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BCD REGIONAL PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE PLAN PUBLIC INPUT LAUNCHED

The Berkeley-Charleston-Dorchester Council of Governments (BCDCOG) announces its launch of a ten month planning process for the **WALK BIKE BCD** regional pedestrian and bicycle master plan. The visionary and comprehensive **WALK BIKE BCD** will focus on improving safety and access and prioritizing projects for cyclists and pedestrians across the region. The BCDCOG will collaborate with a variety of stakeholders, including transit agencies, who have an interest in safe and accessible transportation facilities that create a sustainable, integrated, and efficient transportation system to enhance economy and livability in the region.

Public participation is critical to developing the **WALK BIKE BCD** plan. The BCDCOG has launched the project website at www.WalkBikeBCD.com where residents may take an online survey, locate areas on a map where facility improvements are needed, and sign up for email updates about new project information and outreach activities. You can also follow the project on Twitter [@WalkBikeBCD](https://twitter.com/WalkBikeBCD). Public meeting dates will be announced in October.

When completed in the upcoming year, the **WALK BIKE BCD** plan will guide future investments in the region that will contribute to clean air and conservation of natural resources, and promote healthier, sustainable communities. It will also lead to improved connections between the bicycle and pedestrian facilities within the existing network and other modes of transportation, as well as help reduce greenhouse gas emissions and vehicles miles traveled.

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