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STAFF REPORT

Date: June 17, 2026

To: TRPA Governing Board

From: TRPA Staff

Subject: Release of El Dorado County Operations and Maintenance (O&M) Mitigation Funds ($35,000.00) towards the Cattlemans Basin/Black Bart Retrofit Project

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Summary and Staff Recommendation:
Staff recommends that the Governing Board approve El Dorado County's request for the release of $35,000.00 in Operations and Maintenance (O&M) Mitigation Funds toward the Black Bart Basin Retrofit Project (EIP Project No. 01.01.01.0209), subject to the conditions cited below.

This request is consistent with the Environmental Improvement Program (EIP) objectives, the TRPA Code of Ordinances, and the Governing Board's policy guidelines for the release of mitigation funds.

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

1) A motion to approve the release subject to the conditions contained in this staff report

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

Project Description/Background:
The Black Bart Basin was constructed as part of the Pioneer Trail III Erosion Control Project completed in 2001. Similar to the nearby Cattlemans Basin, the facility was originally designed as an infiltration basin with corrugated steel pipe outlet structures and atrium racks located near the basin side slopes.

Over time, the basin has transitioned into a wet basin, resulting in the outlet structures becoming submerged throughout much of the year. The existing configuration limits the County's ability to conduct routine inspections and maintenance activities necessary to ensure the long-term effectiveness of the water quality treatment system.

The proposed retrofit will modify the outlet pipes to discharge above the existing basin water surface elevation, allowing County staff to safely access, inspect, and maintain the outlet structures. The improvements will support continued runoff treatment by facilitating sediment transport monitoring, sediment removal activities, and ongoing maintenance operations.

The local match for this project will be provided through El Dorado County's Road Fund, and the County anticipates completing the project in September 2026.

The unencumbered Operations & Maintenance (O&M) Mitigation Fund account balance for El Dorado County is $669,083.21, 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 reallocated 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 report the applicable EIP Performance Measures achieved by this project in the EIP Tracker.

Contact Information:
For questions regarding this agenda item, please contact Tracy Campbell at tcampbell@trpa.gov, or by phone at (775) 589-5267.

Contributing Public Comment:

- Written**:** Please submit comments by 3 p.m. the day before the meeting.
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- You may also send by mail, fax to (775) 588-4527, or drop off in person at 128 Market Street.

Attachment:
A. EIP Project Fact Sheet

Attachment A

EIP Project Fact Sheet

Lake Tahoe
ENVIRONMENTAL
IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Cattlemans/Black Bart Retrofit Project

Project Number	01.01.01.0209
Action Priority	Reduce Stormwater Pollution From: Roads and Highways, Forest Roads, Public and Pr Parcels
Implementers	El Dorado County, CA
Primary Contact	Donaldo Palaroan (donaldo.palaroan@edcgov.us)
Stage	Implementation
Duration	2025 - 2027

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

The Cattlemans and Black Bart Basins were constructed as part of the Pioneer Trail III Erosion Control Project in 2001. The improvements included corrugated steel pipe outlet structures with atrium racks near the edge of the basin side slopes. Since construction the basins have become wet basins with the outlet structures now under water most of the year. The 2025 project focused on retrofit of the outlet pipes so as discharge runoff above the existing basin surface water elevations allowing for proper inspections and maintenance related to runoff and sediment transport.

2001 - after construction looking north towards Cattleman's Basin from Cattlemans Court

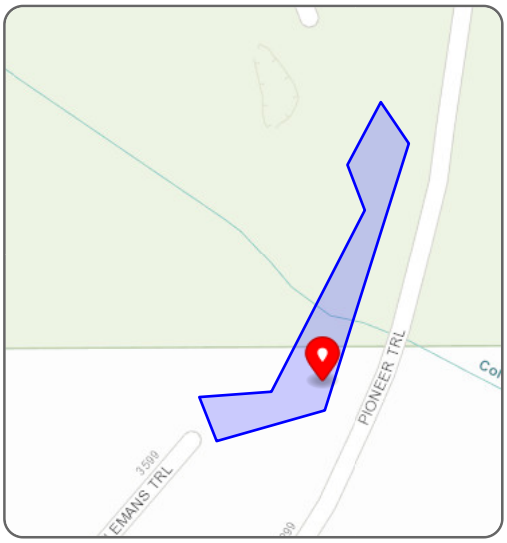
Key Accomplishments

Accomplishments to be provided upon completion of project

Threshold Categories

- Water Quality

Location



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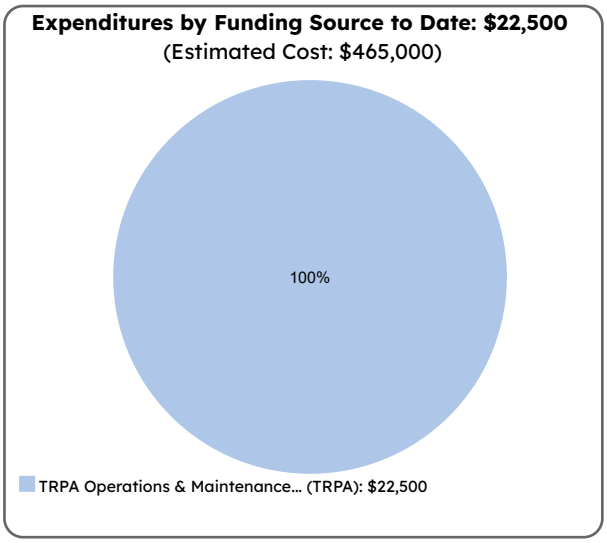

Photos

Before

2001 - After construction looking south towards Cattlemans Court. Existing CSP Outlet structure is visible on left side of photo.

2003 - Looking south towards Cattlemans Court. Vegetation beginning to obscure CSP outlet.

During

disconnected pipe system from basin riser structure; new stabilized outlet

removed section of pipe, improved hydraulic efficiency; stabilized outlet channel

After

completed new pipe outlet

Learn more at restoretahoe.org

Project Fact Sheet Data as of 06/16/