



# **Tahoe In Brief**

## **Tahoe Regional Planning Agency (TRPA) Governing Board Monthly Report**

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July 2023

## TRPA CALENDAR AT-A-GLANCE

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### ***JULY 2023***

- July 26: TRPA Governing Board Meeting

### ***AUGUST 2023***

- August 9: TRPA Advisory Planning Commission Meeting
- August 9, Lake Tahoe Summit, North Tahoe Event Center in Kings Beach, CA
- August 23: TRPA Governing Board Meeting at the North Tahoe Event Center in Kings Beach, CA. (Note that a walking tour is planned for after the meeting.)

### ***SEPTEMBER 2023***

- September 13: TRPA Advisory Planning Commission Meeting
- September 27: TRPA Governing Board Meeting

### ***OCTOBER 2023***

- October 11: TRPA Advisory Planning Commission Meeting
- October 25: TRPA Governing Board Meeting

Potential agenda items August to December could include:

- TRPA's Transportation Equity Study
- Tahoe Living Phase 2: Land Use Code Innovation to Promote Affordable and Workforce Housing Solutions informational and consideration hearings.
- Climate Resilience Dashboard
- Homewood Master Plan amendment
- Tahoe Valley and Tourist Core Area Plan amendments

## TRPA STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

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(TRPA staff is reporting on these six initiatives in the existing format until the Governing Board updates priorities.)

# TRPA

## STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

Set by the Governing Board, these strategic initiatives reflect the agency's commitment to protect Lake Tahoe's environment while improving regional transportation, increasing diverse housing options, and facilitating community revitalization.

- **Building Resiliency: Climate Change and Sustainability**
- **Keeping Tahoe Moving: Transportation and Destination Stewardship**
- **Tahoe Living: Housing and Community Revitalization**
- **Restoration Blueprint: Environmental Improvement Program Implementation**
- **Measuring What Matters: Thresholds and Monitoring Update**
- **Digital First: Innovation**

### ***KEEPING TAHOE MOVING: TRANSPORTATION & DESTINATION STEWARDSHIP STRATEGIC INITIATIVE***

This initiative includes an update of the Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy, which encompasses greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction, the work of the Bi-State Consultation on Transportation, destination stewardship planning, and ongoing transportation corridor planning.

#### **Governing Board Committee Presentations**

At the July Governing Board meeting, the Environmental Improvement Transportation and Public Outreach (EITPO) Committee meeting will include presentations on transportation funding, transit, active transportation, and updates on Environmental Improvement Program (EIP) summer projects. Nick Haven, Transportation Improvement Department Manager and MPO Director will provide the status on sustainable transportation funding since the last update in April. Nick will walk through new local, state, and federal funding received for transportation projects. Carl Hasty, District Manager of the Tahoe Transportation District (TTD), will provide an overview on the update of the

TTD short-range transit plan, the Incline Mobility Hub site assessment process, the Transit Maintenance Facility feasibility location study, State Route 28 multi-modal improvements implementation, the recently awarded SMART Grant, and the Low-No Grant for further transit fleet conversion.

On the planning front, Ryan Murray from the Transportation Planning team will present on the Active Transportation Plan process, which is currently underway. Status reports on ongoing outreach, levels of traffic stress analysis, and overview of various policy recommendations will be provided. Additionally, following the August Governing Board meeting there will be a walkabout with Placer County executives and TRPA Advisory Planning Commission members including Kevin Drake. The intent of the walkabout is to highlight issues specific to the Placer County area, such as opportunities for growth, redevelopment in town centers, public parking policy, amongst others.

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**Associated Working Group(s)/Committee(s):**

- Bi-State Consultation on Transportation
- Transportation Performance Technical Advisory Committee
- Tahoe Transportation Implementation Committee
- Lake Tahoe Destination Stewardship Plan Core Team and Executive Team
- Lake Tahoe Destination Stewardship Coordinating Committees
- Regional Trails Plan Steering Committee

**Website(s):**

- <https://www.trpa.gov/transportation/#programs>
- <https://www.trpa.gov/programs/sustainable-recreation/>
- <https://stewardshiptahoe.org/>

**Newsletter:** Sign up to receive news by sending an email to [enews@trpa.gov](mailto:enews@trpa.gov) and put "Transportation" or "Destination Stewardship" in the subject line.

### **TAHOE LIVING: HOUSING & COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION STRATEGIC INITIATIVE**

This initiative addresses strategies for implementing affordable and achievable workforce housing as a key component of healthy, sustainable communities in the region. The Tahoe Living initiative implements the Regional Plan, the Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy, the Regional Housing Needs Allocation, and other identified regional housing needs.

### **Land Use Code Innovation to Promote Affordable and Workforce Housing**

Throughout the summer staff is engaging with the community on proposed changes to development right standards like height, density, and land coverage through events such as farmer's markets, one-on-one meetings, workshops, and fact sheets. Staff is working with a code technical committee to finalize the proposed amendments to bring back to the Governing Board for consideration in fall of 2023.

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### **Associated Working Group(s)/Committee(s):**

- Tahoe Living Working Group
- TRPA Governing Board Local Government & Housing Committee

### **Website(s):**

- Meeting materials are posted on the Tahoe Living Working Group page:  
<https://www.trpa.gov/tahoe-living-housing-and-community-revitalization-working-group-2/>
- Tahoe Housing Story Map:  
<https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/62ae9110d85c43ecb381eb3f3ccec196>

**Newsletter:** Sign up to receive housing news by sending an email to [enews@trpa.gov](mailto:enews@trpa.gov) and put "Housing" in the subject line.

### **RESTORATION BLUEPRINT: ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

This initiative focuses on Environmental Improvement Program (EIP) implementation to keep pace with current threats and to build resiliency to climate change. The EIP has a proven track record over 25 years. This bi-state, cross-boundary restoration partnership has implemented more than 700 projects to

improve the environmental and economic health of the Tahoe Basin. To build on the program's success, TRPA staff are accelerating project implementation on multiple fronts including streamlining EIP project permitting by "Cutting the Green Tape," augmenting program funding, and building partnerships at the national and regional levels.



### **Forest Health Briefing**

TRPA staff will be presenting on forest health priority projects, capacity needs, and funding at the July Governing Board meeting. The presentation will be informational and cover forest health projects around the Basin, the importance of continued investment in initial and maintenance treatments, and the Tahoe Fire & Fuel Team's focus on coordinated communication and funding.

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**Associated Working Group(s)/Committee(s):**

- Governing Board Environmental Improvement Program Committee
- Tahoe Interagency Executives Steering Committee

**Website(s):**

- EIP Project Tracker: <https://eip.laketahoeinfo.org/>
- Cutting the Green Tape: <https://resources.ca.gov/Initiatives/Cutting-Green-Tape>

***DIGITAL FIRST: INNOVATION INITIATIVE***

This initiative recognizes the agency's unique ability to address external events, technology changes, and pursue continuous improvement. It involves significantly improving the ability of the agency to provide services in a "digital first" way by rethinking processes and using innovative technology.

**Project Permitting**

See tables on the next pages for permitting details.

### TRPA Applications by Project Type through June 30, 2023

TRPA Applications by Project Type	2021	2022	2023 YTD
Residential Projects	242	267	136
Commercial Projects	11	18	16
Recreation/Public Service Projects	44	48	21
Environmental Improvement Projects	13	5	5
Shorezone/Lakezone Projects	130	66	11
Buoy and Mooring Projects	48	15	8
Grading Projects	37	35	16
Verifications and Banking	427	379	129
Transfers of Development	55	59	16
Other	142	233	78
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1,149</b>	<b>1,125</b>	<b>436</b>

### Completeness Review Performance

	<u>April 30, 2023</u>	<u>May 31, 2023</u>	<u>June 30, 2023</u>
<b>Completeness Reviews Finished During Period</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>117</b>
Reviewed within 30 Days of Submission	66	99	116
Over 30 Days from Submission	0	0	1
Percent Over 30 Days	0%	0%	1%
Files with Completeness Over 30 Days	N/A	N/A	ERSP2023-0473 (Shore- Lakezone, 33 days)
<b>Applications Not Yet Reviewed for Completeness</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>30</b>
Under 30 Days Since Submission	46	48	30
Over 30 Days Since Submission	0	1	0
Percent Over 30 Days	N/A	2%	0%

## Application Review Performance

	<u>April 30, 2023</u>	<u>May 31, 2023</u>	<u>June 30, 2023</u>
<b>Issued Permits</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>70</b>
Issued within 120 Days of Complete Application	63	75	62
Issued over 120 Days from Complete Application	13	7	7
Percent Over 120 Days	17%	9%	10%
Files with Issued Permits - Over 120 Days:	ERSP2021-0715 (Shore-Lakezone; 347 days)	ERSP2021-1814 (Shore- Lakezone; 306 days)	ERSP2021-1373 (Shore- Lakezone; 355 days)
	ERSP2022-1316 (Res Dwelling; 273 days)	MOOR2021- 1907 (Mooring Permit; 257 days)	ERSP2022-1117 (Shore- Lakezone; 337 days)
	ERSP2022-1124 (Shore-Lakezone; 245 days)	ERSP2022-1557 (Res Dwelling; 231 days)	MOOR2021- 1930 (Mooring Permit; 252 days)
	ERSP2022-0043 (Shore-Lakezone; 242 days)	MOOR2022- 1579 (Mooring Permit; 169 days)	MOOR2021- 1866 (Mooring Permit; 228 days)
	MOOR2021-1830 (Mooring Permit; 191 days)	ERSP2022-0107 (Shore- Lakezone; 163 days)	MOOR2021- 1909 (Mooring Permit; 212 days)
	ERSP2021-1854 (Shore-Lakezone; 189 days)	MOOR2021- 1892 (Mooring Permit; 143 days)	MOOR2021- 1887 (Mooring Permit; 197 days)
	MOOR2021-1839 (Mooring Permit; 178 days)	MOOR2022- 1826 (Mooring Permit; 141 days)	MOOR2022- 1835 (Mooring Permit; 163 days)
	ERSP2022-0045 (Shore-Lakezone; 174 days)		
	MOOR2021-1844 (Mooring Permit; 145 days)		



MOOR2022-1831  
 (Mooring Permit;  
 132 days)  
 ERSP2022-1956  
 (Shore-Lakezone;  
 124 days)  
 ERSP2018-0499-  
 01 (Shore-  
 Lakezone; 123  
 days)  
 ERSP2022-1501  
 (Conversion; 121  
 days)

	<u>April 30, 2023</u>	<u>May 31, 2023</u>	<u>June 30, 2023</u>
<b>Applications in Review</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>117</b>
Under 120 Days in TRPA Review	72	80	117
Over 120 Days in TRPA Review	0	0	0
Percent Over 120 Days	0%	0%	0%
Files In Review - Over 120 Days:	N/A	N/A	N/A

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<b>Applications Requiring Additional Info. From Applicants for TRPA Review</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>105</b>

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