Departments that Contribute to Attainment of the City's CAP goals

Engineering accomplishments

- Design new streets to reduce traffic speed, and promote walking and bicycling (ongoing)
- Bike lane stripping projects
- Synchronize traffic signals along arterial roads
- Currently designing G Street and 16th street [traffic signal synchronization?]

Parks and Recreation accomplishments

- Replace retired vehicles with more fuel-efficient or alternative fuel vehicles
- Capture and use methane produced by anaerobic processes at the wastewater treatment plant
- Installed occupancy sensors in City buildings

Public Works accomplishments

- Charge most water bills based on volume used
- Convert City street lights to LED or LED-solar systems

Planning accomplishments

- General Plan based on concept of the urban village, including transit-oriented development characteristics
- General Plan supports mixed-use development
- The current effort to update the City's zoning code includes bicycle parking requirements, reflective of the standard now imposed by the Green Building Code.
- Expanding Merced's bicycle infrastructure (ongoing)
- Adoption of 2013 Bicycle Transportation Plan in Fall 2013, including 68 miles of new bikeways. Since 2004, approximately 8 miles of bike lanes, and five miles of bike paths have been added to the network.
- The City's Bicycle Advisory Commission has stepped up to promote Bike-to-Work day
- Draft Bellevue Community Plan including a balanced transportation network and a variety of uses in a growth area west of UC Merced, located north and south of Bellevue Road;

Non-City agency accomplishments

- Commute Connections program started many years ago. As of Dec. 2013, 352 registered commuters and 5 vanpools.
- Maintenance of bus shelters
- Prioritize alternative fuels and rideshare in funding plans. Some CMAQ funding is used for ridesharing promotion ("Commute Connections") and for diesel retrofits (clean diesel)

Other accomplishments

- Transit expanded to Sunday and Evening service as of July 1, 2013.