

To: CRCOG Transportation Committee
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Subject: CTDOT Complete Streets Design Criteria

On September 1, 2023 three new CTDOT controlling design criteria, collectively known as the Complete Streets controlling design criteria, went into effect for CTDOT projects with the goal of ensuring that bicycle, pedestrian, and transit facilities will be included in the planning and design of CTDOT transportation projects.

CTDOT has indicated to CRCOG that the Complete Streets controlling design criteria will **not** apply to Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program (LOTICIP) or Transportation Alternatives (TA) Set-Aside funded projects.

For projects where these criteria apply, Figures 1 and 2 demonstrate CRCOG's understanding of the minimum requirements for bicycle, pedestrian, and transit facilities. Design exception approvals from CTDOT's Chief Engineer will be required for any projects to advance that do not meet these requirements.

In general*, each criterion applies to the following areas:

- **Pedestrian Facilities** must be included in urbanized areas, urban clusters, rural town centers, or pedestrian safety zones where pedestrians are legally allowed.
- **Bicycle Facilities** must be included on all roadways except those functionally classified as local.
- **Transit Facilities** must be included for projects in areas of transit stops. Projects within a quarter mile from local fixed-route service or 2.5 miles from commuter bus fixed-route service stops must be coordinated with the Bureau of Public Transportation's Offices of Transit and Ridesharing and Rails.

*For more detailed information the directive can be accessed at:
[https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/DOT/documents/AEC/ECD-2023-8 Complete Streets Controlling Design Criteria final sah.pdf](https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/DOT/documents/AEC/ECD-2023-8%20Complete%20Streets%20Controlling%20Design%20Criteria%20final%20sah.pdf)

Figure 1: Minimum Pedestrian Requirements, Minimum Bicycle Requirements

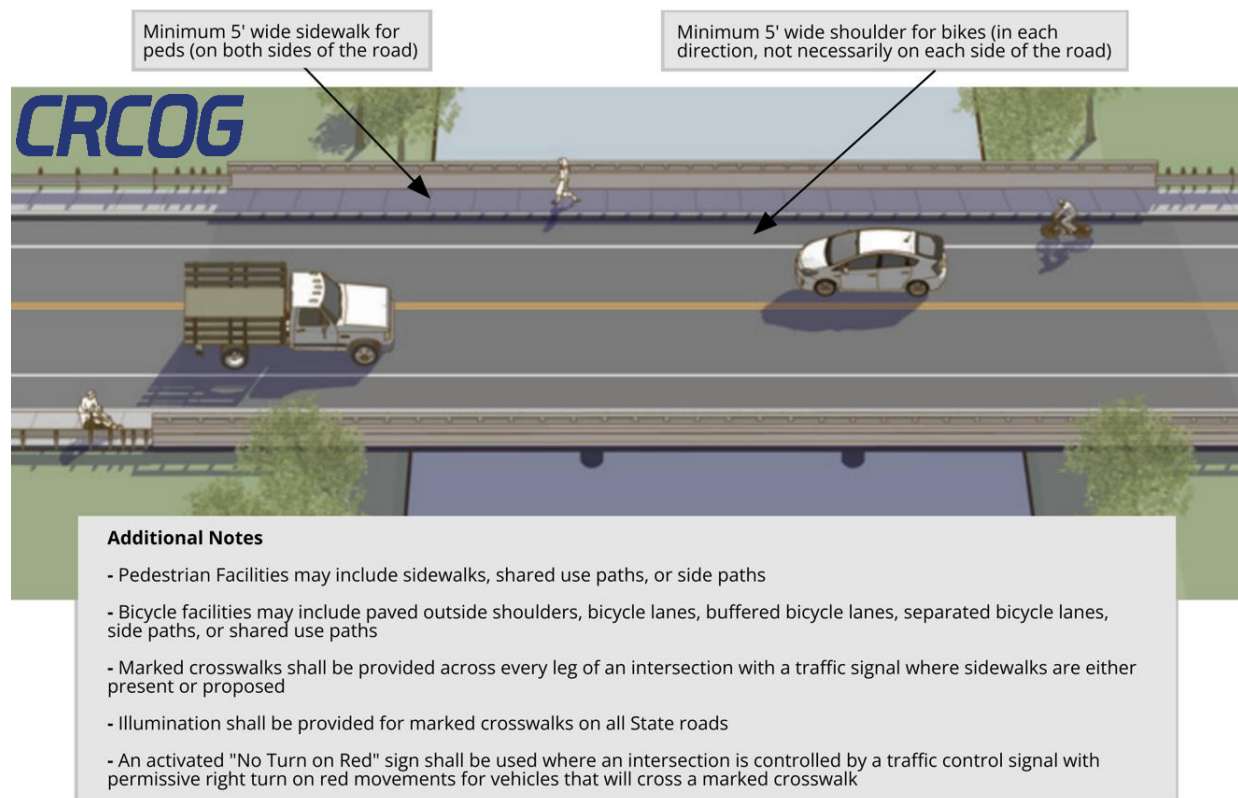


Figure 2: Minimum Bicycle Requirements for High Speed/Volume Roads, Minimum Transit Requirements

