TAHOE REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCY TRANSPORATION PERFORMANCE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Tahoe Regional Planning Agency
Zoom

April 22, 2024

I. CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

TRPA Planning Manager, Michelle Glickert called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

Members present or online: Michelle Glickert (TRPA Transportation Planning Manager), Dan Segan (TRPA Chief Science and Policy Advisor), Ken Kasman (TRPA Research & Analysis Department Director), Nick Haven (TRPA MPO Director), Ryan Murray (TRPA Associate Transportation Planner), Josh Schmidt (TRPA Transportation & Analytics Analyst), Kira Richardson (TRPA Senor Transportation Planner), Jaime Wright (Placer County), Emily Dougherty and Anush Nejad (City of South Lake Tahoe), Dave Solaro (Washoe County), Carl Hasty (Tahoe Transportation District), Sara Van Siclen (Truckee North Tahoe Transportation Management Association), Steve Teshara (South Shore Transportation Management Association), Catherine Chiu (Caltrans), Donaldo Palaroan (El Dorado County), Chris Martinovich (Carson City MPO, NV) and Carole Black (General Public Representative)

Additional representatives from various counties, City of South Lake, Caltrans, Placer County, Non-governmental organizations, TRPA staff including Transportation Planning.

Michelle Glickert, TRPA Planning Manager, welcomed all attendees to the second meeting of the Transportation Performance Technical Advisory Committee.

Jessica Gillies was designated as the minutes, recorder for the meeting.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minor corrections to the minutes including adding to the members present list Chris Martinovich, Carson City, NV. The April 22, 2024. Transportation Performance Technical Advisory Committee minutes were approved as amended.

IV. PUBLIC HEARINGS ITEMS

A. Review of high-level transportation metrics to track implementation of Vehicle Miles Traveled reduction and achievement of other Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy Goals (Discussion and Possible Direction/Action)

The meeting commenced with a discussion of active transportation metrics. Participants emphasized the importance of prioritizing multi-benefit projects that

enhance safety and improve the overall experience for commuters. It was noted that supporting funding for local jurisdictions and partners to complete necessary maintenance and operations is crucial, especially considering the challenges in maintaining infrastructure year-round. Furthermore, there was an agreement on the need to seek better sources of data to understand mode share and commute patterns accurately.

Concerns were raised regarding the adequacy of funding, particularly with reference to the limited funding in the regional grant program. While acknowledging the efforts to support infrastructure projects, it was noted that additional funding is required to address the existing gaps adequately. Members emphasized the need for increased collaboration and resource allocation to address these funding challenges effectively.

The discussion continued regarding data collection and analysis, highlighting the importance of obtaining accurate information on commuter patterns and workforce demographics. Participants expressed the need for improved data collection methods, especially concerning large employers and their commuting patterns. Suggestions were made to explore partnerships and organizations such as the Chamber of Commerce to enhance data collection efforts.

Ryan Murray, TRPA Associate Transportation Planner presented an analysis of Bicycle Level of Traffic Stress (BLTS) and pedestrian experience, highlighting BLTS categories from 1 (low stress) to 4 (high stress). Discussion ensued on methodology, including how real-world conditions can be incorporated.

Ken Kasman, TRPA Research & Analysis Department Director provided an overview of the data collection process for bicycle and pedestrian monitoring, historical survey data and trends in walk and bike share. Discussion ensued on the use of Replica, a webbased national travel demand model for estimating mode shares. Josh Schmidt, TRPA Transportation & Analytics Analyst provided details of data collection methods.

Members noted focus on the performance report is crucial for developing the 2024 Regional Transportation Plan with emphasis on connecting the Regional Transportation Plan to the overall Regional Plan.

B. Provide guidance on program policy and project modifications necessary to attain and maintain Transportation and Sustainable Communities Threshold Standard (Discussion and Possible Direction/Action)

Michelle Glickert, TRPA Transportation Program Manager outlined the schedule for future meetings and the timeline for completing the performance report. Discussion ensued regarding presenting congestion data in a way that reflects actual conditions that helps in planning and operational decisions. Members provided suggestions on focusing on specific segments and peak periods to better capture problem areas, including presenting both absolute travel times and percent changes for better understanding.

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The meeting concluded with a review of the timeline and next steps. Members discussed the deadline for submitting the draft report. Concerns were raised regarding the tight timeline and the need for additional time to incorporate the latest data and address any outstanding issues effectively. Staff added that the draft report was posted a week prior to the April meeting providing three weeks for review with comments due May 13, 2024.

V. PUBLIC INTEREST COMMENTS

None

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Michelle Glickert adjourned the meeting at 3:31 p.m.

The next meeting of the Transportation Performance Technical Advisory Committee will be held on May 29, 2024

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Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Gillies, Senior Management Assistant

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