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WORK BEGINS ON KEY BIKEWAY LINKING CITY HEIGHTS, MID-CITY, AND MISSION VALLEY

Officials broke ground today on a key bikeway project in San Diego that will create a protected bike lane parallel to State Route 15, establishing safe and convenient connections between the communities of Mid-City, City Heights, and Mission Valley.

Current bike routes connecting the communities oblige riders to cope with high-speed traffic and long, difficult hills.

"I'm happy to see this project moving forward," said SANDAG Chair and County Board of Supervisors Chair Ron Roberts. "Commuters in this area deserve a safe, direct path between Mission Valley and City Heights. Up until now, City Heights and Mission Valley have practically been islands with no easy bicycle access between them."

The SR 15 Bikeway Project will create lanes that are separated from vehicle traffic by concrete barriers. It will extend from Adams Avenue along a one-mile segment of northbound SR 15 to Camino Del Rio South. The 12-foot wide, two-way bike path will feature lighting and locations for passing/resting.

"It is an exciting day for the Mid-City and the biking communities," said Caltrans District 11 Director Laurie Berman. "Accommodating active modes of transportation is part of the Caltrans mission to provide a safe, sustainable, integrated and efficient transportation system."

Tuesday's event – held at Ward Canyon Neighborhood Park on Adams Avenue – was attended by San Diego City Council members Marti Emerald and Todd Gloria, as well as Caltrans District 11 Director Laurie Berman. They were joined by numerous members of the surrounding communities, as well as bike enthusiasts.

For more information on the SR 15 Bikeway Project, see the [SR 15 Commuter Bikeway Fact Sheet](#).

NOTE: For a large visual of the proposed bikeway, download it here:
<https://app.box.com/s/c8tlyr049a324vt9nhfroeqlicx1bwh6>

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