

Summary of Consultant Activities – December 2021
Sustainable Community Advocates
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- Prepare and provide District Management Team with weekly North Shore Agenda Watch, highlighting items of interest on agendas, including, but not limited to, Placer County Board of Supervisors, Placer County Planning Commission, and the North Tahoe Regional Advisory Council (NTRAC). This Watch also includes meetings of the TRPA Governing Board, Advisory Planning Commission (APC), and Governing Board committees: Regional Plan Implementation Committee (RPIC), Local Government & Housing Committee, EIP, Transportation and Public Outreach Committee, Forest Health & Wildfire Committee, and TRPA Technical Working Groups (as they are appointed and assigned specific planning matters), and meetings of the Tahoe Interagency Executives Steering Committee (TIE-SC).
- Review all pertinent TRPA written materials. Provide District Chief and Management Team updates on TRPA activities related to the Regional Plan and Code of Ordinances, Area Plans, and the development and execution of active Agency Strategic Planning Initiatives, including the current TRPA Local Government and Housing Committee's work (Tahoe Living Work Group) and the Tahoe Transportation Implementation Committee (TTIC) work on the Sustainable Regional Revenue Source(s) initiative to help fund transportation and transit in the Tahoe Region.

Projects and Planning in Placer County (and along SR 89-West Shore)
Pertinent TRPA and related meetings

- Track Placer County process and final Board of Supervisors' decision to approve new boundaries for supervisorial districts based on the 2020 US Census. Note: District 5 now includes all of the City of Auburn.
- Continue to track Board of Supervisors' decisions regarding the County's Short-Term Rental Ordinance (STR) temporary moratorium and staff work on a revised STR Ordinance.
- Continue to track a variety of proposed private and public projects within the NTFPD service area, with a focus on downtown Tahoe City and downtown Kings Beach, including, but not limited to: Remaining elements of the SR 89/Fanny Bridge Community Revitalization Project; Tahoe City Lodge boutique hotel; Boatworks at Tahoe (project proposes 80-85 lodging hotel lodging units, 31 residential condominiums, conference facilities, full-service spas and other amenities, food and beverage outlets, and retail space); Kings Beach Center (proposed redevelopment of numerous parcels to include a 120 unit (key hotel), 20 single family residential condominiums, and retail/mixed use); and the Lakeside Redevelopment Project (also in Kings Beach).
- Continue to track the status of litigation on the Martis Valley West Project. Note: The Third District Court of Appeals held a hearing on this case December 17. The Court now has 90 days to determine if the environmental report on the development was done properly. In the lawsuit filed against the development, Sierra Watch, League to Save Lake Tahoe, and Mountain Area Preservation, one of the issues is whether or not the project environmental report adequately addressed mitigation for wildfire. If the court finds the environmental report failed to comprehensively address all pertinent issues, the development company will be sent back to the drawing board and a new EIR would be required if the developers want to proceed.

- Continue to track final design and funding for construction of the Kings Beach “Western Approach” project (roundabout) at the intersection of State Routes 267 and 28 in Kings Beach adjacent to NTFPD Station 52. As of this writing, project construction is still anticipated in 2022.

Other Consultant Activities

- Attend (virtually) December 8th meeting of the TRPA Advisory Planning Commission (APC). Agenda topics included: Update on Climate Change and Sustainability Initiative and 2021-2022 TRPA Work Plan; Discussion and Possible Recommendation on amendments to Chapter 65 of the Code of Ordinances and Section 10.8.5 of the Rules of Procedure for Mobility Mitigation Fee Update (a replacement for the previous TRPA Air Quality Mitigation Fee).
- Review revised Lake Tahoe Sustainable Transportation Funding Initiative Revenue Options Briefing Book (dated November 30, 2021) prepared by the RGS consulting team under contract for this project by TRPA and the Tahoe Transportation District.
- Attend (virtually) December 15 meeting of the TRPA Environmental Improvement, Transportation and Public Outreach Committee: Agenda Topic: Updated presentation by RGS consultants on the Sustainable Transportation Funding Initiative Options and Committee direction to consultants and Agency staff.
- Attend (virtually) December 15 meeting of the TRPA Governing Board: Agenda topics included: Tahoe Keys Lagoons Aquatic Weed Control Methods Test Project Update; Discussion and consideration of approval for amendments to Chapter 65 of the Code of Ordinances and Section 10.8.5 of the Rules of Procedure for the Mobility Mitigation Fee (approved).
- Coordinate with Forest Schafer agenda items and final preparations for Tahoe Basin Fire Chiefs meeting December 14 to discuss Tahoe Fire and Fuels Team (TFFT) and Multi-Agency Coordinating Committee (MAC) matters.
- Attend and participate in December 14 Tahoe Basin Fire Chiefs meeting (virtual). Discussion topics included: Interested candidate(s) for election to the position of MAC Chair and Vice Chair and TFFT Incident Commander. Key TFFT Charter Protocols and Principles, the process for updating TFFT project priorities and the process for updating TFFT Incident Action Plans (IAP). Consensus to schedule a full TFFT meeting sometime early in the new year.
- Continue discussions with TRPA planning staff to begin a fresh initiative to discuss parameters for “Public Safety Shoreline Facilities.” Telephone conversation with new TRPA Senior Long-Range Planner Jacob Stock. He confirms Fire District/Department representatives will be invited along with law enforcement.
- As coordinator of the Lake Tahoe Partnership (federal advocacy network), continue to track work by Congress on the FY 2022 federal budget as related to Tahoe’s submitted requests for funding under provisions of the Lake Tahoe Restoration Act (LTRA), including funding for forest health and hazardous fuels reduction, and Tahoe’s requests for federal funding under other applicable funding sources. **Note: Concern is growing about the length of the Continuing Resolution (CR) now extending into February, approximately one month short of three-quarters of the way into through federal Fiscal Year 2022. If the CR is**

continued by Congress for the balance of FY 2022, funding levels for the Lake Tahoe Restoration Act (LTRA) would remain the same as in FY 2021.

- Continue to track opportunities for Lake Tahoe in the \$1 trillion bi-partisan Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (aka the Bi-Partisan Infrastructure bill). Note: This bill includes a provision sponsored by Nevada US Senator Catherine Cortez Masto that allocates \$10 million in funding for wildfire detection equipment. Conversations are ongoing about this federal funding as a possible source for the purchase of Alchera fire detection cameras to integrate into the Alert Tahoe Camera Network.
- Review revised Lake Tahoe Sustainable Transportation Funding Initiative Revenue Options Briefing Book (public draft) as prepared by the RGS Consulting Team working under contract with TRPA and the Tahoe Transportation District (TTD).