

Bike, Trail, Walkway Survey Online

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The City of Orinda wants to know how much you walk, bike, and use the trails throughout Orinda and whether it is for exercise, fun or to get to where you are going. Your responses will aid in the development of the Bicycle, Trail, and Walkway (BTW) Master Plan. In addition to gaining a better understanding of residents' use and satisfaction with the trails, the City is seeking specific recommendations for what Orindans would like to see improved.

Available through a link at the City website (www.ci.orinda.ca.us/), the survey consists of 17 questions and takes about five minutes to complete. The City is hopeful that many residents will take advantage of the opportunity to take the survey. "Community input is crucial," states Monica A. Pacheco, Assistant to the City Manager. "The survey results will help shape the direction of the

BTW Master Plan. The more responses we receive, the more comprehensive the plan will be incorporating the community's needs right from the start of the project."

"The survey is the first phase of the BTW Master Plan development process," notes Pacheco. The City will also hold a town hall meeting this summer to obtain additional input from the community. In addition, a technical advisory group consisting of members of the Parks and Recreation Commission, the Traffic Safety Advisory Committee, and interested bike and walking group members has been formed to aid in the development process as well.

The Bike, Trail, Walkway Survey be accessible at the City website through mid-July; paper surveys are available at City Hall and the Parks & Recreation Office.