From: Svata <sk8rs@charter.net>

Sent: Wednesday, November 17, 2021 8:14 PM

**To:** Bridget Cornell

**Subject:** Opposition to TTD Temporary Special Use Permit

TO: TRPA Bridget Cornell bcornell@trpa.org

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• SIGNED: (Mrs.) Svata Trossen

Address in IVCB: 1461 Glarus Court Permanent Resident since 1994

From: Daniel Streck < PerioJD@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 17, 2021 6:11 PM

To: Bridget Cornell

**Subject:** Proposed "Special Use Permit" by TTD hearing

**Attachments:** Dear Bridget and Tahoe Reginal Planning Agency.docx

Hello Bridget, please find the attached letter regarding my opposition to the proposed "Special Use Permit" for the property at 771 Southwood Blvd (locally known as the Old Elementary School OES). I sent you an email as well which was sent last March to Judi Allen. It appears that my input then was not considered at all even though the traffic issues has gotten worse. No one can deny that the traffic intensity will only increase with TTD's proposal.

Please include my attached letter AND the email I sent to you, including Judi Allen's response, into the public record.

Respectfully, Daniel Streck

Sent from Mail for Windows

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From: Shannon Hess <shannon@morshess.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 17, 2021 10:40 PM

To: Bridget Cornell

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Address in IVCB: 521 Spencer Way, Incline Village, NV 89451

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SIGNED: Ronda Tycer
 814 Toni Court
 Incline Village, NV 89451

From: Daniel Streck <periojd@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 17, 2021 5:52 PM

To: Bridget Cornell

**Subject:** FW: Has any one done a traffic study or environmental impact study?

#### Sent from Mail for Windows

From: Daniel Streck

Sent: Wednesday, November 17, 2021 5:46 PM

To: bcornell@trpa

Subject: FW: Has any one done a traffic study or environmental impact study?

Dear Bridget and Tahoe Reginal Planning Agency,

You will see below that I reached out to Judi Allen, March 2021 regarding the proposed transportation hub by TTD. Actually now the request is for a "Special Use Permit" which is TTD's sinister way to ultimately secure and construct a permanent bus hub. I am hoping that the TRPA will not be fooled by their methods. Any use of the area (Old Elementary School hereinafter OES) for this purpose will only INCREASE the traffic congestion in and around the area. I presume that a "Special Use Permit" skirts all the required environmental, noise, traffic studies which would apply should there be an actual construction of the desired hub. It appears that TTD is trying to achieve their goal in increments!

Please note the photos in the March 5, 2021 email below (Oriole, Southwood at the Tahoe Incline Apartments and intersection of Tahoe Blvd and Southwood Blvd). These photos were taken by me on January 26, 2021; an average winter Tuesday (not summer high season), mid-afternoon, and non-rush hour. This is more traffic than seen at the main intersection of Tahoe Blvd and Village Blvd in Incline Village. The traffic at rush hour, end of the school day and construction are ten times the activity. The thought that TTD thinks the bus hub will diminish traffic and congestion in Incline Village and, Southwood Blvd specifically, is ludicrous.

I am asking that TRPA request some study on traffic congestion, noise and waste pollution from TTD before any "Special Use Permit" is even considered. My guess is that those making these decisions have NO idea of what really occurs on Southwood Blvd and Tahoe Blvd. And I doubt that any member of TTD or TRPA even live in the area discussed so naturally they would not be effected by the noise and pollution.

The proposed area to be included in the "Special Use Permit" sits directly across from the 75 Unit-Tahoe Incline Apartments (with parking issues already) and just south of The Village Shopping Center (which includes the Main Post Office...Southwood Blvd is one of the main arteries to travel to the Post Office). Additionally, Oriole and Southwood Blvd are the direct access lines for the Fire Department. One needs to only stand on the corner of Oriole and Southwood to hear the fire trucks frequently whizzing by. All of these "entities" mentioned have contributed to the congestion, traffic and noise. To add bussing and parking for hundreds of additional vehicles to the area will not improve but impede the traffic even more. Make no mistake, the cars will be lined up for blocks should the "Special Use Permit" parking be allowed to move forward; but then again TTD already knows this!

This bussing hub will bring in more traffic into the valley. Why is the TTD and TRPA not looking outside the area and transporting tourists in? The overall scheme makes no sense. The proposed plan is a simple fix, no brains needed (an

open spot on paper) for a complex environmental problem. The hub will bring in more cars not less; a hub outside the valley would bring people NOT cars!

I ask TRPA to decline the "Special Use Permit" and request an environment impact, traffic, noise/garbage pollution study before moving forward on any proposed use of the land.

Respectfully,

**Daniel Streck** 

Sent from Mail for Windows

From: Judi Allen

Sent: Wednesday, March 10, 2021 8:13 AM

To: Daniel Streck

Subject: RE: Has any one done a traffic study or environmental impact study?

Thank you for your comments.

Best,

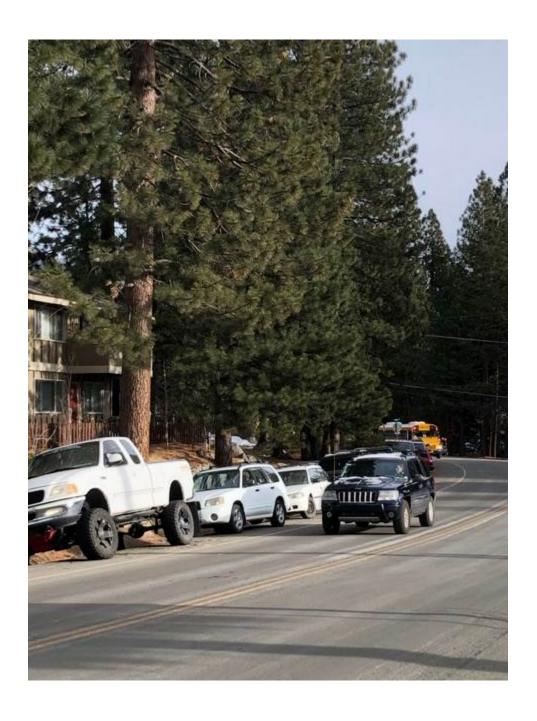
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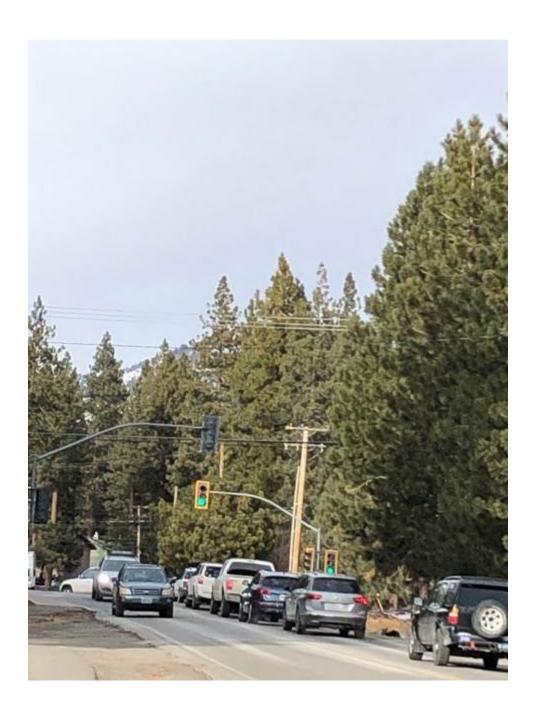
From: Daniel Streck < periojd@hotmail.com > Sent: Friday, March 5, 2021 10:36 AM
To: info@tahoetransportation.org

Subject: Has any one done a traffic study or environmental impact study?

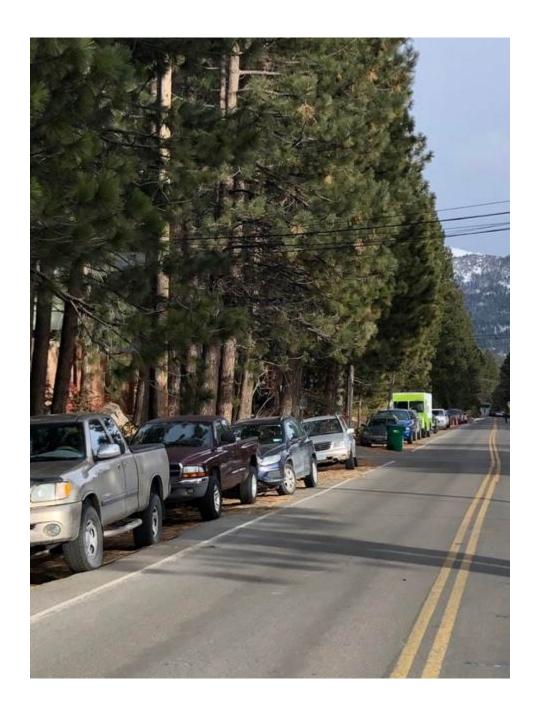
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Sent from my iPad

From: McAvoy Layne <mcavoylayne@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 17, 2021 3:28 PM

To: Bridget Cornell

**Subject:** Fwd: ACTION ALERT-Bus Hub: Sign & Forward TODAY

-------Forwarded message ------From: <<u>rondatycer@aol.com</u>>

Date: Wed, Nov 17, 2021 at 3:13 PM

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To: <rondatycer@aol.com>

TO: TRPA Bridget Cornell <u>bcornell@trpa.org</u>

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SIGNED: McAvoy Layne

Address in IVCB: 801 Northwood Blvd #49 Incline Village, NV 89451

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http://www.ghostoftwain.com Email: McAvoyLayne@gmail.com



"Always do right, this will gratify some

and astonish the rest." -Mark Twain

From: Nancy L Porten <nancyporten@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 17, 2021 4:50 PM

**To:** Bridget Cornell

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**Nancy Porten** 

Address in IVCB:

From: Shirley <Shirleyroxburgh@earthlink.net>
Sent: Thursday, November 18, 2021 6:12 AM

To: Bridget Cornell

**Subject:** Fwd: Protest TTD Request for TRPA Approval for East Shore Express

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Shirley Roxburgh <shirleyroxburgh@earthlink.net>

**Date:** November 17, 2021 at 12:34:43 PM CST **To:** Bridget Cornell <BCornell@trpa.com>

Subject: Protest TTD Request for TRPA Approval for East Shore Express

**Dear Bridget** 

Please add the following comments to the public input for the TRPA November 18, 2021 meeting.

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There are many reasons for TRPA to deny this permission. One of the most important issues is the Transportation/Circulation Issue. Incline Village is a small village that has managed to maintain its Lake Tahoe charm. Hundreds of cars daily accessing Incline Village to access the East Shore Express obviously creates traffic issues. The local streets are not built to accommodate this volume. Pedestrians and bicyclists will be at peril. There are obviously air quality and noise issues as well. I question why TRPA would even consider allowing TTD to negatively impact the environment that TRPA promises to protect.

Shirley Roxburgh

20 year Incline Village Resident

**From:** Svata <sk8rs@charter.net>

**Sent:** Wednesday, November 17, 2021 11:28 PM

**To:** Bridget Cornell

**Subject:** Oppose TTD Special Use Permit Request - From J & J Hagy

TO: TRPA Bridget Cornell <u>bcornell@trpa.org</u>

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Address in IVCB: 690Davidway

**From:** Joe Shaefer <joe@jlshaefer.com>

**Sent:** Wednesday, November 17, 2021 4:12 PM

**To:** Bridget Cornell

**Subject:** More than 1400 IV residents do not want private profit to overrule public good

# Dear Ms. Cornell:

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Please consider our residents and our children,

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Brigadier General, USAF, Ret.

569 Len Way Incline Village, NV 89451

From: Aaron Vanderpool <Aaron\_Vanderpool@snceagles.sierranevada.edu>

Sent: Thursday, November 18, 2021 10:31 AM

To: Bridget Cornell Subject: OES Petition

TO: TRPA Bridget Cornell <u>bcornell@trpa.org</u>

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# • SIGNED: Aaron Vanderpool

806 Oriole Way Unit 20 Incline Village, NV 89451

From: Nick Maiocco <nickvine4@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 17, 2021 3:50 PM

To: Bridget Cornell

Subject: Opposed to Bus Hud

# TO: TRPA Bridget Cornell

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• SIGNED: Nicholas Maiocco

Address in IVCB: 553 Len Way Incline Village, NV 89451

Sent from Mail for Windows

From: Robyn Barnes <tvrobyn@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 17, 2021 3:32 PM

**To:** Bridget Cornell

**Subject:** Opposed to IV bus hub!

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Sincerely,

Robyn and Ben Barnes 465 Eagle Drive Incline Village, NV. 89451

From: Pamela Tsigdinos <ptsigdinos@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 17, 2021 3:48 PM

To: Bridget Cornell

**Subject:** Opposed to Temporary Special Use Permit for TTD bus service and parking at OES

#### Dear Bridget,

Please make sure my email requesting that TRPA deny a temporary special use permit for the TTD to operate a bus service and parking at the Old Incline Elementary School (OES)

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#### TO: TRPA

I am a full-time resident of Incline Village, NV, who suffers from asthma. I am writing to ask TRPA to **oppose** a temporary special use permit for the TTD to operate a bus service and allow parking at the Old Incline Elementary School (OES).

There are many reasons to oppose this request:

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Pamela M. Tsigdinos 1080 Oxen Road Incline Village, NV 89451

From: Jane Barnhart <tahoejaneb@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 17, 2021 6:16 PM

To: Bridget Cornell

**Subject:** [BULK] STOP THE TTD FROM BUILDING A HUB AT THE OES

Please Please do not have a transportation hub at the old elementary school site. it will have great impact on the noise especially (let alone dangerous) near my condo at 830 oriole Way #36, Incline village, NV89451. There are MANY problems with this but this is just one.

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Jane Barnhart

TahoeJaneB@gmail.com

775-657-0113 cell

P.O. Box 5560, Incline Village, NV 89450

From: Michael Abel <mikeabel900@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 17, 2021 4:08 PM

To: Bridget Cornell

**Subject:** Opposed to the bus terminal at the Incline OES

I 100% support this attached letter

TO: TRPA Bridget Cornell <u>bcornell@trpa.org</u>

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# Michael Abel

900 Southwood Blvd #4 Incline Village, NV 89451

From: Doug Flaherty <tahoeblue365@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 17, 2021 8:24 PM

**To:** Bridget Cornell; TRPA

**Subject:** Opposition To Agenda Item V. D. TRPA Hearing Officer Meeting 11-18-21 **Attachments:** Initial Environmental Checklist - East Shore Express.pdf; HO-Agenda-11.18.21.pdf

To: TRPA Hearing Officer

VIA: TRPA Staff Member B. Cornell

Please make this part of the record of public comments in connection with Agenda Item V.D. in connection with the November 18, 2021 Hearing Officer Meeting discussed below and please ensure the Hearing Officer receives a copy of this entire email.

RE: November 18, 2021 Hearing Officer Meeting Agenda PUBLIC HEARING ITEM V, D. Tahoe Transportation District/Washoe County School District Temporary Use; 771 Southwood Blvd. & 915 Northwood Blvd., Incline Village, Washoe County, NV; APNs 132-201-02 & 132-012-05; TRPA File Number ERSP2021-0673.

Due to my concerns listed below, I request that the TRPA Hearing Officer either delay the hearing on the above matter for 30 days until the Public is able to receive and review an advanced copy of the required Environmental Checklist 15 days in advance of any Hearing Officer Meeting regarding this issue <u>or</u> deny the requested Temporary Use Permit.

As of the evening 11/17/21, the TRPA has failed to add the applicant's Environmental Checklist to the TRPA website far from public view. The applicant's TRPA Environmental Checklist could have easily been posted on the TRPA Website along with the TRPA Staff report in connection with Agenda Item V.D.

I hereby object to and I am opposed to the TRPA Hearing Officer process, content and TRPA Staff recommendations in connection with Hearing Officer Agenda Item V. D, for the following reasons:

1. TRPA has removed recent historical records and file information from their website showing a recent past TTD application for a temporary use permit made by TTD earlier this year in connection with utilizing 771 Southwood Blvd, Incline Village, NV. as a temporary Intercept parking and transient stop.

The TRPA is well aware of the significant amount of community concern and that this project is highly controversial including all matters connected with the use of the Old Incline Elementary School as either a bus hub or a temporary intercept parking use, of which past use has been illegal.

This scrubbed historical information from the TRPA website is a valuable missing element to assist the public in shaping their comments and educating themselves on the history of what has led to Agenda Item V.D. TRPA records showing the past TTD temporary application submittal as "incomplete" should not have been scrubbed from the TRPA website, thereby purposely placing said important information well outside of public view.

2. An extremally important element well deserving of advance public access at least 2 weeks before any Hearing Officer meeting regarding approval of this permit, is the required Environmental Checklist prepared by the applicant, and of which is an important cornerstone in connection with the application approval in question and of which garnishes considerable subjective TRPA Staff endorsement, as indicated within the TRPA Agenda Item V.D. Staff Report. Why is TRPA making it so difficult for the public to review this environmental checklist well in advance of the Hearing Officer meeting?

Due to the highly controversial nature surrounding TTD's use of this property, there reasonably warrants at minimum, the posting of the Environmental Checklist in question on the TRPA Website well in advance of any TRPA Hearing Officer Meeting.

3. While I do not live within 300 feet of the property in question, I requested TRPA's Bridgett Cornell, in writing, to provide me with the same "Notice of Hearing" that property owners within 300 feet of the

property receive and in the same manner. TRPA failed to provide me the requested notice.

4. During a phone call with TRPA regarding 771 Southwood Blvd Temporary use in connection with the East Shore Express, a TRPA coordinating Staff Member agreed that the TTD has been TRPA non compliant in the past by failing to apply for and receive a special temporary use permit for East Shore Express Parking. Throughout the lengthy history of the East Shore Express, the TTD has purposely violated this requirement via TRPA government partnership regulatory acquiescence.

This then, resulting in the violation of TRPA regulations including ten plus years of failing to complete the required TRPA Environmental Checklist.

Because of this, I request that the TTD is first fined for it's years of TRPA regulatory and environmental abuse in the same manner as TRPA would fine any landowner; and that the TTD forfeit any TRPA approval of all of their proposed projects for a period of one year and that this particular application be denied on the basis of TTD's blatant regulatory abuse.

5. During a recent public records request to the TTD, a draft TRPA Initial Environmental Checklist was provided by the TTD. This in connection with the past application for "Intercept parking for east shore express shuttle service to SR 28 and Sand Harbor" Parcels (132-201-02 and 132-012-05) (TRPA File ERSP 2021-0673).

Since TRPA has withheld an advanced copy of the current Agenda V.D., Environmental Checklist, I protest this particular application.

"The Environmental Checklist questionnaire **must** be completed by the applicant based on evidence submitted with the application. <u>All "Yes" and "No, With Mitigation" answers will require further written comments."</u>

- In the past, TTD has failed to adequately provide written comments for all "Yes' or "No" items as marked within the Environmental Checklist.
- In the past, TRPA's response to Items 13 a.,b.,c. and d.
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   "mitigation". However, the opposite can be more logically concluded that

the project and "intercept parking" will effectively increase capacity by actually adding a total of 14,285 seasonal trips thereby creating a cumulative and adverse environmental effect on Incline Village and the Lake Tahoe Basin. Calculations utilizing the new TRPA "Vehicle Miles Traveled" (VMT) approach, if calculated at a minimum of 20 miles per trip to and from the temporary parking areas of both Washoe County School properties would equate to an additional 285,000 miles of VMT directly environmentally and adversely impacting Incline Village. Anyone who lives in Incline Village knows that any additional East Shore parking is at capacity at the same time that the East Shore Express parking fills to capacity. The TTD and TRPA position that the region will actually see a decrease in VMT or trip usage is vaque, arbitrary, highly controversial and uncertain in both context and

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- In the past, TTD has marked Item 9a marked "no" in error. The TTD is very familiar with the fact that the proposed "intercept parking" property at 771 Southwood Blvd is located on an earthquake fault.
- Additionally, I have filed a public safety public nuisance complaint with Washoe County Code Enforcement on 11/16/21 against the abandoned, degrading, trespassed and vandalized property at 771 Southwood Blvd. This included comments regarding the property's earthquake fault, possible ground contamination, classifying the abandoned building as a fire hazard and commenting on property asbestos contamination. Using this location as a seasonal bus hub will allow further unauthorized access to the adjacent abandoned school building and jeopardize the safety of the public which will be allowed access through the school sites gates, which are locked when not utilized seasonally, and which has not prevented trespass or vandalism in the past.

- I request that the TRPA Hearing Officer delay any further action on the Agenda Item D temporary permit application until the alleged public nuisance is abated.
- In the past the TTD has placed "no" marks appearing in connection with Air Quality, Items 2a., b., and c and these "no" conclusions are vague, speculative, arbitrary, highly uncertain in both context and intensity, subjective and opinionated without any supporting specific local air quality data whatsoever, including any air monitoring history or cumulative air quality study impacts on Incline Village or the dense Incline Village residential family neighborhoods directly adjacent to the proposed "intercept parking" at 771 Southwood Blvd. This by failing to provide ongoing and advanced air quality monitoring data utilizing readily available appropriate state of the art PM10, PM2.5 capable EBAM Portable Environmental Beta-Attentuation Mass monitors. These air quality impacts will most likely occur due to a probable significant increase in fine dust and sediment caused by the proposed project and especially the "intercept parking". Without this air quality data the TTD assertion that "NO" air quality impact will occur should be rejected. Knowing the Environmental Checklist items, The TTD has had years to gather definitive and community specific PM2.5 and PM10 EBAM air quality data around the entire circumference of the Lake Tahoe Basin in relation to their projects but they have failed to do so. Why? No further projects should be approved until the TRPA and the TTD provide at minimum, 24 hr 360 degree, community specific and publicly transparent EBAM air quality monitoring studies and data.
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- Impact" AS "no", however due to the proposed "intercept parking", an additional 207 seasonal trips per day and an increased average of 287,000 Vehicle Miles traveled will cause adverse noise and air quality effects on Incline Village as well as the dense residential neighborhood directly adjacent to 771 Southwood Blvd. Not all effects of this proposed project will be positive. All positive and negative effects must be accounted for once TTD properly completes and resubmits the TRPA Environmental Checklist for the proposed project which will have ongoing, incremental and cumulative environmental impacts on the local and regional Lake Tahoe watershed environment.
- And, finally until TTD properly completes the Environmental Checklist, and the public has an advanced opportunity to review the Environmental Checklist, (at least two weeks before proceeding with the Hearing Officer process), the public is

unable to decipher what may lead to additional public concerns and comments regarding the now absent TTD comments. While I am sure we will see the Environmental Checklist pop up on the TRPA website before the Hearing Officer meeting tomorrow 11/18/21, this is too little too late and represents a failure on the part of TRPA to further public transparency.

In closing, the TRPA Agenda D staff report is flawed because staff did not perform an adequate cumulative effect study for in connection with this permit, as listed in the TRPA Environmental Checklist.

Significant and adverse cumulative effect impact occurs from the incremental impact of the action when added to other past, present, or reasonably foreseeable future actions.

TRPA records **Will Clearly** indicate that the TRPA has over the last 15 years failed to properly protect Lake Tahoe **Waters Clarity** by approving one incremental project after the other without analyzing and mitigating cumulative **effects/impacts**. This by allowing subjective staff opinions to be recorded time and time again onto the TRPA Paper Tiger Environmental Checklist, of which their "Government Partners" and agenda driven "Collaborators" usually benefit from (exampled here with the TTD Agenda Item D Environmental Checklist in question).

TRPA has allowed Lake Tahoe water clarity to continue in decline by failing to properly consider <u>all</u> cumulative environmental impacts. Proper protection of Lake Tahoe Waters demands a cumulative effect study connected with permits like the one in question; this would prevent the process of "<u>impermissibly subjecting the decision making process to the tyranny of small decisions</u>. Since it's inception, the TRPA and it's government "partners" have enjoyed the luxury of a tyranny of small decisions by approving a multitude of small and seemingly unrelated decisions at the expense of our declining Lake Tahoe Water clarity, this while Lake Tahoe Basin Government Agency "Partners" and "Collaborators" budgets grow and TRPA's power consolidates and increases. Sincerely,

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TahoeBlue365@gmail.com

From: Helen Abel <helenabel2@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 17, 2021 3:52 PM

To: Bridget Cornell

**Subject:** Opposition to bus terminal

.I know that this is a form letter, but it totally summarizes my thoughts and feelings .

TO: TRPA Bridget Cornell <u>bcornell@trpa.org</u>

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# Signed: Helen Abel 900 Southwood Blvd #4 Incline Village, NV 89451

From: Allyson Willoughby <tahoeborn@hotmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, November 18, 2021 9:30 AM

**To:** Bridget Cornell

**Subject:** Opposition to Incline Transit Hub

#### Good morning Bridget -

I would like to note my strong opposition to the proposed transit hub at the old elementary school property in Incline Village. Please include this email as part of the public record.

There are many reasons this location is not suited for a transit hub - the primary being public safety. It is a dense residential neighborhood. A child was struck by a car there last year - and that was without a bus rotation. I am all for better public transportation in the basin - but this location is not being selected because it is the best location. It is being selected because it is available.

TTD should first study where the safest and best location for a hub would be and then proceed. They have consistently done the opposite.

I will also note that Incline Village homeowners once again had no notice that this was happening. There seems to be a consistent effort to hide things from the homeowners and then schedule a rush of meetings in quick succession to get this project forced through. The residents are tired of TTD's deception.

I urge TRPA to require that TTD do proper urban planning - identify the safest & best site and then move forward.

Thank you,

Allyson Willoughby 525 Lakeshore Blvd. #39 Incline Village NV 89451 (775) 831.0634 (home) (415) 309.2497 (mobile)

From: M Young <mgrauyoung@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 17, 2021 3:48 PM

**To:** Bridget Cornell

**Subject:** Opposition to Special Use Permit for TDD in Incline

TO: TRPA Bridget Cornell bcornell@trpa.org

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• SIGNED: Michele Grau-Young

Address in IVCB: 796 Tyner Way Incline Village NV 89451

From: Steve Sidells <sasidells@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 17, 2021 3:43 PM

To: Bridget Cornell

**Subject:** Opposition to TTD Use Permit

TO: TRPA Bridget Cornell <u>bcornell@trpa.org</u>

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The vast majority of IV residents are against this hub. We are among the many IV citizens who have signed a petition against the hub at the OES.

Jamie and Stephen Sidells 900 Driver Way Incline Village, NV 89451

From: 723Burgundy Al <al.oconnor@723Burgundy.com>

**Sent:** Wednesday, November 17, 2021 5:17 PM

To: Bridget Cornell

**Subject:** Please Deny TTD Request for a Special Use Permit for a Bus Hub in Incline Village

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Allan O'Connor 723 Burgundy Road Incline Village, NV 89451

<u>al.oconnor@723Burgundy.com</u> (775) 298-1199

From: Richard Miner <dickminer@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 17, 2021 9:14 PM

**To:** Bridget Cornell

**Cc:** Bill Yeates; Mark Bruce

**Subject:** Please Do Not Issue a Temporary Special Use Permit to the TTD for a Bus Hub

Dear Ms. Cornell,

You are no doubt in receipt of many signed petitions from Incline Village and Crystal Bay residents who oppose granting the Tahoe Transportation District a temporary special use permit allowing them to proceed with planning for a bus hub at the old elementary school site in Incline Village. I am in agreement with those who are writing or emailing you in opposition to authorizing such a permit. But my opposition goes beyond the reasons mentioned in the petition which many of my neighbors are signing and sending you, some of which reasons I will mention as follows.

I have attended via Zoom most of the meetings of the TTD and the TRPA Board which attempted to address this issue over the past two years and have been astounded by the misstatements of fact made in support of the plan by the likes of Mr. Carl Hasty and others on the TTD staff and its governing board. These differing public statements are now a matter of public record. Throughout this process which belatedly involved token public outreach opportunities sufficient to meet the letter of the law the results have been absolutely no change the course Mr. Hasty and his staff have been pursuing. Beginning with the misstatements of prior use of the school property as a transportation hub used to obtain matching funds from the Federal Transportation Administration on through the failure to conduct the required environmental impact studies and on down to the false characterization of widespread community support for the plan when just the opposite is the case, the TTD'S proposed use of this property smack in the middle of our community as a transportation hub has continued unabated. Our community is united in opposition to the use of this site for a transportation hub.

We are not opposed to such a facility located where it makes sense, where it can intercept out of area traffic arriving from Reno, elsewhere on the north shore, or from South Lake Tahoe and environs. But that is not the plan we have been given and after the lies and prevarications we have endured to date we refuse to believe that it was "...necessary to purchase this property in order to get the matching funds...." as Mr. Hasty and several other TTD board members have publicly stated. Indeed, if that were the case and the TTD does in fact plan to find another location suitable to both our community and to the obvious traffic issues that such a hub will have to mitigate, then no use permit--temporary or otherwise--will be required. The property is now owned by the TTD. They can proceed to find an alternative location which satisfies the true needs for such a facility and then sell the site to locals who will use it for more appropriate and community friendly purposes.

Please do not grant the temporary special use permit at this time for all the reasons stated above.

Sincerely Yours,

Richard Miner
Past President,
Incline Village & Crystal Bay Historical Society

From: Ina Haupt <Ina.Haupt@premiertahoe.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 17, 2021 3:30 PM

To: Bridget Cornell

**Subject:** Protesting a Bus Station in the Center of our Incline Village

TO: TRPA Bridget Cornell bcornell@trpa.org

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Additionally, your priority must be additional recreation and parks before you create parking lots and bus stations. You are supposed to preserve and protect our environment.

A Bus Station is not the way to do that, and that is why so many people oppose this ill conceived idea of spending money.

Residence Address: 1077 Flume Road, Incline Village, NV

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**From:** mlkennedy1@charter.net

Sent: Wednesday, November 17, 2021 11:42 AM

To: Bridget Cornell

**Subject:** Public input re: TTD Special Use Permit for the East Shore Express

To: Bridget Cornell,

I am writing to request that my comments be added to the public record in the upcoming meeting regarding the TTD request for a Special Permit Use of the old Incline Elementary School in Incline Village as a bus hub for the East Shore Express.

- I oppose the use of the Old Incline Elementary School as the choice for a designated hub for the East Shore Express (or any other mobility hub use).
- <u>The hub will increase traffic</u> in the area, <u>posing serious safety concerns</u> for the many residents living in very close proximity to the site.
- The increased traffic at this site (just off Tahoe Blvd. Hwy 28) will increase vehicle
   congestion in the area which is already a route frequently used by area residents to access the
   Post Office, nearby businesses, residences and recreation areas near the west end of
   Lakeshore Blvd.
- The increased number of vehicles (buses and vehicles of riders) will increase air pollution in the area.
- The site could be better used to create additional housing options for workers in our area who already cannot find places to live in the community.
- Approving the permit, even on a temporary basis, will increase the chances for the continued
  use of the site for this use. Instead, <u>please put the energy and resources into helping TTD find
  a more suitable and appropriate location that will not result in negative consequences for the
  community.</u>

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully, Mary Lou Kennedy, Incline Village year-round resident

From: R Myles Riner <mriner@comcast.net>
Sent: Wednesday, November 17, 2021 5:24 PM

To: Bridget Cornell

**Subject:** Agenda Item #V.D. TTD application for special use permit in Incline Village

# Dear TRPA Planner Cornell and the TRPA Board;

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Sincerely,

R. Myles Riner MD

mriner@comcast.net 411 Valerie Court, Incline Village

From: Cheri Kratka <cakzinn@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 17, 2021 5:03 PM

To: Bridget Cornell

**Subject:** Re: ACTION ALERT-Bus Hub: Sign & Forward TODAY

A BUS HUB IN INCLINE WILL BRING MORE TRAFFIC TO THE LAKE!
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Cheri Kratka 768 TYNER WAY, Incline Village, NV 89351

From: R Myles Riner <mriner@comcast.net>
Sent: Wednesday, November 17, 2021 8:36 PM

To: Bridget Cornell

**Subject:** Re: Agenda Item #V.D. TTD application for special use permit in Incline Village

Ms Cornell,

As I am sure you know, If TRPA grants TTD's request on Thursday, it will legitimize the OES as a bus hub for the ESE from now on.

TTD lied on its grant application to the Federal Transportation Administration saying the *future use* of the OES as a bus hub would be *a continuation of the past use*. TTD is now applying to TRPA to legitimize its use. Once TTD is granted the Special Use Permit it will be able to claim the future use as a bus hub is a continuation of the past use as a bus hub.

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Sincerely
Myles Riner MD
mriner@comcast.net
411 Valerie Ct. Incline Village

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| Scornell@trpa.gov> wrote:

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To: Bridget Cornell < bcornell@trpa.gov >

Subject: Agenda Item #V.D. TTD application for special use permit in Incline Village

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From: Lenty Hagen <lenty\_hagen@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Wednesday, November 17, 2021 6:04 PM

To: Bridget Cornell

**Subject:** Re: Permit for TTD to operate bus hub

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• SIGNED: Helenty E. Hagen 929 Northwood Blvd. #4 Incline Village, NV 89450

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**From:** mrsradar@aol.com

Sent: Wednesday, November 17, 2021 4:21 PM

To: Bridget Cornell

**Subject:** Re: Special use permit meeting Thursday Nov. 18th

Yes it is

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 17, 2021, at 2:00 PM, Bridget Cornell <bcornell@trpa.gov> wrote:

Hello again:

I presumed that was a typo when I saw your letter.

I will include both communications in our public record.

I appreciate your taking the time to respond, and follow up.

I am really sorry to hear that you did not receive your public notice. A few have come back returned, but yours was not one of them. Is that still an accurate mailing address for you?

Thank you again for your comments.

Bridget

Bridget K. Cornell CURRENT PLANNING (775) 589-5218

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**From:** mrsradar@aol.com <mrsradar@aol.com> **Sent:** Wednesday, November 17, 2021 1:47 PM

To: Bridget Cornell <bcornell@trpa.gov>

Subject: Re: Special use permit meeting Thursday Nov. 18th

Bridget I did not receive this notice, I can guarantee you that I would have responded sooner had I received it. Also please note in my letter that I made an error when I said that I had not been ignored regarding past letters. I should have said that I have been ignored on several occasions in the past, also according to Real Estate Law, I have the right to peaceful existance of my property. I would appreciate this added to my letter.

Thank you,

### Shirley Appel

----Original Message-----

From: Bridget Cornell < bcornell@trpa.gov > To: mrsradar@aol.com < mrsradar@aol.com >

Sent: Wed, Nov 17, 2021 12:49 pm

Subject: RE: Special use permit meeting Thursday Nov. 18th

Good afternoon, Ms. Appel:

I am sorry to hear that you did not receive a notice regarding TRPA File #ERSP2021-0673. TRPA's noticing requirements require that property owners within a 300-foot radius of the proposed location receive a notice of the public hearing.

I see your name on the list of affected property owners. A Notice of Application and Public Hearing was mailed to you at PO Box 5942, Incline Village, NV 89450 on Thursday, November 4, 2021. It was even mailed from the Incline Village post office! That is the address associated with your property in the Assessor's Record.

I have attached a copy of the public notice for your review. It includes instructions on accessing the staff summary and related documents on the TRPA website, and provides a link to register to participate in the public hearing.

Please let me know if there are any questions I can answer for you.

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From: <a href="mrsradar@aol.com">mrsradar@aol.com</a>>
Sent: Wednesday, November 17, 2021 12:34 PM

To: Bridget Cornell <br/>
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Subject: Special use permit meeting Thursday Nov. 18th

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Shirley Appel

From: Steven Johnson <steviecj@aol.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 17, 2021 3:55 PM

To: Bridget Cornell

**Subject:** RE: Stop the TTD Bus Hub at OES!

Bridget,

Thank you for your prompt response to my previous email, and I see that TRPA considers that TTD is currently pursuing a "temporary use" permit. That sounds great, except I am concerned that this permit will legalize and legitimate TTD's use of the OES as a bus hub forever into the future. It would be the proverbial "camels head under the tent" rather than TTD going through the proper permit process complying with all the necessary scrutiny usually required.

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Do the right thing!

Regards,

Steven Johnson

From: Bridget Cornell <br/>
Sent: Wednesday, November 17, 2021 12:09 PM

**To:** Steven Johnson <steviecj@aol.com> **Subject:** RE: Stop the TTD Bus Hub at OES!

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From: Steven Johnson < <a href="mailto:steviecj@aol.com">sent: Wednesday, November 17, 2021 10:56 AM</a>

To: Bridget Cornell < bcornell@trpa.gov > Subject: Stop the TTD Bus Hub at OES!

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**From:** info <info@muggsywalnut.com>

**Sent:** Wednesday, November 17, 2021 3:39 PM

To: Bridget Cornell

**Subject:** Reject permit for Bus Hub at old incline elementary school

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# **Steve Dolan**

806 O'Neil way Incline Village, NV 89451

**From:** kathie julian <kathiejulian@gmail.com> **Sent:** Wednesday, November 17, 2021 3:48 PM

To: Bridget Cornell

**Subject:** Special Use Permit for Old Elementary School Site - Incline Village

# Hi Bridget

I am a full-time resident of Incline Village and am writing to express my opposition to the Tahoe Transportation District's (TTD) request to TRPA for a Temporary Special Use Permit to run the East Shore Express (ESE) from with Old Elementary School Site (OES).

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Please consider instead the use of another site or sites for a temporary location for tourist parking and ESE transit —— perhaps the parking area near Diamond Peak on Ski Way, or perhaps the Incline High School or new Elementary School parking lots on Northwood. None of these options are in as congested and sensitive an area as is the OES site.

Despite numerous suggestions in various forums, TTD appears not to have approached the appropriate authorities to secure parking and transit capabilities at the large parking area off Ski Way near Diamond Peak. TRPA and TTD should explain to the incline Village Community why such options are not being considered.

Please include my comment in the public record.

Thanks and regards.

Kathie Julian Incline Village

**From:** mrsradar@aol.com

**Sent:** Wednesday, November 17, 2021 12:34 PM

To: Bridget Cornell

**Subject:** Special use permit meeting Thursday Nov. 18th

**Attachments:** TRPA MEETING NOTICE.docx

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From: Linda L. Smith <llsmith2650@aol.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 18, 2021 10:31 AM

To: Bridget Cornell

**Subject:** TRPA Needs to Protect the Lake from a Transit Hub

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Linda L. Smith 23 years as a property owner in Incline Village, Nevada

From: Jill <jbrandin@charter.net>

Sent: Wednesday, November 17, 2021 4:53 PM

To: Bridget Cornell

Cc: rondatycer@aol.com

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TO: TRPA Bridget Cornell bcornell@trpa.org

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Thank you, Jill Brandin

818 Toni Ct., Incline Village, NV 89451

From: D. Griscom <griscom@pobox.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 17, 2021 3:49 PM

**To:** Bridget Cornell

**Cc:** D. Griscom; rondatycer@aol.com

**Subject:** Vote NO on Incline Bushub at Old Elementary School

TO: TRPA Bridget Cornell

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Finally, there are a number of other more suitable locations for this bus hub which will serve both tourists and the community at large in a better way. Please reject this proposed special use permit for this use at this location.

Signed, D.A. Griscom Incline Village resident 774 Mays Blvd., #10-312 Incline Village, NV 89451

From: Kerry Donovan <kdonovan@chaseinternational.com>

Sent: Thursday, November 18, 2021 8:47 AM

To: Bridget Cornell

**Subject:** Bus hub incline at old IES site

Hi Bridget

Thanks for all you do.

Very opposed to this bus hub project in this proposed old IES location in incline.

This is a terrible location for bus hub concept for this location . This former IES site area is already very congested with high density housing . Makes more sense to put near the east shore trail since that is the huge attraction?

Thank you

Kerry and Greg Donovan

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**From:** jimberes@comcast.net

Sent: Wednesday, November 17, 2021 4:10 PM

To: Bridget Cornell
Cc: 'Robin Beres'

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Jim and Robin Beres 1079 Sawmill Rd Incline Village, NV 89451

From: Don Ferrell <donferrell333@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 18, 2021 8:32 AM

**To:** Bridget Cornell

**Subject:** Bus Hub

I fully support the views in the email reproduced below. Further, there are other better uses for this property. Incline Village has a severe shortage of preschool services. We are investigating the lease of part of the Village Market for a pre-school and could use part of the land for a play area for the kids.

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501 Eagle Drive Incline Village, NV

From: LE Nalbandian <laurennal@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 17, 2021 4:44 PM

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From: Shaun Orgill <shaun.orgill@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 18, 2021 9:49 AM

**To:** Bridget Cornell

**Subject:** Comments for Incline Bus Center

Hello Briget,

I found out about the proposal a little late but would like to submit a comment asking the TRPA to reject the TTD application for a "Special Use Permit" for the incline transit center proposal.

First I am very against this as the noise from the buses and the additional traffic will be a lot as it is already a busy corner. Our condo complex is right against the proposed area and is forced to deal with all traffic and noise on Southwood. It is very unclear to me how this benefits anyone in the town of incline village and puts those that currently live near by in a less than ideal situation.

Second, here are some issues I see with the plan for existing residents:

- 1) to leave our condominium complex there are NO sidewalks in either direction. So it will be dangerous with more traffic to cross the street to the sidewalk. I strongly suggest a sidewalk improvement if this goes forward. As a new parent, I am already concerned about the lack of sidewalks, and added traffic will only make it worse
- 2) there is limited street parking so how will the transit center ensure that there is not a lot of overflow taking up resident street parking and/or parking in illegally in a complex. This is an issue already prior to the transit center.
- 3) will there be any noise barriers like trees / shrubs installed to prevent overflow noise from the lot from cars and crowds
- 4) this project will likely decrease the value of all surrounding properties. So if it goes forward I suggest adding something that adds value to both surrounding properties and town residence as well, like a park or a fenced in dog park which doesn't exist in town currently.

I am strongly against this but if it goes forward there are many pieces that need to be considered to make sure it does not disrupt and make things dangerous for locals. Thanks for your considerations

Regards, Shaun Orgill

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# **Bridget Cornell**

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Sent: Thursday, November 18, 2021 1:07 AM

To: Bridget Cornell

**Cc:** John Marshall; Joanne Marchetta

**Subject:** TRPA Hearing Officer meeting 11.18. 2021 Agenda Item Public Comment re Special Use Permit for

**East Shore Express** 

I am writing in opposition to both the procedure and content of the Hearing Officer meeting Agenda Item relating to proposed approval of a Special Use Permit for the operation of the seasonal East Shore Express from site in Incline Village (primarily the OES property with overflow parking at the current Incline School).

I. Procedure: This item is of very broad and extended impact to the Incline Village community far exceeding the submitted limited proposal which alone will adversely impact the community. Its history is at best checkered with a service having been illegally operated on a "temporary basis" for several years supported by incomplete, inaccurate documentation and absent required permits.

To represent that the current application is to "formalize" the prior use is at best fantasy - this was an illegal operation knowingly operated by a governmental agency without proper process, permit or evaluation. In addition, operational documents rationalize some process exceptions by representing this service as an extension of prior school bus operation from the OES site despite longer than allowed gaps between the school bus use and prior ESE use and the fact that the services are fundamentally different. Further, this same flawed rationale was extended to both Federal fund applications as well as local matching fund applications for the planned purchase and use of the OES site for a future Transit Hub.

Now, finally, with grant funding secured for the OES site purchase, it has apparently been decided to apply for the long overdue required permits. This decision has much broader and longer impacts than simply a "temporary, 1-2 season seasonal operation of the ESE" as follows: if approved, this permit will now create the record of a prior permit approval of a transit service from the OES site which will be used as rationale for subsequent permitting of a larger Transit Hub which is unsuited for the site, unnecessary for the community, unsafe/potentially dangerous for the neighborhood and adverse to the environment.

And the process which TRPA is using for review and potential approval of these Special Use permits at this meeting is insufficient for the depth and breadth of anticipated community wide longitudinal impact. TTD reps have been quoted as indicating that there is only a small, vocal group of opposed residents - this is INCORRECT: 0ver 1400 individuals signed a petition in opposition and many have written and spoken at various meetings. TTD has represented the prior temporary ESE service as an overall positive without seeking or studying neighborhood impacts and seemingly IGNORING the multiple traffic congestion and safety concerns that have been raised. TTD has represented that there will be significant community input to upcoming planning for a Transit Hub - SKEPTICISM ABOUNDS given the prior lack of input to flawed planning processes with failure to integrate concerns raised to date.

This Special Use Permit process has not been noticed to the full community which will be impacted, only to a limited number of nearby residents. A decision with the broad impact of this item, particularly given the flawed past history, deserves open community input opportunity which has not occurred and a robust public process through the formal TRPA meeting cascade to the Governing Board.

II. Proposal Content: I am opposed to TRPA approving a temporary special use permit for the TTD to operate a bus service and allow parking at the Old Incline Elementary School (OES) with overflow at the current Incline School. I agree with the rationale stated below and add my name to those submitting these objections. Incline Village is already a small, congested area. The Village has suffered from the inadequate planning and implementation of parking for the East Shore Tahoe Trail. The ESE plan has and will again bring large numbers of added vehicles into the area destined primarily for Rte 28 Corridor Recreation sites. These vehicles add congestion/pollution and create adverse safety impacts in the community. Parking for Rte 28 Corridor Recreation sites needs to be provided either at sites along the corridor and/or at intercept lots prior to arrival in the IVCB/Rte 28 Corridor areas. Around the Lake transit service would then connect these lots to destination sites with stops in Incline, etc but without allowing volumes of bus traffic on the small residential street abutting the OES site. Any allowable private vehicle access/parking in Incline is urgently needed for local residents, overnight visitors and, as documented by the recent Housing study, by commuters and businesses.

Detailed objection list includes:

- 1. The permit will legalize TTD's use of the OES as a bus hub forever in the future. This huge hub in the middle of our small village is in the wrong place. Additional traffic in the area is unsafe. The vast majority of IV residents are against this hub. Over 1430 have signed a petition against the hub at the OES.
- https://www.change.org/p/tahoe-transportation-district-board-stop-a-transit-hub-at-the-old-elementary-school
- 2. The prior illegal use of the OES as a bus hub for the East Shore Express has caused many problems for the **community**, especially the residents who live near by.
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  - c."creation of objectionable odors" -- The buses and cars in the past and in the future will create odors.

#### 6. Noise

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Thus, please do not approve the Special Use Permits proposed today. Much more comprehensive, data-based planning is required to develop safe, sustainable, comprehensive approaches. And broader community input/more formal TRPA consideration is essential given huge potential impacts.

Thank you for your consideration and for including in the record for the meeting. Carole Black, Incline Village Resident