# Complete & Green Streets for All:

# Model Complete Streets Policy & Guide

# Concept Development Checklist

*This document is a text-only version of the Concept Development Checklist included in the New Jersey Department of Transportation* ***Complete & Green Streets for All: Model Complete Streets Policy & Guide****, published in July 2019. For guidance on how to use this template to create your own policy and checklists, view the full guide at* [*https://www.state.nj.us/transportation/eng/completestreets/resources.shtm*](https://nam02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.state.nj.us%2Ftransportation%2Feng%2Fcompletestreets%2Fresources.shtm&data=02%7C01%7Csarah.sahili%40rutgers.edu%7Cd9d3d47c79bd46fa4c9108d71c0f0940%7Cb92d2b234d35447093ff69aca6632ffe%7C1%7C0%7C637008723208232556&sdata=UkEOz0z8aOVdCG8a9UUYANNaLuYeLwL9HRJ616OCme4%3D&reserved=0)*.*

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| **item to be addressed** | **checklist consideration** | **yes** | **no** | **n/a** | **required description** |
| **EXISTING BICYCLE, PEDESTRIAN**  **AND TRANSIT ACCOMMODATIONS** | Are there accommodations for bicyclists, pedestrians (including ADA compliance) and transit users included on or crossing the current facility? |  |  |  |  |
|  | **Examples include (but are not limited to):** |
|  | * Sidewalks * Signalized or protected crosswalks * Pedestrian-scale lighting * Multi-use trails |
|  | * Public seating |
|  | * Bike racks |
|  | * Transit shelters |
| **EXISTING BICYCLE AND**  **PEDESTRIAN OPERATIONS** | Has the existing bicycle level of traffic stress and pedestrian suitability on the current transportation facility been identified? |  |  |  |  |
|  | Have the bicycle and pedestrian conditions within the study area, including pedestrian and/or bicyclist treatments, volumes, important connections and lighting been identified? |  |  |  |  |
|  | Do bicyclists/pedestrians regularly use the transportation facility for commuting or recreation? |  |  |  |  |
|  | Are there physical or perceived impediments to bicyclist or pedestrian use of the transportation facility? |  |  |  |  |

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| **EXISTING BICYCLE AND**  **PEDESTRIAN OPERATIONS**  (**continued**) | Have the existing volumes of pedestrian and/or bicyclist crossing activity at intersections including midblock and nighttime crossing been collected/provided? |  |  |  |  |
|  | Are there multi-use trails in the area that can be connected to this transit center/bus stop/network/area? |  |  |  |  |
| **EXISTING TRANSIT OPERATIONS** | Are there existing transit facilities within the project area, including bus and train stops/stations? |  |  |  |  |
|  | Is the transportation facility on a transit route? |  |  |  |  |
|  | Is the transportation facility within two miles of “park and ride” or “kiss and go” lots? |  |  |  |  |
|  | Are there existing or proposed amenities including pedestrian seating/shelters, bicycle racks or parking available at these lots or transit stations? Are there bike racks on buses that travel along the facility? |  |  |  |  |
| **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** | Has there been a clear process for public participation? |  |  |  |  |
|  | Are project Concept Development Checklists currently available on-line? |  |  |  |  |
| **EXISTING MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATIONS** | Are there existing concerns within the study area, regarding motor vehicle safety, traffic volumes/ congestion or access? |  |  |  |  |

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| **EXISTING TRUCK/ FREIGHT OPERATIONS** | Are there existing concerns within the study area, regarding truck/ freight safety, volumes, or access? |  |  |  |  |
| **EXISTING ACCESS AND MOBILITY** | Are there any existing access or mobility considerations, including ADA compliance? |  |  |  |  |
|  | Are there any schools, hospitals, senior care facilities, educational buildings, community centers, residences or businesses of persons with disabilities within or proximate to the study area? |  |  |  |  |
| **LAND USE** | Have you identified the predominant land uses and densities within the study area, including any main street, historic districts or special zoning districts? |  |  |  |  |
|  | Is the transportation facility in a high-density land use area that has pedestrian/bicycle/motor vehicle and transit traffic? |  |  |  |  |
| **MAJOR SITES** | Have you identified the major sites, destinations, and trip generators within or proximate to the study area, including prominent landmarks, employment centers, recreation, commercial, cultural and civic institutions, schools, and public spaces? |  |  |  |  |

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| **EXISTING STREETSCAPE** | Are there existing or planned street trees, planters, buffer strips, or other environmental enhancements such as drainage swales within the study area? |  |  |  |  |
| **RESURFACING** | Can additional road uses be supported and/or safety improved by reconfiguring lanes within the same roadway width? Examples include but not limited to, lane narrowing, lane reconfiguration, lane reduction (road diet), on-street bicycle parking, high visibility crosswalks, painted curb extension, etc. |  |  |  |  |
| **EXISTING PLANS** | Are there any comprehensive planning documents that address bicyclist, pedestrian or transit user conditions within or proximate to the study area?  **Examples include (but are not limited to):**   * School Travel Plans * Municipal or County Master or Redevelopment Plan * Local, County and Statewide Bicycle and Pedestrian Plans * Local, County and Regional Trail Plans * Sidewalk Inventories * MPO Transportation Plan * NJDOT Designated Transit Village |  |  |  |  |
| **IMPERVIOUS COVER** | Is there an opportunity to remove impervious surface as part of this project? |  |  |  |  |

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| **PRIORITY COMMUNITIES** | Does the project area include Priority Communities(as defined by Complete Streets)? |  |  |  |  |
| **SAFETY** | Does the crash history of the study area include injuries and fatalities of all road users? |  |  |  |  |
| **STORMWATER MANAGEMENT** | Does the project area have a history of flooding? Is the project area in a combined sewer system and subject to combined sewer overflows? |  |  |  |  |
|  | Does nonpoint source pollution from the project area generate runoff that flows into a critical water body? |  |  |  |  |
| **PUBLIC HEALTH** | Does the Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA) or Community Health Improvement Plan (County Health Department) identify need for health improvements in the project area? Examples include health in safe zones, increases in number/length of walking/ bicycling paths. |  |  |  |  |
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| **Municipal or County Planner Sign-Off** | | | | | |
| **statement of compliance** | | | **yes** | **no** | If **NO**, please describe why (refer to Exemptions Clause) |
| The plan or roadway improvement accommodates bicyclists, pedestrians, transit users of all ages and abilities, and addresses the related public health, Priority Communities, and environmental goals as set forth in the ***[municipality/ county]*** Complete Streets Policy. | | |  |  |  |