

STAFF REPORT

TITLE: Replacement Reserve Fund Acceleration – Forestry/Downhill Shared-Use Toyota Tundra Pickup Truck

BOARD ACTION:

By Motion:

The Board of Directors approves the following:

- 1. Accelerate No. 127 Ford 2008 F450 Chipper Truck EE48526 Forestry Replacement Reserve Study component for \$66,698, from 2027 to 2024.
- **2.** Authorize the purchase of a 2025 Toyota Tundra SR5 Crew-Max at \$66,699, including tax, licensing, and 10% contingency.

BACKGROUND:

The No. 127 - Ford 2008 - F450 Chipper Truck was used by the Forestry Department for Tahoe Donner's Chipping/Defensible Space Program and hauling large and heavy equipment. Staff has determined replacement of Vehicle 127 with an identical vehicle is not necessary, due to the Truckee Fire Protection District taking over the chipping program encompassing Tahoe Donner.

As the Forestry Department has shifted its focus away from the chipping program and more towards fuel management, the need is for a smaller pickup truck that can carry, fuel, and transport crew up narrow dirt roads and haul smaller equipment. In addition, the downhill ski area requires a fuel cell pickup truck to fuel operational equipment such as groomers throughout the winter season.

This staff report recommends the Board of Directors consider approving the acceleration of the No.127 – Ford 08 – F450 Chipper Truck Replacement Reserve Study component to purchase a new Toyota Tundra for shared use between Forestry and Downhill and sell Vehicle 127 while it is still operational.

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS:

Staff procured estimates of pickup trucks that would meet the needs for both Forestry and Downhill Ski needs, the quotes are as follows:

- 2024 Ford F-150 4x4, Crew Cab, 6-foot bed Future Ford
 - o \$61,429.32 including registration and additional costs
- 2025 Toyota Tundra 4x4, Crew-Max, 8-foot bed Carson City Toyota
 - o \$60,698.75 including registration and additional costs

Additionally, internet vehicle pricing was considered.



In researching the Ford F-150 and Toyota Tundra and comparing the trucks to the needs of both Forestry and Downhill, staff recommends the Toyota Tundra.

Once purchased the new shared-use vehicle will take the place of Vehicle 127 on the Reserve Study with a reset useful life.

OUTREACH:

Not Applicable

FISCAL IMPACT:

Replacing Vehicle 127 was not included in the 2024 Replacement Reserve Fund Budget. The component is scheduled in 2027 for an estimated value of \$86,000.

The acceleration of this component will not impact the Replacement Reserve Fund as the available amount after acceleration is \$85,582 and is well within the purchase price of the new vehicle. Additionally, the profit from the sale of Vehicle 127 will be deposited back into the Replacement Reserve Fund.

RECOMMENDATION:

The recommended board action is as follows:

By Motion:

The Board of Directors approves the following:

- 1. Accelerate the No. 127 Ford 08 F450 Chipper Truck EE48526 Forestry Replacement Reserve Study component for \$66,698, from 2027 to \$85,582 in 2024.
- **2.** Authorize the purchase of a 2025 Toyota Tundra SR5 Crew-Max at \$60,698.75 for Forestry and Downhill Ski Area use.

Alternative(s) the Board may consider:

Direct staff to provide additional information and bring the proposed purchase for consideration at a future board meeting.

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Board of Directors Meeting: Friday, September 27, 2024