



UAA Professional Development Seminar Series



AMATS' Non-Motorized Transportation Plan Update

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Anchorage is at a unique crossroads. Over the past year and a half, the city has made steps towards implementing projects and policies which will improve safety for all people using the city's streets. Updating and unifying the 1996 Areawide Trails Plan, 2007 Anchorage Bike Plan and the 2010 Anchorage Pedestrian Plan into a non-motorized plan will be a key strategy to provide safe and efficient travel options for all residents.

AMATS' Non-Motorized Transportation Plan is a comprehensive effort to examine the opportunities to increase and expand multi-modal facilities, for both recreation and transportation. This presentation will provide an overview of the planning process and issues to be addressed, including how future land use developments, major origins and destinations within the city will be considered to create an interconnected multi-modal system for Anchorage residents.

Joni Wilm has 12+ years of experience leading complex projects in the fields of urban design, land-use and transportation planning. In addition to being lead Project Manager for the AMATS Non-Motorized Plan, her current projects also include AMATS Complete Streets Policy, AMATS Street Typologies Map, Spenard Corridor Plan, AMATS Transportation Alternatives Program, the BikeLife Anchorage Publication, AMATS Public Participation Plan, AMATS Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Awareness Campaign, and the Bicycle and Pedestrian PSA program.

Jessica Szlag is a transportation and land use policy professional based in Anchorage, Alaska. She has 13 years of experience creating safer and more connected communities through pedestrian, transit, and bicycle oriented design. Jessica holds a Master's in Public Administration from the University of Washington's Evans School of Public Policy & Governance and a Bachelor of Arts from Villanova University. She is also an alumna of the Seattle Urban Land Institute's (ULI) Center for Sustainable Leadership, and Portland State University's Innovation in Bicycling & Pedestrian Innovation Program.

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