



STAFF REPORT: Town of Truckee Letter of Support – Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning Grants Program

BOARD ACTION:

By Motion:

The Board of Directors authorizes the General Manager to prepare a letter of support for the Town of Truckee’s grant application to the Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning Grants Program to fund the Town’s development of an Active Transportation Plan.

BACKGROUND:

The Town of Truckee is applying for a grant through the Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning Grants Program, which provides funding for local and regional multimodal transportation and land use planning projects that:

- Furthers the region’s sustainable communities strategy
- Contributes to the State’s GHG reduction targets
- Assists in achieving the Caltrans Mission to provide a safe, sustainable, integrated, and efficient transportation system to enhance California's economy and livability

Specifically, the grant application is to fund and develop an Active Transportation Plan (ATP), which will also integrate and include updates to the current Trails and Bikeways Master Plan. The ATP will guide continued development, focusing on filling gaps in the existing trail system and better connecting neighborhoods to the Downtown core and other activity centers without needing a vehicle. The Town believes the development of the ATP is a vital step towards reaching its goals of reducing traffic congestion while minimizing negative environmental impacts.

The Town would like to include letters of support to showcase community members' and stakeholders' interest in improving the active transportation network within Truckee and the surrounding area.

This staff report is prepared for the Board of Directors to consider authorizing the General Manager to prepare a letter of support for the Town’s grant application.

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS:

Tahoe Donner has offered letters of support for the Town of Truckee in seeking grant funds for alternative transportation and recreation. Examples include the grant applications for the microtransit program and the Trout Creek Class 1 trail.

Supporting the Town’s application for funding to develop an Active Transportation Plan is in alignment with and helps us achieve the following Tahoe Donner’s Strategic Plan goals:

- 5.2 (d) Improved internet service, utilities, and transportation are advocated for and influenced by the Association.



- 2.1(a) Opportunities for self-directed recreation are provided through an extensive system of well-maintained trails, bike paths, natural areas, and accessible open spaces.

OUTREACH:

Not applicable.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Not applicable.

RECOMMENDATION:

By Motion:

The Board of Directors authorizes the General Manager to prepare a letter of support for the Town of Truckee's ("Town") grant application to the Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning Grants Program to fund the Town's development of an Active Transportation Plan.

Alternative(s) the Board may consider:

The Board may choose not to support the Town's application.

ATTACHMENTS:

None

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Board of Directors Meeting: December 20, 2024