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Put "Pedestrian Network Miles" back into the CEQA Streamlining for Infill Projects (SB 226).

"Pedestrian network miles" is an essential metric. "Radius" is not an acceptable substitute.

"Radius" is a misleading metric; walking distance is usually greater than the radius, and can be many times greater than the radius. Out of direction travel required to cross streets, highways, creeks or rivers makes many pedestrian trips impractical, even when the distance measured as a "radius" is short.

Past failure to measure "pedestrian network miles" is no excuse for failing to implement this metric for infill streamlining. Infill streamlining is the ideal situation in which to begin requiring measurement of "pedestrian network miles." We must develop, implement and use appropriate pedestrian metrics if we hope to provide transportation choices, and the opportunity to walk as part of daily life.

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