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STAFF REPORT

Date: December 6, 2023

To: TRPA Governing Board

From: TRPA Staff

Subject: Authorize approval of the FY 2023-2024 State of Good Repair project lists for the Tahoe Transportation District (TTD) and Tahoe Truckee Area Regional Transit (TART) and authorize the allocation of FY 2023-2024 Transportation Development Act funding for TTD, TART, and TRPA

Summary and Staff Recommendation:

Staff recommends that the Governing Board adopt the attached resolutions:

- (Attachment A) a resolution approving the allocation of FY 2023-2024 Local Transportation Fund funds to the TRPA, TTD, and TART
- (Attachment B) a resolution approving the allocation of FY 2023-2024 State Transit Assistance funds to TTD and TART
- (Attachment C) a resolution approving the FY 2023-2024 State of Good Repair project lists submitted by the Tahoe-Truckee Area Regional Transit and Tahoe Transportation District
- (Attachment D) a resolution approving the allocation of FY 2023-2024 State of Good Repair funds to TTD and TART

Required Motions:

In order to adopt the proposed resolutions, the Board must make the following motion, based on this staff summary and the evidence in the record:

1. A motion to approve the proposed resolution (Attachment A)
2. A motion to approve the proposed resolution (Attachment B)
3. A motion to approve the proposed resolution (Attachment C)
4. A motion to approve the proposed resolution (Attachment D)

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

Project Description/Background:

As the designated Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) for the California portion of the Tahoe Region, TRPA has the responsibility for administering the funds that are provided by the Transportation Development Act (TDA). TDA provides three funding sources that are intended for the support and development of transportation services. These funds are the Local Transportation Fund (LTF), the State Transit Assistance (STA) fund, and the State of Good Repair (SGR) program.

Local Transportation Fund Allocations:

The LTF fund is derived from a ¼ cent sales tax collected statewide and then returned to each county to be used for transit operations, capital, and administration of the TDA program. As required by the TDA, the El Dorado County and Placer County Auditor Controller Offices have notified TRPA of the LTF funds apportioned for El Dorado County and Placer County within the Tahoe Region. Following priorities set by the TDA, TRPA receives an allocated LTF fund payment for its costs of administering the program and for transportation planning activities. These costs are prorated to both El Dorado County and Placer County. After these funds are withheld, the remaining monies are available to qualified transit operators in El Dorado County and Placer County in the Tahoe Region. As a practice, these remaining LTF funds are programmed 100 percent to provide public transit services.

FY 2023-2024 LTF funds allocated to the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency for TDA administration and planning (\$75,000), is prorated as follows:

FY 2023-2024 LTF ADMIN & PROGRAM FUNDING	
• TDA ADMINISTRATION ALLOCATIONS	
El Dorado County 66%	\$26,500
Placer County 34%	\$13,500
Administration total:	\$40,000
• PLANNING & PROGRAMMING ALLOCATIONS	
El Dorado County 66%	\$23,100
Placer County 34%	\$11,900
Planning & Programming total:	\$35,000
TOTAL LTF ALLOCATION TO TRPA:	\$ 75,000

After administration and planning costs, there is an estimated \$1,249,601 of LTF funding available for use within the El Dorado County portion of the Tahoe Region and an estimated \$645,022 of LTF funding available for use within the Placer County portion of the Tahoe Region. Additional LTF fund administrative fees are separately withheld by El Dorado and Placer Counties. The following shows the Local Transportation Fund allocation estimates to TRPA, TTD, and TART for FY 2023-24 and is presented in Attachment A:

FY 2023-2024 LTF to TRPA:	\$ 75,000
FY 2023-2024 LTF to El Dorado County TTD:	\$1,249,601
FY 2023-2024 LTF to Placer County TART:	\$ 645,022
TOTAL LTF Available	<u>\$1,969,623</u>

State Transit Assistance Allocations:

The STA fund was created under Chapter 161 of the Statutes of 1979 (SB 620) and provides a second source of TDA funding for transportation planning and mass transportation purposes, which is derived from the statewide sales tax on diesel fuel. The money is appropriated to the Controller by the Legislature, to be allocated by formula to each RTPA. The formula allocates 50 percent of STA funds according to population, and the remaining 50 percent is allocated according to prior year operator revenues.

On August 1, 2023, the California State Controller's Office notified TRPA that the final estimated available allocation totals \$1,410,618. TRPA staff determined the following eligibility and notified each operator of their estimated STA allocation.

FY 2023-2024 estimated STA fund allocations are shown below and are included in Attachment B:

TART - Placer County (99313) (45.72%)	\$ 610,118
TTD- El Dorado County (99313) (54.28%)	<u>\$ 724,380</u>
	\$1,334,498
TTD – El Dorado County (99314) (Direct Allocation)	<u>\$ 76,120</u>
	\$1,410,618
TART's Final Estimated FY24 STA Allocation (99313)	\$ 610,118
TTD's Final Estimated FY24 STA Allocation (99313 & 99314)	<u>\$ 800,500</u>
	\$1,410,618

State of Good Repair Allocations:

The Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017, Senate Bill (SB) 1 (Chapter 5, Statutes of 2017), was signed by the Governor of California on April 28, 2017. SB1 includes a program that provides additional revenues for transit infrastructure repair and service improvements and is referred to as the State of Good Repair (SGR) program. This program provides funding of approximately \$105 million annually to the SGR program. These funds are to be made available for eligible transit maintenance, rehabilitation, and capital projects.

On August 1, 2023, the California State Controller's Office notified TRPA that the final estimated FY 2023-2024 SGR allocation totals \$183,926. TRPA staff determined the following eligibility and notified each operator of their estimated SGR allocation.

FY 2023-2024 estimated SGR fund allocations are shown below and are included in Attachment D:

TART - Placer County (99313) (45.72%)	\$ 79,551
TTD- El Dorado County (99313) (54.28%)	<u>\$104,375</u>
	\$174,001
TTD – El Dorado County (99314) (Direct Allocation)	<u>\$ 9,925</u>
	\$183,926
TART's Final Estimated FY24 SGR Allocation (99313)	\$ 79,551
TTD's Final Estimated FY24 SGR Allocation (99313 & 99314)	<u>\$104,375</u>
	\$183,926

Placer County's (TART) allocation of \$79,551 will go towards the purchase of a 40' low floor replacement bus and El Dorado County's (TTD) total allocation of \$104,375 will be used for rolling stock maintenance and rehabilitation, as shown in the project list table below and outlined for approval in the resolution in Attachment C.

	Tahoe Transportation District	Tahoe Truckee Area Regional Transit
Title	FY 23-24 Rolling Stock Maintenance and Rehabilitation	FY 23-24 40' Low Floor Replacement Bus
Description	These funds will be used for preventative maintenance activities	These funds will be used to support the purchase of a 40' low floor replacement bus.
Asset Type	Rolling Stock/Fleet	Rolling Stock/Fleet
Project Category	Maintenance	Fleet Replacement
Est. Useful Life	5	12
Est. Project Start Date	7/1/2023	7/1/2023
Est. Project Completion Date	6/30/2024	6/30/2024
Est. 99313 Costs	\$94,450	\$79,551
Est. 99314 Costs	\$9,925	\$0

Review and Approvals:

TTD and Placer County have each submitted a claim package to TRPA to formally request TDA funding. TRPA staff has reviewed the claim packets and found them to be consistent with the TDA rules and regulations, and also consistent with the goals and policies of the Regional Transportation Plan. Additionally, the Transportation Development Act findings of Subsection 6754(a) and (b) have been made as identified in the resolution in Attachment C. TTD and Placer County's claims will each be forwarded to the County Auditor Controller's Office for release of funds once the allocation is approved. Submitted claim packets can be viewed on TRPA's website:

- TTD FY24 Claim Packet: <https://www.trpa.gov/wp-content/uploads/FY24-Final-Claim-Packet-executed.pdf>
- TART FY24 Claim Packet: <https://www.trpa.gov/wp-content/uploads/TRPA-TDA-Claim-Packet-Complete-2324.pdf>

Regional Plan Compliance:

The proposed allocations of funds comply with all requirements of the State of California TDA rules and regulations, and the objectives of the TRPA Regional Plan.

Contact Information:

For questions regarding this agenda item, please contact Kira Richardson, Senior Transportation Planner, at (775) 589-5236 or ksmith@trpa.gov.

To submit a written public comment, email publiccomment@trpa.gov with the appropriate agenda item in the subject line. Written comments received by 4 p.m. the day before a scheduled public meeting will be distributed and posted to the TRPA website before the meeting begins. TRPA does not guarantee written comments received after 4 p.m. the day before a meeting will be distributed and posted in time for the meeting.

Attachments:

- A. Resolution to Approve LTF Funding
- B. Resolution to Approve STA Funding
- C. Resolution to Approve SGR Project Lists
- D. Resolution to Approve SGR Funding

Attachment A
Resolution to Approve LTF Funding

TAHOE REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCY
TRPA RESOLUTION NO. 2023 - _____

A RESOLUTION ALLOCATING FY 2023-2024 LOCAL TRANSPORTATION FUNDS OF \$75,000
TO THE TAHOE REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCY FOR ADMINISTRATION AND PLANNING OF THE
TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT PROGRAM, \$1,249,601 TO THE TAHOE TRANSPORTATION
DISTRICT FOR TRANSIT OPERATIONS, AND \$645,022 TO PLACER COUNTY FOR TRANSIT OPERATIONS

WHEREAS, the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency (TRPA) was designated by the State of California as the Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) for the Tahoe Region; and

WHEREAS, as the RTPA, TRPA has the responsibility for allocating the Local Transportation Funds (LTF) for the Tahoe Region; and

WHEREAS, the FY 2023-2024 Local Transportation Funds available for allocation within the El Dorado and Placer County portions of the Tahoe Region is \$2,709,633; and

WHEREAS, TRPA is eligible to receive LTF funds to cover the cost of administering the Transportation Development Act (TDA) program and for the transportation planning purposes and is hereby requesting the release of \$75,000 in LTF to cover such costs; and

WHEREAS, TRPA has received a claim from the Tahoe Transportation District (TTD) for the allocation of \$1,249,601, and any prior year revenue overages, plus interest, for transit operating assistance to the Tahoe Transportation District (TTD) system within the El Dorado County area of the Tahoe Region; and

WHEREAS, TRPA has received a claim from the Placer County for the allocation of \$645,022, and any prior year revenue overages, plus interest, for transit operating assistance to the Tahoe Truckee Area Regional Transit (TART) system within the Placer County area of the Tahoe Region; and

WHEREAS, the claims received by TTD and Placer County were reviewed and found to be consistent with the Transportation Development Act Rules and Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the proposed use of the funds by TRPA, TTD, and Placer County is consistent with the Transportation Development Act Rules and Regulations and with the TRPA Regional Transportation Plan Goals and Policies

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Board of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency authorizes the release of the FY 2023-2024 Local Transportation Funds in the amount of \$75,000 to the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency for administration and planning of the TDA program, \$1,249,601, and any prior year revenue overages, plus interest, to the Tahoe Transportation District for transit operations, and \$645,022, and any prior year revenue overages, plus interest, to Placer County for transit operations.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Board of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency at its regular meeting held on December 13, 2023, by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Absent:

Cindy Gustafson, Chair
Tahoe Regional Planning Agency
Governing Board

Attachment B
Resolution to Approve STA Funding

TAHOE REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCY
TRPA RESOLUTION NO. 2023 - _____

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ALLOCATION OF FY 2023-2024 STATE TRANSIT ASSISTANCE FUNDS OF \$800,500 TO TAHOE TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT FOR TRANSIT OPERATIONS AND \$610,118 TO PLACER COUNTY FOR TRANSIT OPERATIONS

WHEREAS, the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency (TRPA) is designated by the State of California as the Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) for the California portion of the Tahoe Region, and is responsible for allocating State Transit Assistance (STA) for the Tahoe Region; and

WHEREAS, the STA fund is a discretionary fund and may be allocated at the discretion of the Regional Transportation Planning Agency for public transportation purposes; and

WHEREAS, there are STA funds in the amount of \$1,410,618 available to eligible claimants in the Tahoe Region for FY 2023-2024; and

WHEREAS, TRPA has received a claim for STA funds from Tahoe Transportation District for \$800,500, and any prior year revenue overages, plus interest, to provide transit services through the El Dorado County area of the Tahoe Region; and

WHEREAS, TRPA has received a claim for STA funds from Placer County for \$610,118, and any prior year revenue overages, plus interest, to provide transit services through the Placer County area of the Tahoe Region; and

WHEREAS, the required findings of the Transportation Development Act Rules and Regulations Article 5, Section 6754 are made as follows:

Subsection 6754 (a):

1. The claimant's proposed expenditures are in conformance with the Regional Transportation Plan
2. The level of passenger fares and applied local funds is sufficient to enable the transit claimant to meet the fare revenue requirements applicable to the claimant
3. The claimant is making full use of federal funds available under Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended
4. The sum of the claimant's allocations from Local Transportation Funds and STA funds does not exceed the amount the claimant is eligible to receive during the fiscal year
5. Priority consideration was given to claims to offset reductions in federal operating assistance and unanticipated increased costs for fuel, to enhance existing public transportation services, and to meet high priority regional public transportation needs

Subsection 6754(b):

1. The operator has made a reasonable effort to implement any recommended productivity improvements

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2. The operator has submitted certification that the claimant is in compliance with Section 1808.1 of the Vehicle Code
3. The operator is in compliance with the eligibility requirements of Public Utilities Code section 99314.6 or 99314.7

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Board of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency authorizes the release of FY 2023-2024 STA funds in the estimated amount of \$800,500, and any prior year revenue overages, plus interest, to the Tahoe Transportation District and \$610,118, and any prior year revenue overages, plus interest, to Placer County along with interest earned to be allocated based upon the total most current FY 2023-2024 board approved estimated amounts for these operators to provide transit operating assistance in the Tahoe Region.

PASSED and ADOPTED by the Governing Board of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency this 13th day of December, 2023, by the following vote:

Ayes:
Nays:
Absent:

Cindy Gustafson, Chair
Tahoe Regional Planning Agency
Governing Board

Attachment C
Resolution to Approve SGR Project Lists

TAHOE REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCY
TRPA RESOLUTION NO. 2023 - _____

APPROVAL OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 PROJECT LIST TO BE FUNDED BY THE CALIFORNIA STATE OF
GOOD REPAIR PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency (TRPA) is designated by the State of California as the Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) for the California portion of the Tahoe Region and is an eligible project sponsor and so may receive State Transit Assistance funding from the State of Good Repair Account (SGR) now or sometime in the future for transit projects; and

WHEREAS, the statutes related to state-funded transit projects require a local or regional implementing agency to abide by various regulations; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 1 (2017) named the Department of Transportation (Department) as the administrative agency for the SGR; and Whereas, the Department has developed guidelines for administering and distributing SGR funds to eligible project sponsors (local agencies); and

WHEREAS, the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency has received project lists from Tahoe-Truckee Area Regional Transit and Tahoe Transportation District that meet the criteria outlined in Senate Bill 1 (2017); and

WHEREAS, the proposed projects meet the criteria outlined in Senate Bill 1 (2017); and

WHEREAS, the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency concurs with and approves the project lists for the State of Good Repair Program funds; and

WHEREAS, the State of California requires the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency to obtain Governing Board approval for projects submitted for funding under the California State of Good Repair Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency Governing Board hereby approves the SB1 State of Good Repair Project List shown in the staff report for FY 2023-24; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency, that the fund recipient agrees to comply with all conditions and requirements set forth in the Certification and Assurances document and applicable statutes, regulations and guidelines for all SGR funded transit capital projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Julie Regan, Executive Director, or her designee, is hereby authorized to submit a request for Scheduled Allocation of the SB1 State of Good Repair funds and to execute the related grant applications, forms and agreements.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Board of Tahoe Regional Planning Agency at its regular meeting held on December 13, 2023, by the following vote:

Ayes:
Nays:
Absent:

Cindy Gustafson, Chair
Tahoe Regional Planning Agency
Governing Board

Attachment D
Resolution to Approve SGR Funding

TAHOE REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCY
TRPA RESOLUTION NO. 2023 - _____

A RESOLUTION ALLOCATING FY 2023-2024 FUNDING FROM THE STATE OF GOOD REPAIR ACCOUNT (SGR) FOR \$104,375 TO THE TAHOE TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT FOR ROLLING STOCK AND FLEET REHABILITATION AND \$79,551 TO PLACER COUNTY FOR THE PURCHASE OF A 40' LOW FLOOR REPLACEMENT BUS

WHEREAS, the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency (TRPA) was designated by the State of California as the Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) for the Lake Tahoe Region; and

WHEREAS, the RTPA is responsible for allocating the State Transit Assistance funding from the State of Good Repair Account Fund (SGR) for the Tahoe Region; and

WHEREAS, there are SGR funds in the amount of \$183,926 available to eligible claimants in the Tahoe Region for FY 2023-2024; and

WHEREAS, TRPA has received a claim from Tahoe Transportation District for the allocation of SGR funds in the amount of \$104,375, and any prior year revenue overages, plus interest, for a rolling stock maintenance and fleet rehabilitation; and

WHEREAS, TRPA has received a claim from Placer County for the allocation of SGR funds in the amount of \$79,551, and any prior year revenue overages, plus interest, to support the purchase of a 40' low floor replacement bus; and

WHEREAS, the claims submitted by the Tahoe Transportation District and Placer County were reviewed and found to be consistent with the Transportation Development Act Rules and Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the provision of public transit operations by the Tahoe Transportation District and Placer County are consistent with TRPA Regional Transportation Plan Goals and Policies.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Board of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency authorizes the release of FY 2023-2024 State of Good Repair funds in the amount of \$104,375, and any prior year revenue overages, plus interest, to the Tahoe Transportation District and \$79,551, and any prior year revenue overages, plus interest, to Placer County along with interest earned to be allocated based upon the total most current FY 2023-2024 board approved estimated amounts to the transit operators to support transit operations and maintenance in the Tahoe Basin.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Board of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency at its regular meeting held on December 13, 2023, by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Absent:

Cindy Gustafson, Chair
Tahoe Regional Planning Agency
Governing Board