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STAFF REPORT

Date: March 18, 2026

To: TRPA Governing Board

From: TRPA Staff

Subject: Release of $50,000 in Washoe County Water Quality (WQ) Mitigation Funds towards the Burnt Cedar/Lakeshore Boulevard Water Quality Improvement Project (EIP No. 01.01.01.0211)

Summary and Staff Recommendation:
Staff recommends that the Governing Board approve Washoe County's request for the release of Washoe County Water Quality (WQ) Mitigation Funds ($50,000) towards the Burnt Cedar/Lakeshore Blvd Water Quality Improvement Project. The request is consistent with the Environmental Improvement Program objectives, and the Governing Board's policy guidelines for the release of mitigation funds.

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

1) A motion to approve the release of Washoe County Water Quality Mitigation Funds subject to the conditions contained in this staff report.

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

Project Description/Background:
Burnt Cedar Beach in Incline Village currently receives untreated stormwater discharge from upland residential areas. The discharge carries fine sediment particles (FSP), nutrients, and other pollutants that degrade water quality and contribute to the loss of Lake Tahoe's clarity. Existing stormwater infrastructure in the area is undersized and ineffective, resulting in upland stormwater flows that overburden existing best management practices (BMPs) at the beach.

The Nevada Tahoe Conservation District (NTCD), in partnership with Washoe County and the Incline Village General Improvement District (IVGID), proposes to design and implement a stormwater control system that will intercept, treat, and manage stormwater upgradient of Burnt Cedar Beach. The project will install stormwater treatment BMPs and stabilize road shoulders within the existing Washoe County right-of-way, along with an improved outfall conveyance system to safely manage overflow to Lake Tahoe. These improvements will reduce pollutant loading, improve treatment of urban stormwater runoff, and support attainment of Lake Tahoe Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) targets.

The project area is highly connected to Lake Tahoe and has been identified as a priority treatment location due to relatively high baseline fine sediment loads. The project is scheduled to begin in spring 2026, with construction anticipated to be completed by the end of 2027. The requested funds will complete a funding package that includes $50,000 from IVGID (Incline Village General Improvement District), $171,742 from NDSL (Nevada Division of State Lands), and $227,000 in NDEP (Nevada Division of Environmental Protection) 319(h) funds.

As of September 30, 2025, the unencumbered balance for Washoe County Water Quality Mitigation Funds was $295,534.55, which is sufficient to cover this request.

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

Conditions:

1. Washoe 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. Washoe County agrees to follow all laws, codes, and regulations adopted by federal, state, and local authorities/agencies.

4. Washoe 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. Washoe 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 to identify TRPA as a funding source and shall include the EIP logo.

8. Washoe County agrees to report the applicable EIP Performance Measures achieved by this project in the EIP Tracker.

Contact Information:
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Attachments:

A. EIP Project Fact Sheet

Attachment A

EIP Project Fact Sheet

Watersheds and Water Quality

Lake Tahoe
ENVIRONMENTAL
IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Burnt Cedar/Lakeshore Blvd Water Quality Improvement Project

Project Number	01.01.01.0211
Action Priority	Reduce Stormwater Pollution From: Roads and Highways, Forest Roads, Public and Pr Parcels
Implementers	Washoe County, NV
Primary Contact	Domi Fellers (dfellers@ntcd.org)
Stage	Planning/Design
Duration	2026 - 2026

Stormwater Management Program > Reduce Stormwater Pollution From: Roads and Highways, Forest Roads, Publ and Private Parcels

This is a water quality improvement project located in Incline Village. The area is highly connected to Lake Tahoe and is a priority treatment area due to a relatively large baseline FSP load. The project proposes to install stormwater treatment BMPs and shoulder stabilization within the existing Washoe County right-of-way and outfall conveyance that safely conveys overflow to Lake Tahoe, providing treatment for urban stormwater runoff to meet the Lake Tahoe TMDL. This project is on the 5-year list. On behalf of Washoe County and IVGID, NTCD is seeking funding to plan, permit, design and implement the project in the summer 2026.

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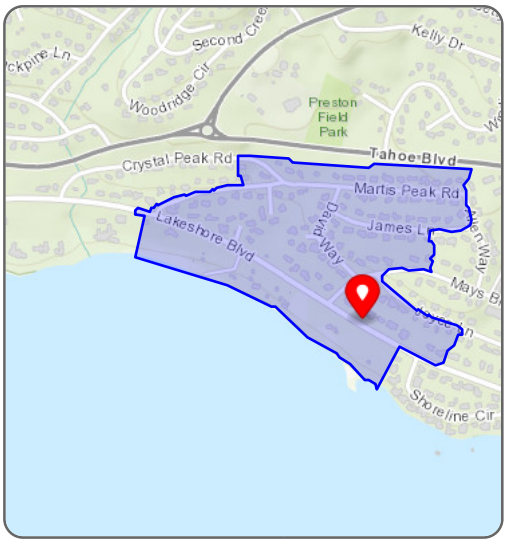
Key Accomplishments

Accomplishments to be provided upon completion of project

Threshold Categories

- Water Quality

Location



Expenditures

No expenditures provided