

Summary of Consultant Activities – August 2020
Sustainable Community Advocates
Steve Teshara, Principal

- Attend/participate in the August 6 virtual meeting of the Tahoe Interagency Executives Steering Committee. Agenda items included: 1) Update on work of the Bi-State Transportation Consultation committee; 2) Report/Status Update from this year's Lake Tahoe Summit planning group (SCA is a member); 3) Update on work of the Sustainable Recreation Working Group (including solicitation of feedback on upcoming workplan items); 4) Presentation/review/discussion on 2019 EIP Accomplishments basin-wide; 5) Partner Updates. (SCA provides a presence for the Tahoe Basin Fire Chiefs at these meetings of Tahoe agency executives).
- Participate in additional conference calls of the 2020 Lake Tahoe Summit planning group, leading up to the August 25th 24th Annual Lake Tahoe Summit.
- Attend/participate in the August 12 virtual meeting of the TRPA Advisory Planning Commission (APC): Agenda item of interest to the Basin Chiefs: Presentation on proposed amendments for the TRPA Code of Ordinances Chapter 61, Section 61.3 Vegetation Management and Forest Health. APC voted to recommend the amendments forward to the next step in the TRPA review and approval process.
- Attend August 18 virtual meeting of the Nevada Legislative Committee for the Review and Oversight of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency and the Marlette Lake Water System (NRS 218E.555) Note: This was the Committee's final meeting of the 2019-2020 Interim and included the Committee's Work Session.
Meeting agenda presentations of particular interest to the Basin Chiefs: Presentation Presentation regarding Climate Change: Implications for Lake Tahoe. Kristen Averyt, Ph.D., State Climate Policy Coordinator, Nevada Department of Conservation and Natural Resources; Federal Activities by the US Forest Service, Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit (LTBMU) and Overview of the Multi-Jurisdictional Tahoe Fire and Fuels Team (TFFT); also, Committee Work Session – Discussion and Possible Action on Recommendations related to: Science and Research; Transportation; Environmental Improvement Program; and Marlette Lake Water System.
- Attend August 25 virtual Lake Tahoe Summit (24th annual Summit) hosted by Nevada US Senator Catherine Cortez Masto. Attend invitation only EIP Roundtable following the Summit, also hosted by Senator Cortez Masto. Note: I secured a Roundtable speaking role for Chief Scott Baker, Tahoe Douglas Fire Protection District, who spoke representing the Tahoe Basin Fire Chiefs and TFFT.
- Continue Lake Tahoe Partnership advocacy in support of Federal FY 21 appropriations consistent with the Lake Tahoe Restoration Act (LTRA) of 2016.