Alvarado Elementary Safe Routes to School Improvement Plan
Site Assessment held on March 21, 2014

1. Cesar Chavez Park
   - Establish formal Park & Walk location from this park. Consider organizing a Walking School Bus from this drop-off point.

2. Granger Avenue at Smith Street
   - Study reconfiguration of intersection, including:
     - curb extension to remove merging space on west side of intersection.
     - high-visibility crosswalk on west side of intersection with rapid rectangular flashing beacons (RRFB) and in-pavement YIELD paddle.
     - upgraded curb ramps with tactile dome strips.
     - consider restriping 2-to-1 lane merge on Smith Street to the east of the railroad tracks at Tidewater Drive, with a single through lane and a drop right-turn lane onto to Granger Avenue.

3. Smith Street Sidewalks
   - Repair sidewalk on north side of the street where upheaval has created uneven surfaces.
   - Widen sidewalks on both sides of the street between UP RR right of way and New Haven Street

4. Smith Street at Fredi Street
   - Stripe red curb on north side of intersection.
   - Refresh existing red curb on each side of Fredi St.

5. Fredi Street
   - Seek City and District approval to run drop-off valet with parent volunteers and 4th/5th grade safety patrol.
   - Post “No U-Turn” signs if allowed by City.
   - Work with District and City to reconfigure Alvarado Middle School drop-off loop so parents cannot use street side of loop for drop-off, replace “no parking” signs with “no stopping”.

6. Fredi Street at Horner Street
   - Stripe red along the curb at each corner of the intersection and stripe advance stop bars to improve pedestrian visibility.

7. Remote Drop-Off Locations
   - Work with local church and businesses to designate their parking lots as remote drop-off locations during the morning.

8. Alameda Creek & Rail Road right-of-way
   - Short term - include recommendation in school circulation plan to use creek pathway instead of railroad.
   - Long term - study creation of direct bike/ped connection between Alameda Creek pathway and Tidewater Drive. This would require cooperation and easement rights from railroad operator.

9. School Circulation Plan
   - Develop recommended circulation plan for parents, distribute among parents as part of back-to-school efforts.