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Janet,

Can you please send this out as late material for tomorrow's meeting so it can be presented under "Board Reports"?

Thanks,

Brad

--- On Tue, 3/5/13, shelly Aldean <shelly@tristatecommercial.com> wrote:

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Good afternoon everyone. Following is a summary of what took place at the TRPA Governing Board meeting on February 27th and at the Board's retreat on the following day.

Staff reported on the Lake Tahoe Environmental Improvement Program and future funding

challenges. The EIP was launched in 1997 and is implemented through a partnership of federal, state, and local agencies, private interests and the Washoe Tribe. To date, \$1.5 billion has been spent on environmental improvement projects, 360 projects have been completed and many more are either in planning or under construction. To sustain the momentum, the Agency and its partners have developed an EIP funding strategy which includes advocating for the reauthorization of the Lake Tahoe Restoration Act, looking for future bonding opportunities in Nevada and California, achieving additional environmental gains through the implementation of local storm water master plans, the collection of mitigation money, and partnering with private nonprofits like the Tahoe Fund and with the private sector on projects of mutual benefit. Under the auspices of the new Regional Plan the objective is to improve and/or remake the historical land use patterns in the Basin through environmental redevelopment.

To facilitate the adoption of the Regional Plan Update in December of last year, it was decided to defer action on a number of important priorities. At the meeting last month, the Agency revisited this list of priority projects and based, in part, on the recommendation of the Advisory Planning Commission, identified which projects would be incorporated into TRPA's 2013/2014 work program. In addition to adopting a list of tasks that are obligatory since they are required mitigations under the Regional Plan EIS (e.g. development and implementation of a best construction practices policy for air quality and noise), it was also decided to focus Agency resources on a review of coverage transfers across hydrologic zones, the formation of a Best Management Practices Committee to encourage completion of BMP projects basin-wide, an update and implementation of shorezone regulations (since there is now an appetite on the part of some of the former litigants to reach a resolution) and to look at incentives transfers of development to areas outside of town centers if there is a proven benefit based on a reduction in VMT, etc.

In other business, the Regional Plan Update Committee was re-chartered as the Regional Plan Implementation Committee and will be tasked with reviewing and making recommendations to the Governing Board on proposed amendments to the Regional Plan as we go through a regulatory adjustment and refinement process.

On Thursday of this week I will be accompanying TRPA staff to a legislative hearing in Sacramento to respond to questions regarding the Agency's 2013/2014 budget and TRPA's response to a provision in the language of a recent appropriation bill that calls for the establishment of "four-year measurable performance benchmarks for **all** of the implementation measures and programmatic provisions" in the updated plan. The challenge to complying with this mandate is that it will cost \$3 million annually to monitor all existing threshold indicators

while the Agency anticipates having only \$1.2 million to spend. Wish us luck!

Please call with any questions.

Best to All,

Shelly