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# San Diego is host venue for California Bike Summit

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SACRAMENTO (BRAIN) — The California Bicycle Coalition (CalBike) will host its bike summit Oct. 25-28 at the Wyndham Bayside Hotel in San Diego, Calif. The theme of the conference is equity with seven tracks focusing on open streets, building better bikeways, movement building, prosperity, education, enforcement and communications.

Sunday's opening plenary "Springboard Into Action" will be hosted by Monique Lopez, Transportation Justice Policy Advocate for the Environmental Health Coalition, David Alvarez, Member, San Diego City Council and Genoveva Islas, Director, Cultiva La Salud.

The summit will also open with a tribute to Deb Hubsmith of Marin, California, the dynamic founder and past executive director of the Safe Routes to School National Partnership, who died in August.

Plenary talks include Malcolm Dougherty, Director, California Department of Transportation, on Caltrans' strategic goal to triple bicycling in California, and Hamzat Sani, Equity Initiative Director of the League of American Bicyclists, for a national perspective on equity in bicycling.

San Diego will be well represented at the summit with plenary talks by California Assembly member Toni Atkins; San Diego Mayor Kevin Faulconer; San Diego Supervisor Greg Cox; Andy Hanshaw, Executive Director of the San Diego County Bicycle Coalition; Sam Ollinger, Executive Director of Bike San Diego; and Howard LaGrange, Chair, San Diego County Regional Bike/Walk Alliance, among others.

An e-bike panel with Claudia Wasko of Bosch eBike Systems; Larry Pizzi of Currie Technologies; Jeanie Ward-Waller of the California Bicycle Coalition; and Steven Cliff of Caltrans will discuss how the new law governing e-bikes will impact bicycling in California. And a CalBike effort to encourage the state to fund bicycle subsidies to make e-bikes and all types of bicycles more accessible to low-income residents.

Around 300 urban planners, equity organizers, health advocates, corporate leaders, transit agencies, and bicycle advocates from around the state will attend the summit for three days of interactive panels, inspiring presentations, bike tours, and training sessions to share knowledge, build skills, and network.

The California Bicycle Summit is held every two years. The 2013 Summit in Oakland, Calif., sold out.

For more details go to [calbike.org/2015bikesummit](http://calbike.org/2015bikesummit).

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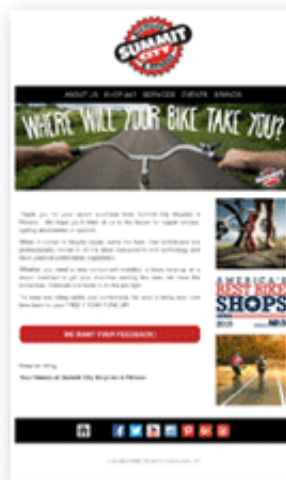
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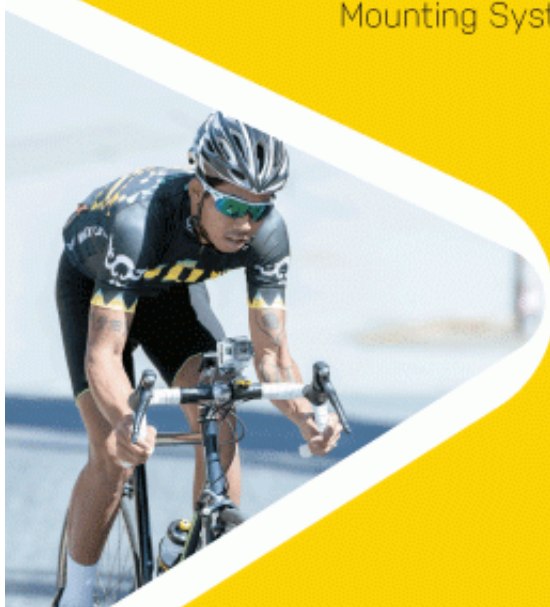
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