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Cal Poly Students to Present Plans to Improve Traffic Flow on Nov. 17

SAN LUIS OBISPO – Cal Poly students will present their ideas to city and county officials on how to improve transportation in San Luis Obispo at event on campus Thursday, Nov. 17.

The gathering, which is open to the public, will run 3:45 to 5:30 p.m. in Engineering (Building 13) Room 117.

The projects have been developed by Civil Engineering and City & Regional Planning students taking a Public Transportation class.

John Webster, transit manager for the City of San Luis Obispo, suggested the primary objective for the projects, which are aimed at developing preferential treatment for city and regional public transportation. Examples include traffic lights that stay green longer when they detect a bus approaching or bus lanes that can be used by taxis.

Students were asked to include features that promote public transportation and encourage walking and biking in San Luis Obispo. They were also asked to consider issues relevant to intersections.

“These students are the engineers and planners of tomorrow,” said Civil Engineering professor Eugene Jud, “and they have an impact on how San Luis Obispo will look in the future.”

Each student group will give a short presentation. Afterward, attendees are encouraged to discuss the concepts with the students.

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