Shoreline Plan

EIS Alternatives

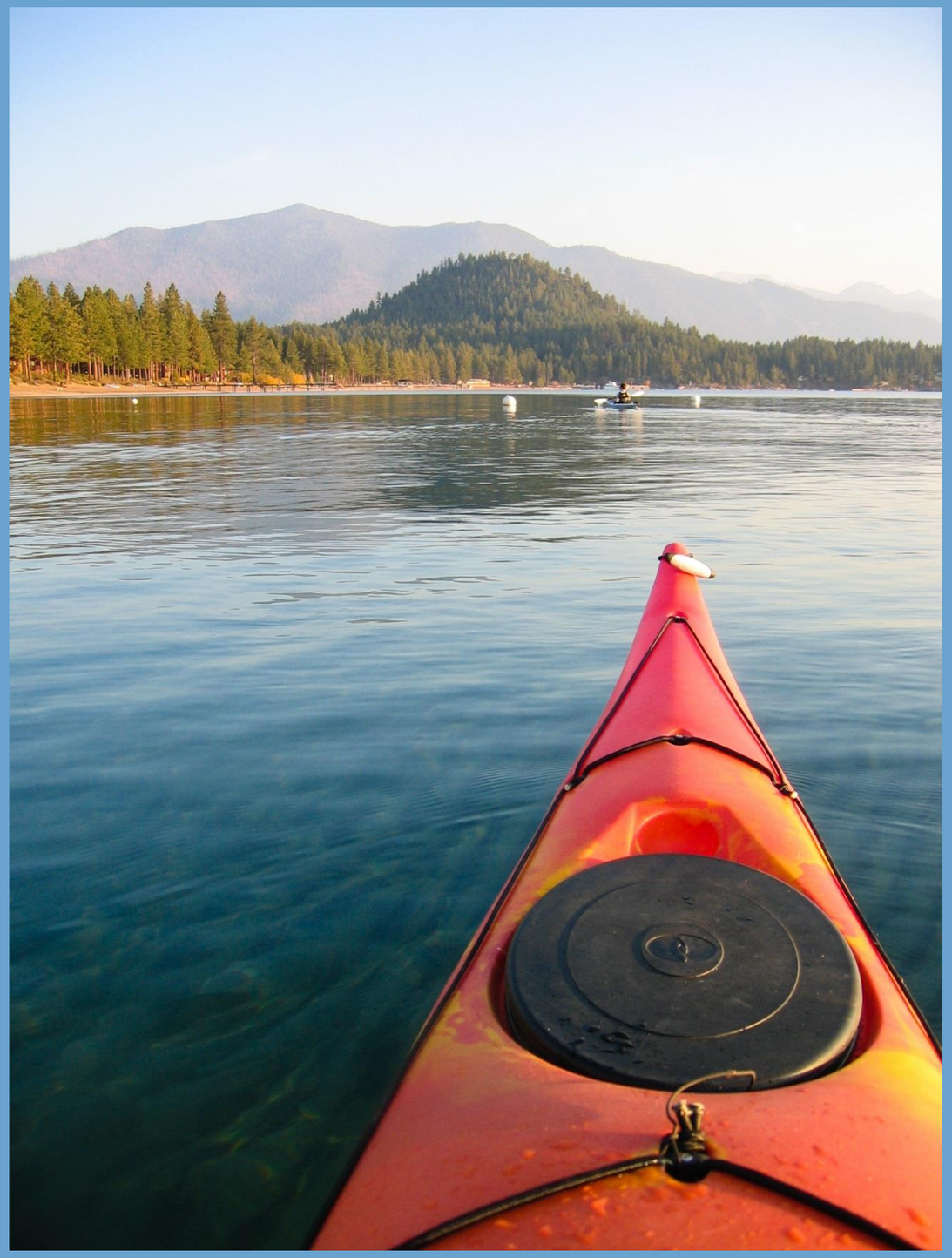
Regional Plan Implementation Committee

September 27, 2017

Working to Enhance + Protect 72 Miles of
Lake Tahoe's Shoreline

EIS Scoping Summary

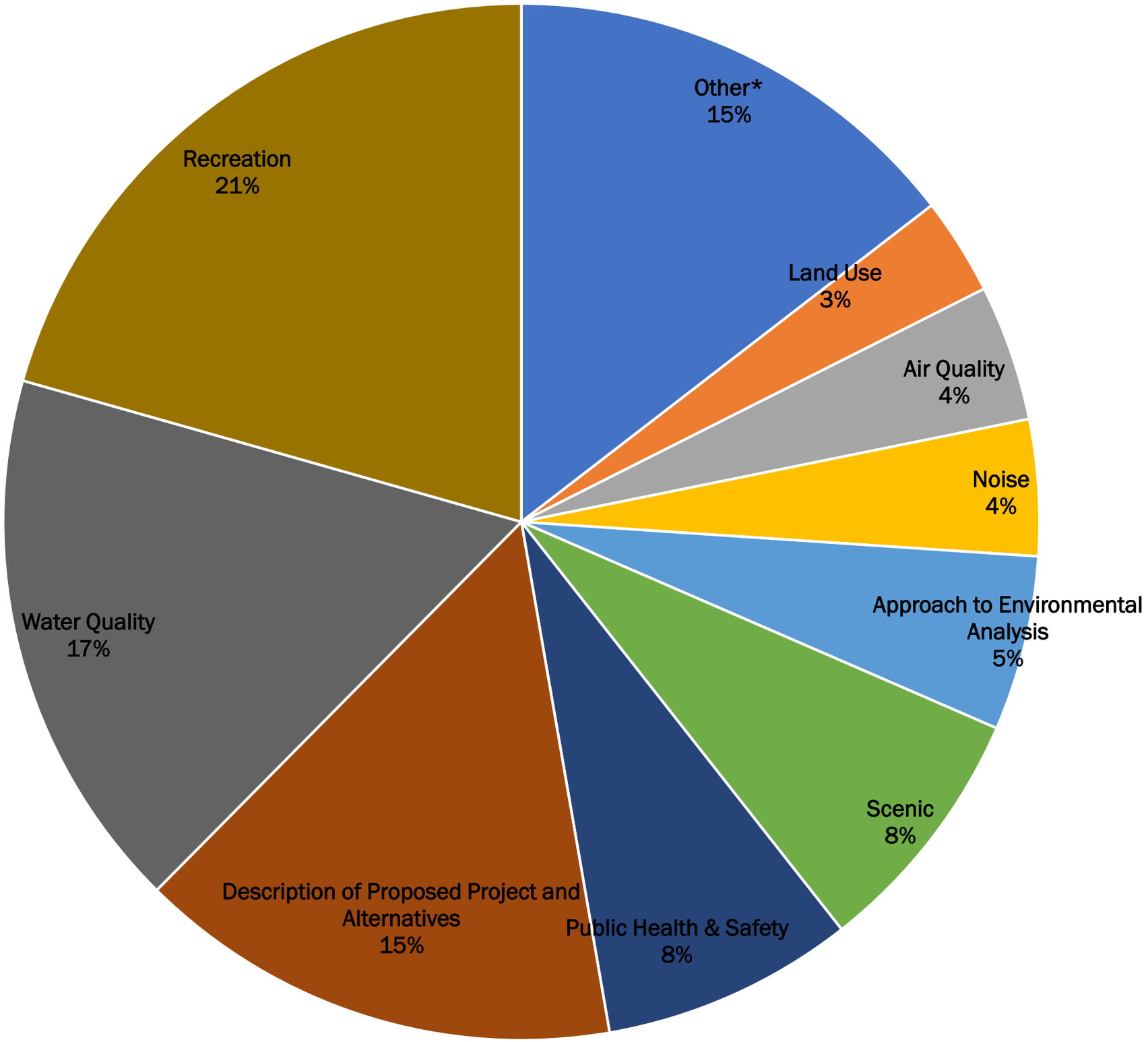
- 30 + Comments Received
- Scoping Summary Report
- Incorporated into EIS Alternatives



Agency and Organization Comments

- CA Dept of Parks and Recreation
- CA State Lands Commission
- CA Attorney General
- Washoe County Health District
- North Tahoe Preservation Alliance
- Tahoe Water Suppliers Association
- CA Tahoe Conservancy
- Lakeridge General Improvement District
- Sierra Club
- Friends of the West Shore
- League to Save Lake Tahoe
- Tahoe Lakefront Owner's Association

Scoping Comments by Category



* Other includes: Transportation, Economics, Fisheries, Soils, Vegetation, Climate Change, Cultural, Wildlife, Growth Inducement and Cumulative Impacts,

Conceptual EIS Alternatives

Alt. 1 - Shoreline Plan (Preferred Alternative)

Alt. 2 - Existing TRPA Shorezone Regulations (No Project)

Alt. 3 – Prioritize Access Development

Alt. 4 – Limit New Development

Alt. 5 – Expand Public Access and Reduce Existing Development

Alternative 1 – Shoreline Plan (Preferred Alternative)

Goal: Enhance the recreational experience along Lake Tahoe's shores while protecting the environment and responsibly planning for the future.

Organizing Principles:

- ✧ Protect and Where Possible Enhance the Environment
- ✧ Fair and Reasonable System of Access
- ✧ Adapt to Changing Lake Levels
- ✧ Preserve Quality Recreation and Public Safety
- ✧ Implement Predictable and Consistent Rules

Alternative 1 – Shoreline Plan (Preferred Alternative)

Promote Access:

✧Incentivize environmental improvements at marinas

✧10 new public piers

✧Incentivizes multiple-use piers

✧2 new public ramps

✧No wake zone continued and expanded

✧Low lake level adaptation

Protect + Enhance the Environment:

✧Use best available science

✧Cap development potential

✧Go slow

✧Avoid or mitigate impacts

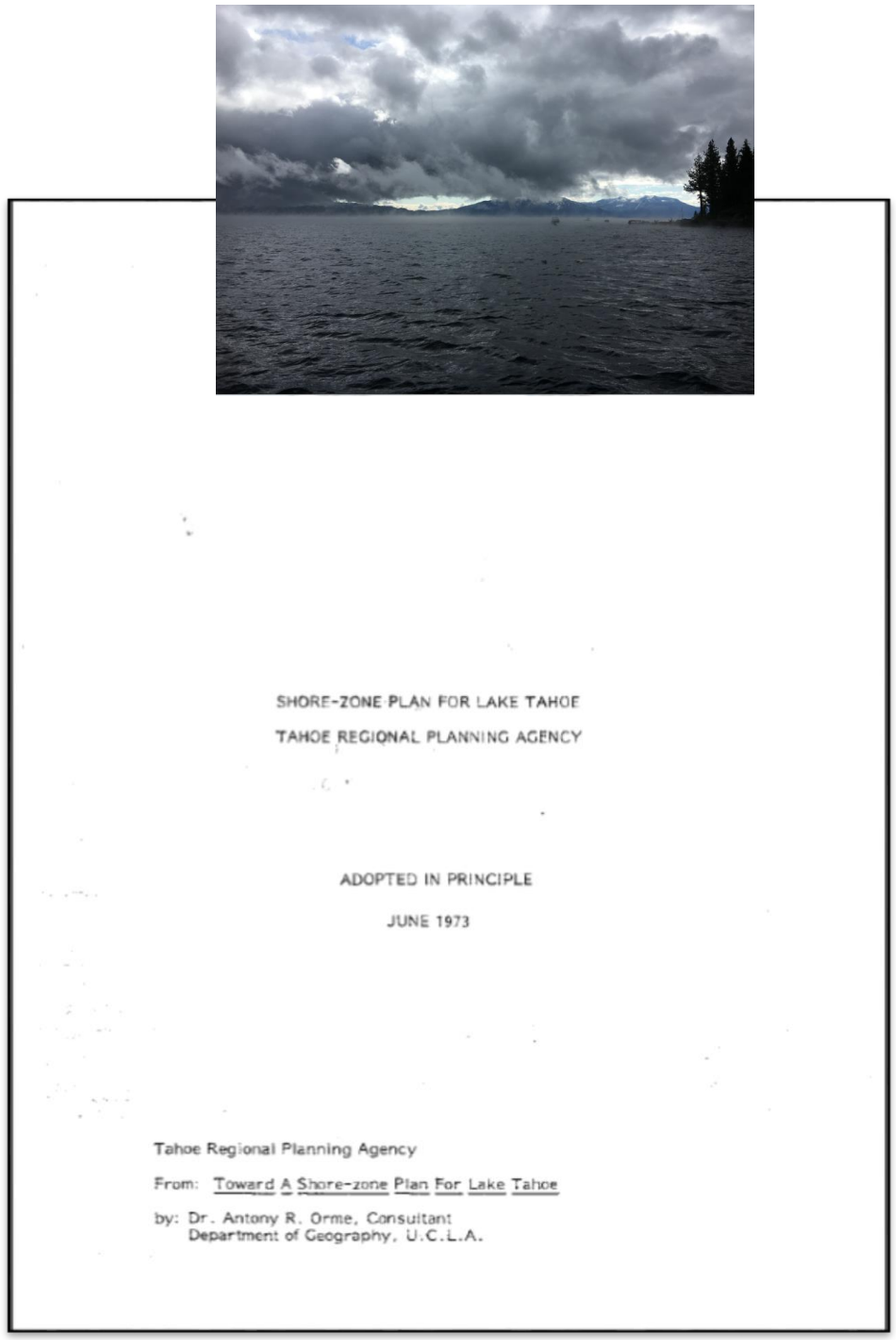
✧Drive scenic threshold attainment

✧Protect sensitive shoreline

✧Adaptive Resource Management

Alternative 2 – No Project

- ✧ Maintain existing shorezone regulations
- ✧ Maintain fish habitat prohibition
- ✧ Lift the Partial Permitting Program



SHORE-ZONE PLAN FOR LAKE TAHOE

TAHOE REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCY

ADOPTED IN PRINCIPLE

JUNE 1973

Tahoe Regional Planning Agency

From: Toward A Shore-zone Plan For Lake Tahoe

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Alternative 3 – Prioritize Access Development

Goal: To increase **opportunities for private and boater access recreation by increasing allowable shoreline structures.**

Highlights:

- ✧ Incentivize marina improvements
- ✧ Low lake level adaptation
- ✧ Lake wide new dredging
- ✧ More private piers and buoys
- ✧ Pier distribution by quadrant
- ✧ Faster allocation of pier permits
- ✧ More public ramps (6)

Alternative 4 – Limit New Development

Goal: To reduce the risk of environmental impacts by limiting new shoreline development.

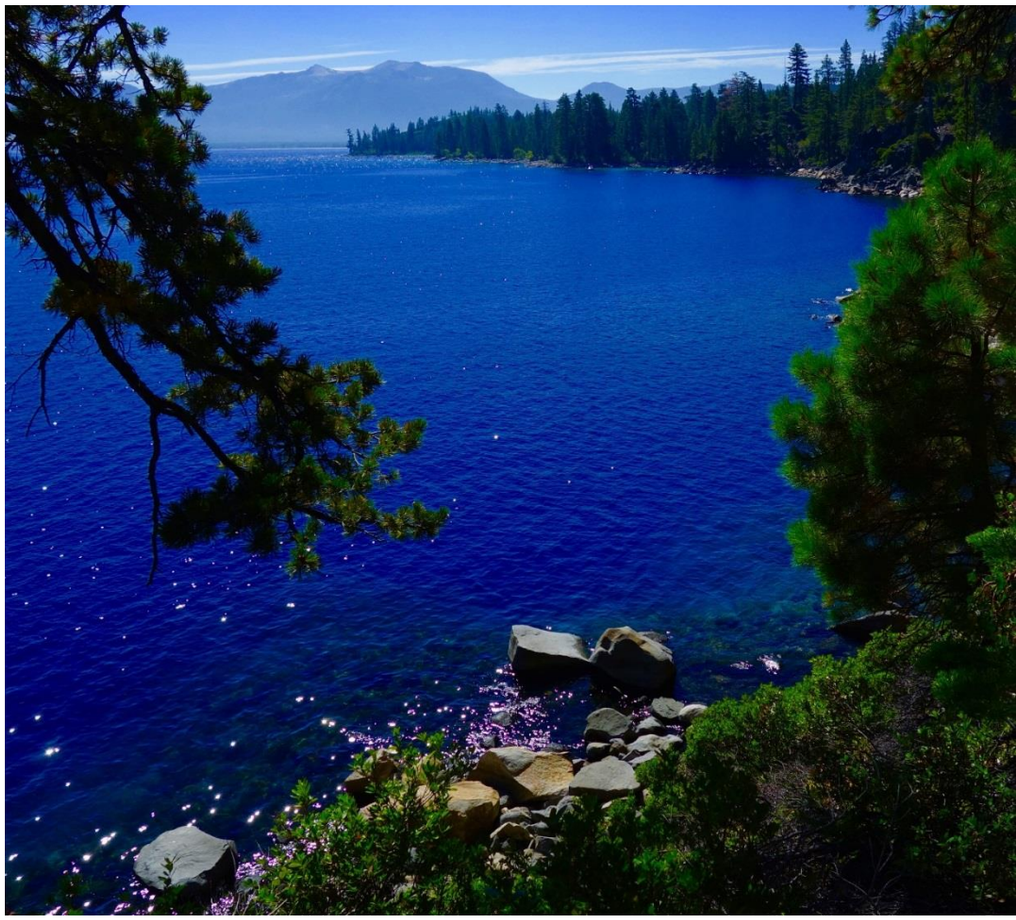
Highlights:

- ✧ Incentivize marina improvements
- ✧ Concentrate access as marinas and public facilities
- ✧ No new buoys or slips outside of marinas or public facilities
- ✧ Low lake level adaptation limited
- ✧ New dredging limited & must be linked to environmental improvements

Alternative 4 – Limit New Development

Highlights:

- ✧ 1 new public ramp
- ✧ 5 new public piers
- ✧ No new private single-use piers
- ✧ 86 private multiple-use piers
- ✧ Pier density criteria based on scenic sensitivity
- ✧ More restrictive pier design standards
- ✧ Non-motorized boating priority zones



Alternative 5 – Expand Public Access + Reduce Existing Development

Goal: To expand public access, reduce existing shoreline development, and increase restoration in order to minimize the risk of environmental harm.

Highlights:

- ✧ Mandate marina environmental improvements
- ✧ 15 new public piers
- ✧ No new private single-use piers or buoys
- ✧ New private multiple-use facilities & public ramps only allowed with a 2:1 reduction in existing development
- ✧ More restrictive pier design standards

Alternative 5 – Expand Public Access + Reduce Existing Development

Highlights:

- ✧ Expanded non-motorized boater priority zones (1,200’)
- ✧ Motorized boats + helicopter tours prohibited on Mondays

Lake Tahoe Water Trail

- Lake Tahoe Non-Motorized Boating Working Group + Framework
- 72-mile water trail
- 20 Trailheads + Signage
- Boating Safety + AIS Prevention Education

RPIC Endorsement of Range of Alternatives

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Plan Timeline + Process

Winter 2016

Assessment + Design

Spring-Summer 2016

Planning + Outreach + Data Collection

Fall 2016 Winter 2017

Community Workshops + Planning

Summer-Fall 2017

Environmental Review

Fall 2018

TRPA Adoption

Questions and Comments