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## STAFF REPORT

Date: April 17, 2019

To: TRPA Governing Board

From: TRPA Staff

Subject: Approval of Allocation for Additional FY 2017-2018 State Transit Assistance Funds of \$44,770

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### Summary and Staff Recommendation:

Tahoe Regional Planning Agency (TRPA) Governing Board adoption of the attached resolution approving the release of additional FY 2017-2018 State Transit Assistance funds in the amount of \$44,770. These funds are to be distributed as follows: to the Tahoe Transportation District (TTD) in the amount of \$31,422 for transit operations in the El Dorado County portion of the Tahoe Region and to Placer County in the amount of \$13,348, for Transit Operations in the Placer County Portion of the Tahoe Region.

Staff recommends Governing Board adopt the attached resolution (Attachment A) approving the allocation of the additional funds for FY 2017-2018 STA to the TTD and to Placer County.

### Required Motion:

In order to approve the proposed resolution, the Board must make the following motion, based on the staff summary:

- 1) A motion to approve the proposed resolution as shown in Attachment A

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

### Background:

TRPA is designated by the State of California as the Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) for the California portion of the Tahoe Region. Under this designation, TRPA is responsible for the administration of the Transportation Development Act (TDA) funds that are made available to support public transportation services. The TDA legislation provides two funding sources: the Local Transportation Fund (LTF) and the State Transit Assistance (STA) fund.

The STA fund was created under Chapter 161 of the Statutes of 1979 (SB 620) and has been revised over the years. The fund 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 the funds according to population and the remaining 50 percent are allocated according to operator revenues from the prior year. STA allocations are deposited in each RTPA's state transit assistance fund.

On October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017, TRPA received the final estimate for 2017-2018 STA funds sent by the California State Controller’s Office (SCO), in the amount of \$671,367. From this total, TRPA determined STA funds available for use in the El Dorado County portion of the Tahoe Region and submitted a request for funding in the amount of \$471,165 on their behalf. The remaining fund allocation of \$200,202 was requested to be paid to Placer County for transit operations in the Placer County portion of the Tahoe Region.

<b>Transit Operator</b>	Jan 2017 Population	Standard %	Total STA Allocation [99313]	Direct Allocations [99314]	<b>Grand Total</b>
<b>Placer County - TART</b>	10,813	33.02%	<b>\$200,202</b>	\$ -	<b>\$200,202</b>
<b>Tahoe Transportation District (El Do Cty)</b>	30,430	66.98%	<b>\$406,102</b>	<b>\$ 65,063</b>	<b>\$ 471,165</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>41,243</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$606,304</b>	<b>\$ 65,063</b>	<b>\$ 671,367</b>

On March 12, 2019, TRPA was notified by El Dorado County Auditor-Controller’s Office that El Dorado County had received \$716,137 from the State of California for the 2017-2018 STA Fund. The surplus funds amount to \$44,770, which is comprised of \$40,425 from the 99313 fund and \$4,345 from the 99314 allocation. From this total, TRPA determined that the STA funds available for use in the El Dorado County portion of the Tahoe Region are \$31,422. The remaining funds of \$13,348 are available to be funded to Placer County for transit operations in the Placer County portion of the Tahoe Region.

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<b>Tahoe Transportation District (El Do Cty)</b>	30,430	66.98%	<b>\$27,077</b>	<b>\$ 4,345</b>	<b>\$ 31,422</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>41,243</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$40,425</b>	<b>\$ 4,345</b>	<b>\$ 44,770</b>

El Dorado County requires TRPA Governing Board approval to distribute the additional funds, along with any accrued interest, to the operators.

Regional Plan Compliance: The proposed allocation of funds complies with all requirements of the State of California TDA rules and regulations and will help to further the objectives of the TRPA Regional Plan Goals and Policies.

Contact Information:

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Attachment:

A. Resolution

Attachment A  
Resolution

TAHOE REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCY  
TRPA RESOLUTION NO. 2019 -

A RESOLUTION APPROVING ALLOCATION OF ADDITIONAL AVAILABLE STATE TRANSIT ASSISTANCE  
FUNDING FOR FY 2017-2018 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$44,770

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 additional FY 2017-2018 STA funds in the amount of \$44,770 available to eligible claimants in the Tahoe Region for; and

WHEREAS, TRPA received a claim for STA funds based on the original final estimate, from the Tahoe Transportation District for \$471,165 to provide transit services through the South Shore transit system in the El Dorado County area of the Tahoe Region; and

WHEREAS, TRPA will request El Dorado County to fund the additional allocation of actual available funds in the amount of \$31,422, plus interest to be distributed to the Tahoe Transportation District; and

WHEREAS, TRPA received a claim for STA funds based on the original final estimate, from Placer County for \$200,202 to provide transit services in the Placer County area of the Tahoe Region; and

WHEREAS, TRPA will request El Dorado County to fund the additional allocation of actual available funds in the amount of \$13,348, plus interest to be distributed to Placer County; and

WHEREAS, the required findings of the Transportation Development Act Rules and Regulations Article 5, Section 6754 have been 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.
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 2017-2018 STA funds in the amount of \$31,422, plus interest, to the Tahoe Transportation District to provide transit operating assistance in the El Dorado County portion of the Tahoe Region and \$13,348, plus interest, to Placer County to provide transit operating assistance in the Placer County portion of the Tahoe Region .

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Board of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency this 24th day of April 2019, by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Absent:

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William Yeates, Chair  
Tahoe Regional Planning Agency  
Governing Board