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STAFF REPORT

Date: May 15, 2024

To: TRPA Governing Board

From: TRPA Staff

Subject: Release of El Dorado County Air Quality Interest Mitigation Funds (\$2,509.00) towards the [South Tahoe Greenway Shared Use Trail](#)

Summary and Staff Recommendation:

Staff recommends that the Governing Board approve El Dorado County's request for the release of Air Quality Interest Funds in the amount of \$2,509.00, for the South Tahoe Greenway Shared Use Trail (EIP Number: 03.02.02.0075), subject to the conditions cited below. The request is consistent with the Environmental Improvement Program objectives, and the Governing Board's policy guidelines for the release of mitigation funds.

Required Motion:

To approve the requested release, the Board must make the following motion:

- 1) A motion to approve the release subject to the conditions contained in this memorandum.

In order for the motion to pass, an affirmative vote of any eight Board members is required.

Background:

The Dennis T. Machida Memorial Greenway provides the backbone of the shared-use trail network in the south shore. Also known as the South Tahoe Greenway Shared Use Trail, the trail links south shore neighborhoods to each other, and to Lake Tahoe Community College. The 3.86-mile trail is being constructed in phases - phases 1a, 1b, and 2 are complete, and planning for Phase 1c is underway.

El Dorado County is requesting Air Quality Interest funds to cover payment of the State's Water Resources Control Board Water Quality Certification annual permit.

The unencumbered Air Quality Interest Fund account balance for El Dorado County is \$46,802.19, which is sufficient to cover this request.

Conditions:

Staff recommends approving the release of these funds subject to the following conditions of approval:

1. The County shall only use the funds for the project cited above and as approved by TRPA.
2. TRPA reserves the right to withhold funds to ensure project priorities, goals, and objectives are consistent with those of the Environmental Improvement Program and TRPA's Regional Plan.
3. The County agrees to follow all laws, codes, and regulations adopted by federal, state, and local authorities/agencies.
4. The County agrees to maintain a report detailing the use and expenditure of all funds used on the project. These records shall be made available for review and audit by TRPA within thirty (30) calendar days upon written request.
5. All mitigation funds not used as described above shall be returned to TRPA. Upon written approval from TRPA, these funds may be re-allocated to another project.
6. The County agrees to request from TRPA a final inspection no later than 30 days after completion of the project.
7. TRPA approved EIP signage shall be used on all projects during construction to identify TRPA as a funding source and shall include the EIP logo.
8. The County agrees to update and maintain project expenditures and applicable EIP Performance Measures achieved by this project in the EIP Tracker.

Regional Plan Compliance:

The proposed release complies with the TRPA Regional Plan and Code of Ordinances.

Contact Information:

If you have any questions regarding this item, please contact Tracy Campbell at tcampbell@trpa.gov, or (775) 589-5267.

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Attachment:

- A. EIP Project Fact Sheet

Attachment A

EIP Project Fact Sheet
South Tahoe Greenway Shared Use Trail