



Vermont

RANKING # 23

REGIONAL RANKING » EAST #8

GOVERNOR: Peter Shumlin

DOT COMMISSIONER: Brian Searles

BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN COORDINATOR: Jon Kaplan

STATE ADVOCACY GROUP: Vermont Bicycle and Pedestrian Coalition

CATEGORY SCORES

SCORING: 5 = HIGH 1 = LOW

2 LEGISLATION AND ENFORCEMENT

4 POLICIES AND PROGRAMS

1 INFRASTRUCTURE AND FUNDING

3 EDUCATION AND ENCOURAGEMENT

2 EVALUATION AND PLANNING

TOP 10 SIGNS OF SUCCESS

PEOPLE COMMUTING BY BIKE (MORE THAN 1%)



SAFE PASSING/VULNERABLE ROAD USER LAW



COMPLETE STREETS POLICY

DEDICATED STATE FUNDING



ACTIVE STATE ADVOCACY GROUP



STATE BICYCLE PLAN (ADOPTED 2003 OR LATER)



SHARE THE ROAD CAMPAIGN

BICYCLE EDUCATION FOR POLICE

BICYCLE SAFETY EMPHASIS IN STRATEGIC HIGHWAY SAFETY PLAN

TOP 10 STATE FOR CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY SPENDING

TOP TIP

Utilize all MAP-21 funding programs - including TAP, HSIP, CMAQ, STP, and Section 402 - to include biking and walking in all transportation projects.

FEEDBACK

- Adopt a law allowing transportation agencies to post 20 mph or lower speed limits under certain circumstances.
- Develop a Police Officer Standards and Training (POST) curriculum for bicycling enforcement both for new officers and continuing education – focus on laws related to bicyclists, interactions between motorists and bicyclists, and bicycle collision investigation.
- Integrate bicycle enforcement training into the police academy curriculum for new officers.
- Adopt a statewide, all-ages cell phone ban to combat distracted driving and increase safety for everyone.
- Collect data regarding enforcement actions against motorists based on incidents with bicycles, such as traffic tickets issued, prosecutions, or convictions.
- Adopt federal funding project rating criteria that incentivize bicycle projects and accommodations.
- Create a system of state bike routes that are safe (e.g. wide shoulders, bike lanes, etc.), connect to destinations, and are suitable for all types of bicyclists.
- Dedicate state funding for bicycle projects and programs, especially those focused on safety and eliminating gaps and increasing access for bicycle networks.
- Hold a state bicycle summit with opportunities for professional development, contact with elected officials, and networking.
- Adopt a mode share goal for biking to encourage the integration of bicycle transportation needs into all transportation and land use policy and project decisions.