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STAFF REPORT

Date: June 17, 2020

To: Environmental Improvement Program, Transportation, and Public Outreach Committee

From: TRPA Staff

Subject: 2020 Regional Transportation Plan Update

Staff Recommendation:

This item is for informational purposes and no action is required.

Project Background:

The Environmental Improvement Program, Transportation, and Public Outreach Committee is the designated steering committee for the development of the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). Staff presented, to the committee, a progress report on focused transit improvements for the RTP in February. This update includes an overview of public outreach to date, draft goals and policies, and project list development including implementation activities in response to identified Bi-State consultation priorities.

Public Outreach Update:

TRPA conducted a successful transition to virtual public involvement for public outreach and solicitation of feedback on the elements of the Regional Transportation Plan. Over the past few months, transportation staff has conducted live webinars covering transit, trails, technology and communities. All of the webinars are posted on the 2020 RTP webpage and have utilized social media to promote and drive viewers to the webinars, including specific efforts to engage disadvantaged communities in the region. To date we have over 2,383 views. Compared to prior RTP updates, the virtual platform has allowed a dramatic increase in individuals reached. During the live sessions with 483 participants, comments were received, a response was provided, and they were noted for the development of the plan. The final webinar in the series focused on 'collaboration and implementation' to help bridge the gap in understanding between planning and implementation. This included implementors and other partners on a panel to discuss opportunities and challenges to implementation. RTP outreach is continuing and we are actively engaging in more conversations with stakeholders, including our underserved communities. This will include future engagement that is not online.

<u>Transportation Goals and Policies Highlights:</u>

A guiding element of the RTP is the Goals and Policies section that establishes policy direction for the transportation program. As stated previously, the goals remain sound and no changes to them are proposed. The supporting policies are being updated for clarity, reinforcing their purpose, and also to reflect current issues. For example, the policy to facilitate and promote the use of zero emission transit, fleet, and passenger vehicles is revised to include "through implementation of the Tahoe-Truckee Plugin Electric Vehicle Readiness Plan..." to reflect current planning and reinforce the region's vision for a

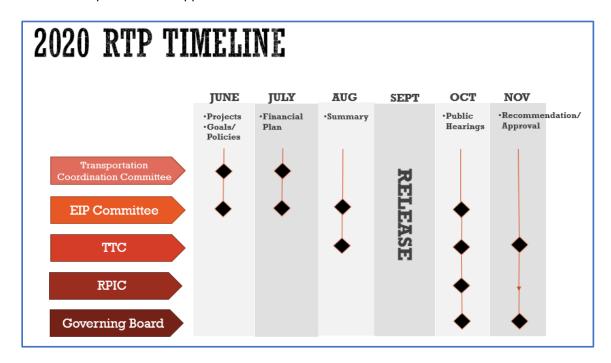
cleaner transportation system. New policies recognize Corridor Planning is evolving, and reinforce their multimodal strategies including a heavier focus on equity and sustainable recreation access. For example, new policies:

- Reference Human Services Plan ensuring the most vulnerable are served with transit.
- Include micro mobility and dynamic shuttles to represent evolution in the transportation sector.
- Include parking and parking management, recognizing that transformative projects, such as the South Shore Community Revitalization Plan and on the East Short, are advancing the approach to parking in the basin.

The draft goals and policies are being circulated internally and to key partners to get initial feedback.

RTP Project List Highlights: The RTP includes a list of proposed projects covering the entire 25- year planning horizon that will be eligible for federal and state transportation funding. The draft project list has been compiled over the last few months in coordination with implementation partners including the Bi-State Planning Committee. The projects will continue to be categorized into Communities, Transit, Trails, Technology, and Operations and Maintenance. The draft list is complete and being compared to forecasted revenues. It will be circulated to key partners and stakeholders for initial feedback.

The timeline below includes the proposed project list and forecasted revenues comprising the financial plan of the RTP to be presented to this committee over the next two months leading up to document release in September and approvals in November.



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