

# Traffic Calming: State of the Program

### **Traffic Calming**

Combination of self-enforcing physical measures to improve safety on the streets

#### **Objectives:**

- Reduce speeding and cut though
- •Improve pedestrian/bike safety and access
- Increase driver awareness
- Prevent shifting the problem
- Enhance aesthetics
- Maintain access
- Include education and enforcement efforts

### SFMTA Traffic Calming Program

1998: Authority SAR BS7

2000: Guidelines developed

2001: Applications accepted

2003: Prop K passes and funding established

2005: 5 Year Prioritization Program (5YPP) approved

2005 to 2009: Program focuses on planning to address application back-log (135+ apps)

2009: 5YPP updated, emphasis shifted to implementation

2012: Request to review and update Program

Added Authority SAR Ben Stupka, 2/10/2012 BS7



Local Streets



Arterial and Commercial Streets



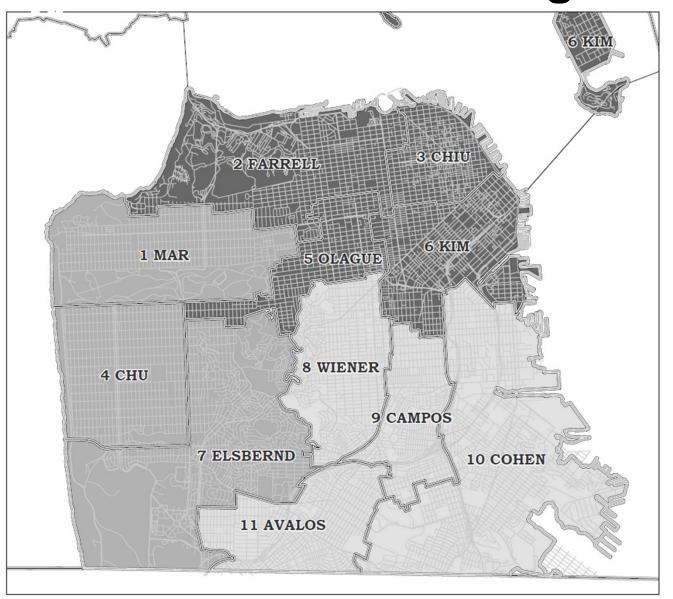
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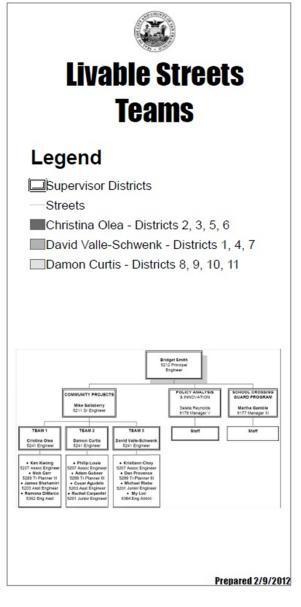
Goal: Safer Streets for Everyone

### **Local Streets Track**

- Over 500 applications received from 2001-2011
- 135+ accepted before funding was made available in 2005
- Average 6-8 applications and 15 inquiries per month
- Current staff: 5-8 FTE

### **Staffing**

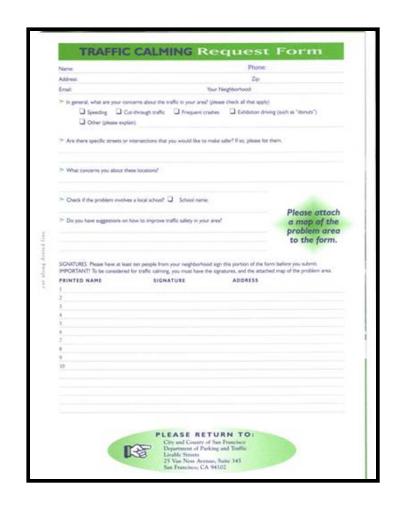






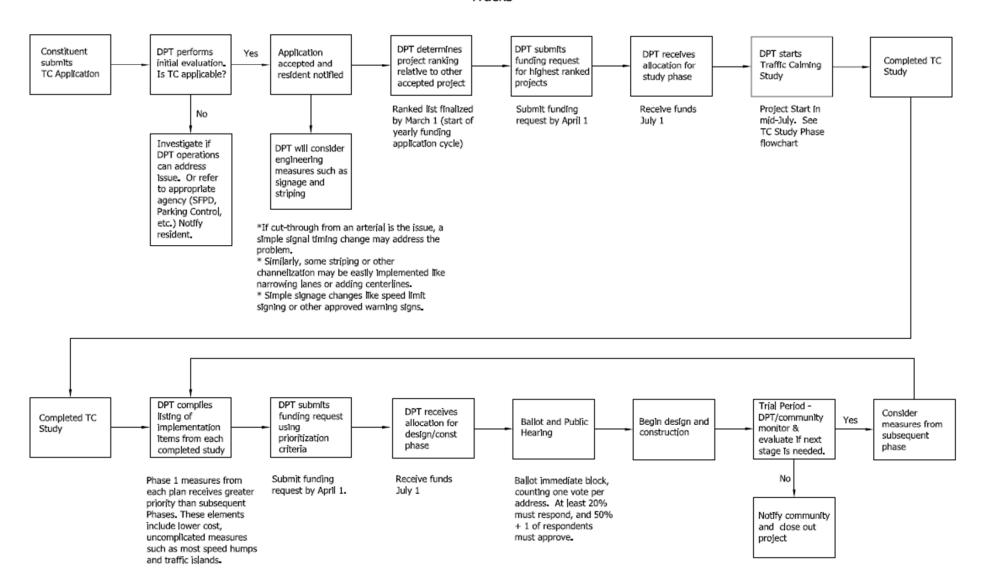
## Application Process for Projects

- Application submitted by residents
- Analysis to determine whether approved tools can address issue
- Accepted projects ranked
- Highest ranking projects selected

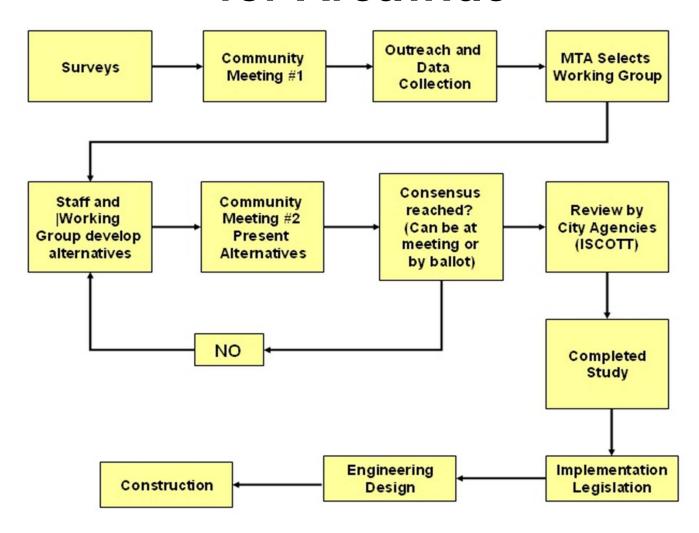


### Traffic Calming Request and Funding Process

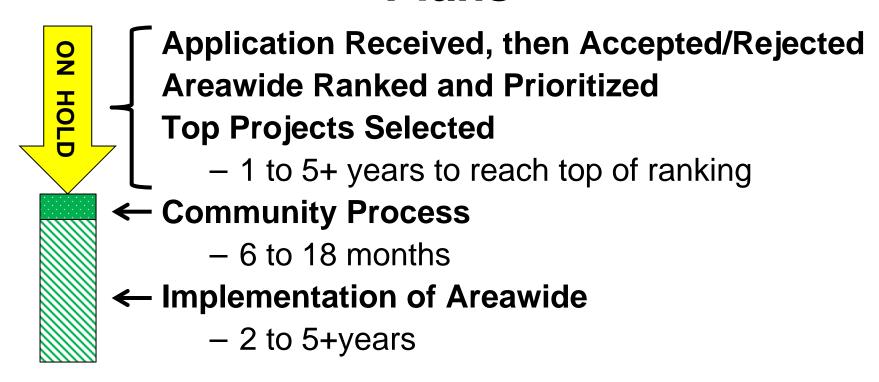
Areawide, Site-Specific and School Tracks



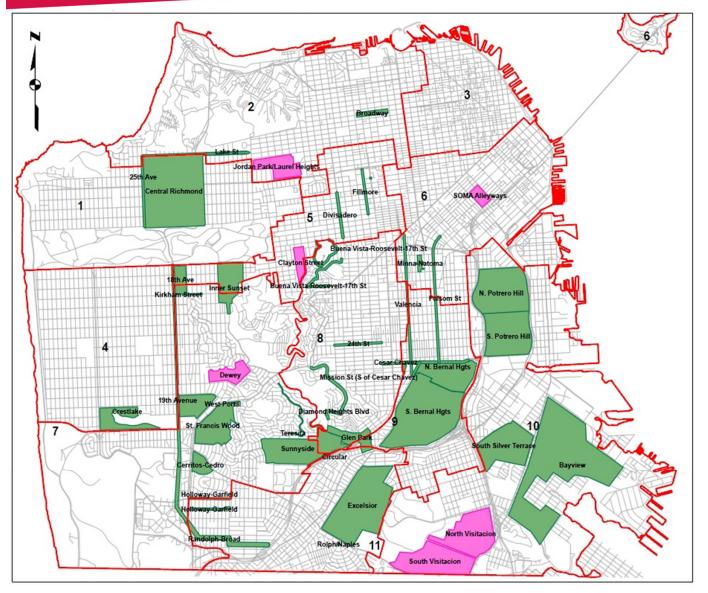
## Development of Traffic Calming Study for Areawide

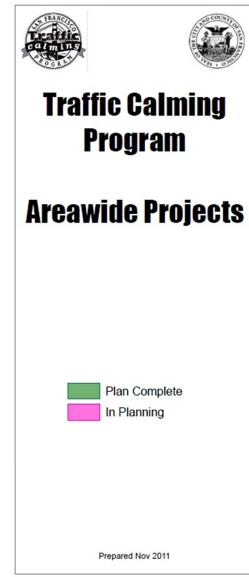


## Typical Timeline for Local/Areawide Plans

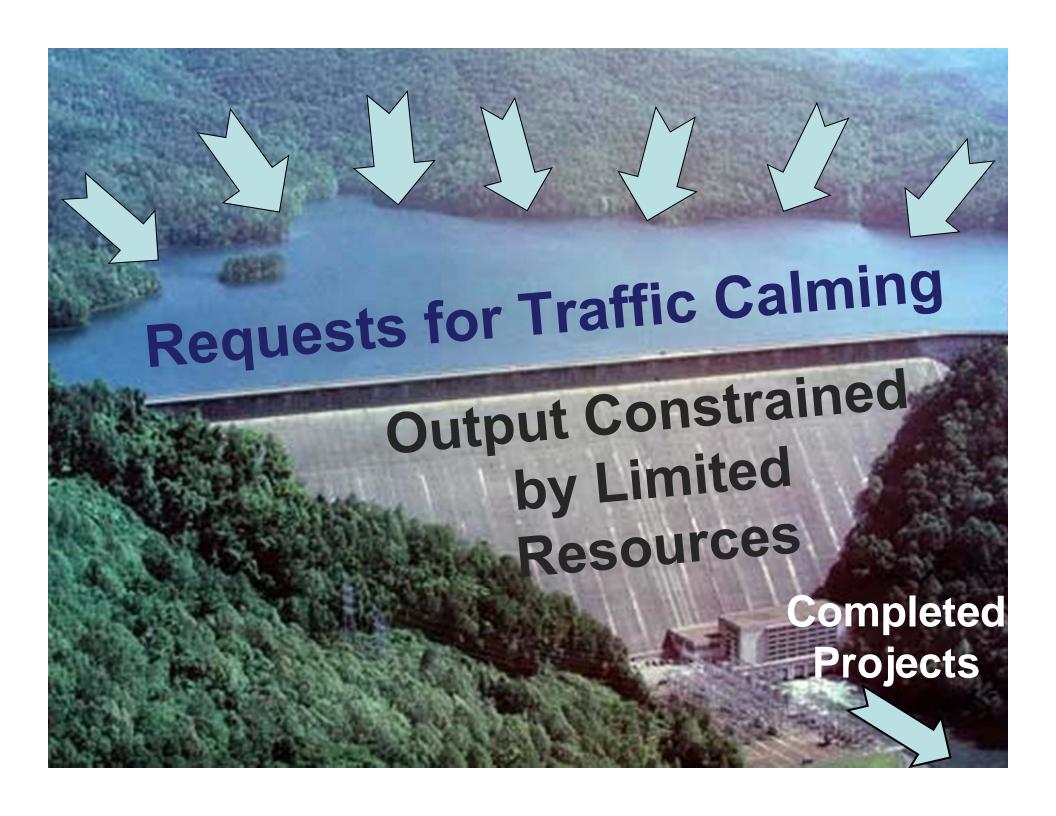


### Total Time from Application to Completion: 4 to 10+years





**Total Cost to Complete all Planned Measures: \$27M** 



### Current Areas to be Addressed BSS

- High Demand Citywide
- Refining Criteria/Measures of Success (i.e. collision reduction versus speed reduction)
- Shortening Planning/Implementation Timelines
- Better Communication with Public and Stakeholders
- Staff Resources and Prioritization of Work Load
- Limited Funding
- Social/Geographic Equity
- Limited Tools to Control Speeding on Arterials

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