



STAFF REPORT

Date: July 15, 2020
To: TRPA Governing Board
From: TRPA Staff
Subject: Release of City of South Lake Tahoe Air Quality Mitigation Funds (\$35,000) for complete reconstruction of a deteriorated bike trail on the Emerald Bay Road corridor

Summary and Staff Recommendation:

Staff recommends that the Governing Board approve the City of South Lake Tahoe’s request, subject to the conditions cited below. The request is consistent with the Environmental Improvement Program and Regional Transportation Plan objectives, Chapter 65 of the TRPA Code of Ordinances, 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.

Table 1 Proposed Funding Release			
EIP #	PROJECT	Fund	Amount
TBD	Emerald Bay McDonald’s Bike Trail	AQ	\$35,000.00
03.01.01.0022	Total Funding Requested		\$35,000.00

Background:

The City of South Lake Tahoe acquired a Class 1 bike trail easement from the McDonald’s corporation, when the original restaurant was constructed in 1982. The easement agreement requires that the City maintain and reconstruct the bike trail as necessary. The agreement also states that the bike trail easement may be subject to a quitclaim action to remove the easement from the property title if the City abandons the bike trail. In the interest of sustaining the bike trail easement, the City intends to reconstruct the decomposed pavement section along the frontage of the Emerald Bay Road McDonald’s restaurant.

The remaining bike trail, along the northerly and easterly side of the restaurant will reconstructed as a part of the Tahoe Valley Stormwater and Greenbelt Project (currently in the design phase).

The unencumbered account balance for the Air Quality fund for the City of South Lake Tahoe as of July 2, 2020 is \$489,669.24, 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 City 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 City agrees to follow all laws, codes, and regulations adopted by federal, state, and local authorities/agencies.
4. The City agrees to maintain a report detailing the use and expenditures 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 City agrees to request from TRPA a final inspection no later than 30 days after completion of the project.
7. TRPA approved signage shall be used on all projects during construction to identify TRPA as a funding source and shall include the EIP logo.
8. The City agrees to report the applicable EIP Performance Measures achieved by this project.

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 Kimberly Caringer, Division Manager, Environmental Improvement Program at kcaringer@trpa.org or by phone at (775) 589-5263.

Attachment:

- A. EIP Project Fact Sheet

Attachment A
EIP Project Fact Sheet



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