



TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

AGENDA

Tuesday, May 28, 2024, 1:30 PM

To join the meeting:

The virtual meeting access information will be emailed.

DRAFT COMMISSION AGENDA REVIEW

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. MINUTES FOR THE MAY 2, 2024, COMMISSION MEETING (KEFFER)
REQUESTED ACTION: The Secretary to the Commission requests correction to, or approval of, the Draft Action Minutes for the May 2, 2024, Commission meeting.
2. APRIL 2024 CHECK REGISTER (THOMPSON)
REQUESTED ACTION: Receive and file the April 2024 Check Register.

BUSINESS ITEMS

3. SENATE BILL 1: STATE OF GOOD REPAIR FISCAL YEAR 2024/25 FUNDING ALLOCATION PROJECT LIST (BOLSTER)
REQUESTED ACTION: Adopt Resolution 23/24.27 allocating Senate Bill 1 State of Good Repair Fiscal Year 2024/25 Funds to the El Dorado County Transportation Commission.
4. FINAL GREATER PLACERVILLE WILDFIRE EVACUATION PREPAREDNESS, COMMUNITY SAFETY, AND RESILIENCY STUDY (BOLSTER)
REQUESTED ACTION: Accept the Final Greater Placerville Wildfire Evacuation Preparedness, Community Safety, and Resiliency Study.
5. PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT: 2025-2045 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (BARTON)
REQUESTED ACTION: Authorize the Executive Director to enter into a professional services agreement between El Dorado County Transportation Commission and DeNovo Planning Group, to develop the 2025-2045 Regional Transportation Plan Environmental Impact Report for a not-to-exceed amount of \$99,537.
6. DRAFT POLICY ELEMENT: 2025-2045 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN (BARTON)
REQUESTED ACTION: Approve the El Dorado County Regional Transportation Plan 2025-2045 DRAFT Goals, Objectives, and Strategies which establishes the framework of the Policy Element of the Regional Transportation Plan.
7. URBAN SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM RE-PROGRAMMING (BARTON)
REQUESTED ACTION: Adopt Resolution 23/24.28 reprogramming \$465,322 in Urban Surface Transportation Block Grant Program funds from the Silva Valley/Harvard Way Intersection Project to El Dorado County Department of Transportation for the Missouri Flat Road Bicycle and Pedestrian Overcrossing Project.

MEMBER SHARING

ADJOURNMENT

The next TAC meeting is scheduled for July 22, 2024.

CONSENT CALENDAR

STAFF REPORT

DATE: JUNE 6, 2024
TO: EL DORADO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
FROM: DANA KEFFER, ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST/SECRETARY TO THE COMMISSION
SUBJECT: MAY 2, 2024 COMMISSION MEETING

REQUESTED ACTION: The Secretary to the Commission requests correction to, or approval of, the Draft Action Minutes (Attachment A) for the May 2, 2024 Commission meeting.

Approved for Agenda:



Woodrow Deloria, Executive Director

Attachment A: May 2, 2024 Minutes



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Councilmembers Representing City of Placerville: John Clerici, Jackie Neau, David Yarbrough
Supervisors Representing El Dorado County: John Hidahl, Lori Parlin, Wendy Thomas, George Turnboo
 Woodrow Deloria, Executive Director

ACTION MINUTES

Regular Meeting, Thursday, May 2, 2024, 2:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Thomas called the meeting to order at 2:02 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ATTENDANCE: Chair Thomas, Vice Chair Neau, Commissioners Clerici, Hidahl, Parlin, Turnboo, Yarbrough, and Caltrans Ex Officio Sukhi Johal. ABSENT: South Lake Tahoe Ex Officio Cody Bass.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA AND CONSENT CALENDAR

There were no public comments received.

ACTION: Commissioner Clerici made a motion to adopt the agenda and to approve or adopt items 1-11 on the Consent Calendar. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Neau which carried as follows:

- MOTION/SECOND: Clerici/Neau**
- AYES: Clerici, Hidahl, Neau, Parlin, Thomas, Turnboo, Yarbrough**
- ABSTAIN: None**
- NOES: None**
- ABSENT: None**

1. MINUTES FOR THE APRIL 4, 2024, COMMISSION MEETING
 REQUESTED ACTION: The Secretary to the Commission requests correction to, or approval of, the Draft Action Minutes for the April 4, 2024, Commission meeting.
2. MARCH 2024 CHECK REGISTER
 REQUESTED ACTION: Receive and file the March 2024 Check Register.
3. TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT FISCAL YEAR 2024/25 APPORTIONMENT AND ALLOCATION FOR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION FUNDS, STATE TRANSIT ASSISTANCE FUNDS, AND STATE OF GOOD REPAIR FUNDS
 REQUESTED ACTION: Adopt Resolution 23/24.18 approving the Transportation Development Act Fiscal Year 2024/25 Apportionment and Allocation for Local Transportation Funds, State Transit Assistance Funds, and State of Good Repair Funds.
4. EL DORADO COUNTY TRANSIT AUTHORITY’S FISCAL YEAR 2024/25 TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT CLAIM
 REQUESTED ACTION: Adopt Resolution 23/24.19 approving the El Dorado County Transit Authority’s Fiscal Year 2024/25 Transportation Development Act Claim in the amount of \$6,350,631.66.

5. TRANSIT AND INTERCITY RAIL CAPITAL PROGRAM AND ZERO EMISSION TRANSIT CAPITAL PROGRAM FUNDS
REQUESTED ACTION: Adopt Resolution 23/24.20 approving the Fiscal Year 2023/24 and Fiscal Year 2024/25 allocation for Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program and the Fiscal Year 2023/24 through FY 2026/27 Zero Emission Transit Capital Program.
6. FINAL SACRAMENTO AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS AND EL DORADO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
REQUESTED ACTION: Approve the Final Memorandum of Understanding between the Sacramento Area Council of Governments and El Dorado County Transportation Commission.
7. SECTION 5311 FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2024 PROGRAM OF PROJECTS
REQUESTED ACTION: Adopt Resolution 23/24.22 authorizing the programming of \$761,477 in Federal Transit Administration 5311 funding for Federal Fiscal Year 2024, for operating assistance for the El Dorado County Transit Authority.
8. SECTION 5311 FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2024 GRANT APPLICATION CERTIFICATIONS AND ASSURANCES
REQUESTED ACTION: Adopt Resolution 23/24.23 to:
 1. Authorize the El Dorado County Transit Authority to submit a Section 5311 grant application for Federal Fiscal Year 2024, stating that:
The El Dorado County Transportation Commission does hereby authorize the EDCTA to execute all standard agreements or amendments necessary to obtain the aforementioned FTA Section 5311 Operating Assistance grant in the amount of \$761,477 through Caltrans.
 2. Authorize the Executive Director to sign the regional agency Certifications and Assurances.
9. SECTION 5311 (F) FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2024 PROGRAM OF PROJECTS
REQUESTED ACTION: Adopt Resolution 23/24.24 authorizing the programming of \$75,000 in Federal Transit Administration 5311 (f) funding for Federal Fiscal Year 2024, for operating assistance for the El Dorado County Transit Authority.
10. SECTION 5311 (F) FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2024 GRANT APPLICATION CERTIFICATIONS AND ASSURANCES
REQUESTED ACTION: Adopt Resolution 23/24.25 to:
 1. Authorize the El Dorado County Transit Authority to submit a Section 5311 (f) grant application for Federal Fiscal Year 2024, stating that:
The El Dorado County Transportation Commission does hereby authorize the EDCTA to execute all standard agreements or amendments necessary to obtain the aforementioned FTA Section 5311(f) grant in the amount of \$75,000 through Caltrans.
 2. Authorize the Executive Director to sign the regional agency Certifications and Assurances.
11. REVISED POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT EXCHANGE FUNDS
REQUESTED ACTION: Approve the Revised Policies and Procedures for the Administration of Surface Transportation Block Grant Exchange Funds.

OPEN FORUM

There were no public comments received.

BUSINESS ITEMS12. **FISCAL YEAR 2024/25 FINAL OVERALL WORK PROGRAM AND BUDGET**

REQUESTED ACTION: Adopt Resolution 23/24.26, approving the Fiscal Year 2024/25 Final Overall Work Program and Budget.

There were no public comments received.

ACTION: Commissioner Clerici made a motion to authorize the requested action as stated. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Yarbrough which carried as follows:

MOTION/SECOND: Clerici/Yarbrough

AYES: Clerici, Hidahl, Neau, Parlin, Thomas, Turnboo, Yarbrough

ABSTAIN: None

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

INFORMATION ITEM13. **DRAFT GREATER PLACERVILLE WILDFIRE EVACUATION PREPAREDNESS, COMMUNITY SAFETY, AND RESILIENCY STUDY**

REQUESTED ACTION: None. This item is for information only.

There were no public comments received.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**SOUTH LAKE TAHOE - CALTRANS – COMMISSIONER COMMENTS****ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:23pm.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for 2:00pm on June 6, 2024, at 330 Fair Lane Placerville, California.

CONSENT CALENDAR

STAFF REPORT

DATE: JUNE 6, 2024
TO: EL DORADO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
FROM: KAREN THOMPSON, FISCAL OFFICER
SUBJECT: APRIL 2024 CHECK REGISTER

REQUESTED ACTION

Receive and file the April 2024 Check Register (Attachment A).

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

The attached check listing includes payments that merit further explanation:

- Extreme Towing*..... \$13,459.25
March 2024 professional services for the Freeway Service Patrol Program, Work Element 130.
The contract with Extreme Towing was approved at the May 6, 2021, EDCTC meeting.
- DKS Associates*..... \$5,453.19
March 2024 professional services for the Wildfire Evacuation Preparedness Plan, Work Element 265. The contract was approved at the March 3, 2022, EDCTC meeting.
- DKS Associates*..... \$8,033.12
March 2024 public outreach services for the Wildfire Evacuation Preparedness Plan, Work Element 265SHA. The contract was approved at the March 2, 2023, EDCTC meeting.

Approved for Agenda:



Woodrow Deloria, Executive Director

Attachment A: April 2024 Check Register

**El Dorado County Transportation Commission
Check Register
April 2024**

Date	Name	Payment	Memo
04/01/2024	Ameritas Life Insurance Corp.	543.00	April 2024 Dental
04/01/2024	Ameritas Life Insurance Corp.	72.20	April 2024 Vision
04/01/2024	Benefit Coordinators Corporation	234.96	April 2024 Life/Disability Premiums
04/01/2024	CalPERS Health	7,945.65	April 2024 Health Premiums
04/01/2024	Airespring	660.37	April 2024 Fiber optic internet
04/01/2024	Century Building Maintenance	500.00	March 2024 Building Maintenance
04/01/2024	De Lage Landen Financial Services	203.78	April 2024 Copy Machine Lease Payment
04/01/2024	PG&E	413.58	02/12/24-03/12/24 Utilities
04/01/2024	Rimrock Water Company	31.80	April 2024 Water
04/01/2024	RTS IT, Inc.	1,070.00	April 2024 ITCare Silver Service Plan
04/01/2024	Sloan Sakai Yeung & Wong LLP	87.00	February 2024 Legal Services
04/03/2024	CalPERS Retirement System	4,242.41	April 2024 Contribution #1
04/03/2024	CalPERS Retirement System	537.77	April 2024 PEPRA Contribution #1
04/08/2024	Elan Financial Services - Visa DK	512.64	ADA Compliant Website, Office Phones, Office Expenses
04/08/2024	Elan Financial Services - Visa JB	390.16	Transportation Conference
04/08/2024	Elan Financial Services - Visa KT	332.03	Zoom Meetings and March Office Expenses
04/08/2024	Elan Financial Services - Visa WD	15.75	Parking SACOG Funding Group Meeting/CTC Meeting
04/08/2024	Extreme Towing	13,459.25 *	March 2024 Freeway Service Patrol
04/08/2024	JS West Propane Gas	117.71	March 2024 Propane
04/08/2024	Roberts & Company, Inc.	265.00	March 2024 Accounting Oversight
04/17/2024	CalPERS Retirement System	4,242.41	April 2024 Contribution #2
04/17/2024	CalPERS Retirement System	537.77	April 2024 PEPRA Contribution #2
04/18/2024	Mountain Democrat	60.70	Public Notice-RTP EIR
04/22/2024	Umpqua Bank	79.95	March 2024 Analyzed Checking Fee
04/23/2024	DKS Associates	5,453.19 *	March 2024 Wildfire Evac Preparedness
04/23/2024	DKS Associates	8,033.12 *	March 2024 Public Outreach -WF Evac Preparedness
04/23/2024	PG&E	467.55	03/13/24-04/11/24 Utilities
04/23/2024	Total Compensation Systems, Inc.	750.00	GASB 75 Roll Forward Valuation 1st Installment
04/29/2024	Sharon Petersen	4,608.00	May 2024 Office Rent
		<u>55,867.75</u>	
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BUSINESS ITEM**STAFF REPORT**

DATE: JUNE 6, 2024
TO: EL DORADO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
FROM: DAN BOLSTER, SENIOR TRANSPORTATION PLANNER
SUBJECT: SENATE BILL 1: STATE OF GOOD REPAIR FISCAL YEAR 2024/25 FUNDING ALLOCATION PROJECT LIST

REQUESTED ACTION

Adopt Resolution 23/24.27 (Attachment A) allocating Senate Bill 1 State of Good Repair Fiscal Year 2024/25 Funds to the El Dorado County Transportation Commission.

BACKGROUND

On April 28, 2017, Governor Brown signed Senate Bill (SB) 1 (Chapter 5, Statutes of 2017), known as the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017. SB 1 will provide approximately \$54 billion in new transportation funding over the next ten years to repair highways, bridges, and local roads, to make strategic investments in congested, commute and freight corridors, and to improve transit service. SB 1 includes the State of Good Repair (SGR) Program which is an investment in public transit that provides approximately \$105 million annually to the State Transit Assistance Account. The goal of the SGR Program is to provide funding for capital assistance to rehabilitate and modernize California's existing local transit systems.

The SGR Program is funded from a portion of a Transportation Improvement Fee on vehicle registrations due on or after January 1, 2018. A portion of the fee is transferred to the State Controller's Office (SCO) for the SGR program. The SCO allocates SGR funds under the State Transit Assistance Program formula to eligible agencies pursuant to Public Utilities Code (PUC) Section 99312.1. Half of the funds are allocated according to population under PUC Section 99313 and half are allocated according to transit operator revenues under PUC Section 99314.

Each year the SCO publishes estimated fiscal year SGR funding levels per PUC 99313 and 99314 according to population and farebox revenues. Per PUC Section 99312.2(c), the only entities eligible to receive direct allocations from the SCO under Sections 99313 and 99314 shall be transportation planning agencies, county transportation commissions, and the San Diego Metropolitan Transit Development Board. El Dorado County Transportation Commission (EDCTC), as a transportation planning agency and transportation commission, is eligible to receive direct allocations from the SCO under Sections 99313 and 99314. As a bus transit operator El Dorado County Transit Authority is an eligible sub-recipient.

EDCTC, as the recipient agency, must submit a list of proposed SGR projects to Caltrans prior to receiving an apportionment of SGR funds in a given fiscal year. Each project proposal must include the project's description and location, a proposed schedule for the project's completion, the estimated useful life of the improvement, and the sub-recipient. Caltrans reviews the project list to ensure it meets the requirements of the SGR Program and then provides the SCO with a list of eligible recipients with approved project lists. The SCO issues and releases PUC Sections 99313 and 99314 payments to the eligible recipient's County Treasurer's Office on a quarterly basis. Each county is expected to sub-allocate the funding pursuant to PUC 99314 to the applicable transit operator according to the amounts provided by the SCO and instructions provided by EDCTC.

DISCUSSION

On January 31, 2024, the SCO provided the following estimate of the amount of SGR funds available to be allocated to EDCTC in FY 2024/25:

- PUC 99313: \$288,746
- PUC 99314: \$19,652
- Total Allocation: \$308,398

Pursuant to PUC 99312.19d0(1), prior to receiving an apportionment of the SGR monies from the SCO for FY 2024/25, EDCTC must submit to Caltrans a list of projects proposed to be funded with the SGR funds. The SGR Program project list must be submitted to Caltrans by September 1, 2024, for EDCTC to be eligible to receive FY 2024/25 SGR funding. The project list shall include the following:

- A cover letter, on agency letterhead, with the original signature of the Executive Director authorizing and approving the list of projects for funding.
- A signed and dated board resolution authorizing the list of projects for SGR funding commitment.
- A proposed list of projects to utilize at a minimum the estimated amount of funding available to the agency for the upcoming fiscal year.

The proposed list of projects must include the following information:

1. Project Title
2. Proposed Project Description
3. Proposed Project Schedule
4. Project Location
5. Estimated Project Cost by Fiscal Year
6. Estimated Useful Life of the Improvement
7. Description of Projected Benefit Outcome

EDCTC, in consultation with El Dorado County Transit Authority, identified the following two projects to be funded with FY 2024/25 SGR funds:

Project Title	Project Description	Project Start Date	Project Completion	2024-25 SGR Costs 99313	2024-25 SGR Costs 99314
Repair and Rehabilitation	Bus Parking Lot Repair and Rehabilitation	07/01/2024	06/30/2025	\$288,746	\$19,652
Vehicle Replacement	Fleet Repair and Rehabilitation	07/01/2024	06/30/2025	\$0	\$0

While El Dorado County Transit Authority plans to expend all the FY 2024/25 SGR funds on the Bus Parking Lot Rehabilitation project, the project list includes the Fleet Repair and Rehabilitation project to provide flexibility in the expenditure of SGR funds if necessary. Pending the EDCTC Board's approval of the proposed SGR list of projects, EDCTC staff will coordinate with El Dorado County Transit Authority staff to complete Caltrans' Project List Template and submit it with the signed cover letter and signed and dated EDCTC Board Resolution to Caltrans by September 1, 2024.

Approved for Agenda:



Woodrow Deloria, Executive Director

Attachment A: EDCTC Resolution 23/24.27



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RESOLUTION 23/24.27

RESOLUTION OF THE EL DORADO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION APPROVING FISCAL YEAR 2024/25 STATE OF GOOD REPAIR LIST OF PROJECTS

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Government Code, Title 7.95, Section 67950, the El Dorado County Transportation Commission (EDCTC) was created as a local planning agency to provide regional transportation planning for the area of El Dorado County, exclusive of the Lake Tahoe Basin; and

WHEREAS, California Government Code Section 29532.1(g) identifies EDCTC as the designated regional transportation planning agency for El Dorado County, exclusive of the Lake Tahoe Basin; and is responsible for the planning, allocating and/or programming of funds; and

WHEREAS, on April 28, 2017, Governor Brown signed Senate Bill (SB) 1(Chapter 5 Statutes of 2017), known as the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017; and

WHEREAS, SB 1 includes the State of Good Repair (SGR) Program which is an investment in public transit that provides approximately \$105 million annually to the State Transit Assistance Account; and

WHEREAS, EDCTC as the Eligible Recipient is responsible to receive, allocate, sub-allocate, administer, and report on SGR funds; and

WHEREAS, the SGR Program Guidelines require EDCTC to submit to the California Department of Transportation by September 1, 2024, a list of all projects proposed to be funded with the Fiscal Year 2024/25 SGR apportionment made available to the region per Public Utilities Code 99313 and 99314; and

WHEREAS, EDCTC consulted with the sole transit operator in the EDCTC region, the El Dorado County Transit Authority, to identify two projects, *Repair and Rehabilitation* and *Vehicle Replacement* to comprise the list of proposed projects to be funded with the Fiscal Year 2024/25 apportionment made available to the region per PUC 99313 and 99314; and

WHEREAS, EDCTC determined that the *Repair and Rehabilitation* and *Vehicle Replacement* projects are consistent with the 2020-2040 El Dorado County Regional Transportation Plan, the SGR Program Guidelines, and are eligible SGR Program projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the El Dorado County Transportation Commission authorizes *Repair and Rehabilitation* and *Vehicle Replacement* as the list of projects for funding with Fiscal Year 2024/25 SGR apportionment made available to the region per Public Utilities Code 99313 and 99314.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the EDCTC Executive Director will submit to the California Department of Transportation by September 1, 2024, the authorized list of projects to be funded with the Fiscal Year 2024/25 SGR apportionment made available to the region per Public Utilities Code 99313 and 99314.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, by the El Dorado County Transportation Commission's governing body at the regular meeting held on June 6, 2024, by the following vote:

Vote Pending

Attest:

Wendy Thomas, Chairperson

Dana Keffer, Secretary to the Commission

BUSINESS ITEM**STAFF REPORT**

DATE: JUNE 6, 2024

TO: EL DORADO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

FROM: DAN BOLSTER, SENIOR TRANSPORTATION PLANNER

SUBJECT: FINAL GREATER PLACERVILLE WILDFIRE EVACUATION PREPAREDNESS, COMMUNITY SAFETY, AND RESILIENCY STUDY

REQUESTED ACTION

Accept the Final Greater Placerville Wildfire Evacuation Preparedness, Community Safety, and Resiliency Study.

BACKGROUND

On February 11, 2021, El Dorado County Transportation Commission (EDCTC) applied for a Caltrans Fiscal Year 2021/22 Sustainable Communities Grant Application for the Greater Placerville Area Wildfire Evacuation Preparedness, Community Safety, and Resiliency Study (Study). On June 22, 2021, Caltrans notified EDCTC that the Study was selected for funding in Fiscal Year 2021/22 with an award of \$250,000. EDCTC committed \$32,390 in Local Transportation Funds as matching funds and awarded the consulting contract to DKS Associates on March 3, 2022, for a not-to-exceed amount of \$247,887.66.

Subsequently, EDCTC was awarded \$75,000 of State Highway Account funding on January 27, 2023, to augment the existing public outreach task to provide the additional public and stakeholder outreach EDCTC believed was necessary to provide the public with the greatest benefit of the planning efforts being led by EDCTC, the El Dorado County Office of Wildfire Preparedness and Resilience, El Dorado and Georgetown Resource Conservation Districts, Cal Fire, Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services, and El Dorado County Fire. The contract with DKS was amended on March 2, 2023, to include the \$75,000 in State Highway Account funds.

DISCUSSION

As the Regional Transportation Planning Agency for the western slope of El Dorado County, EDCTC plans for all modes of transportation, including transportation infrastructure in the context of wildfire evacuation preparedness. On May 27, 2022, the project kickoff meeting was held virtually and included an extensive group of subject matter experts and agency stakeholders including El Dorado County Fire, the City of Placerville, the City of Placerville Police Department, CAL FIRE, El Dorado County Department of Transportation (DOT), El Dorado and Georgetown Divide Resource Conservation Districts (RCD), El Dorado County Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services (OES), El Dorado County Office of Wildfire Preparedness and Resilience (OWPR), El Dorado National Forest, Caltrans District 3, EDCTC, and the DKS consulting team. On September 1, 2022, OWPR, the RCD, and EDCTC convened the Greater Placerville Multi-Project Coordination Meeting to serve as a forum to discuss the three agencies' wildfire preparedness projects, identify gaps and overlaps between the projects, and consider how to provide the public with the greatest benefit from the projects. Monthly meetings of the group were held through the remainder of 2022 with a focus on developing a cohesive public outreach strategy to leverage the agencies' public outreach efforts to ensure that the public and stakeholders were presented with a consistent message when OWPR, the RCD, and EDCTC conducted future outreach efforts. To further coordinate its public outreach efforts with other agencies tasked with wildfire preparedness, EDCTC was subsequently invited to attend the monthly OWPR Public Outreach Committee Meetings that include RCD, Sheriff's OES, CAL FIRE, US Forest Service, City of Placerville, El Dorado County, El Dorado County Fire, Georgetown Fire, El Dorado County Fire

Safe Council, El Dorado Hills Fire District, South Lake Tahoe Fire Rescue, Lake Valley Fire Protection District, and Tahoe Resource Conservation District.

EDCTC aligned the aforementioned stakeholders with other agency personnel into a Project Development Team (PDT) to facilitate agency coordination and partnership. In addition to EDCTC's typical regional transportation planning partners such as the City of Placerville, El Dorado County DOT, Caltrans, and SACOG, the PDT was also comprised of agencies responsible to serve and safeguard the people, property, and resources of El Dorado County from wildfire. EDCTC has the professional transportation planning expertise it needs to fulfill its responsibilities as the Regional Transportation Planning Agency for the west slope of El Dorado County but recognizes that it does not have similar expertise related to wildfire. Recognizing this, EDCTC depended on the first responders and wildfire experts on the PDT to provide the project with the wildfire expertise EDCTC lacked. The project would not have been possible without the collaboration, commitment, and professional dedication the first responders and wildfire experts brought to the project.

The first PDT meeting was held on April 11, 2023, at the City of Placerville Town Hall and provided the PDT with an overview of the project, schedule, and the draft elements of the Existing Conditions Report. The second PDT was held via Zoom on December 18, 2023, to review the draft wildfire scenario modeling results and the draft list of transportation infrastructure improvements and recommendations. Extensive engagement with PDT members was done frequently throughout the development of the Study and at key benchmarks in the planning process.

The project also used a "Virtual Incident Command Team" comprised of representatives from CAL FIRE, Sheriff's OES, El Dorado County Fire, City of Placerville, El Dorado County DOT, and EDCTC to identify four wildfire scenarios to be used to model wildfire evacuation in the project area. The Virtual Incident Command Team met at Sheriff's OES on September 7, 2023, to get concurrence on the four wildfire scenarios and to identify the extent of the evacuation "go now" zones and evacuation "warning" zones needed to inform the scope of the evacuation traffic modeling.

To facilitate public participation in the project, two workshops were held. The first was held on May 17, 2023, in the Planning Commission Hearing Room and provided the public with an overview of the project purpose, review of the elements of the Draft Existing Conditions Report, and project schedule. The second workshop was held virtually on March 19, 2024, and presented the elements of the draft study, overview of the project schedule, provided an opportunity for public comment, and that the draft study would be available on the EDCTC project website on May 2, 2024.

As part of a more focused outreach effort, the project held two community meetings. The first was on September 11, 2023, with the Apple Hill Growers Association and Camino and the second was on September 12, 2023, with the Diamond Springs community. A project overview, project schedule, and question and answer session were provided at each meeting.

A Stakeholder Advisory Committee (SAC) meeting was held to work directly with interested stakeholders on development of the plan and to review the elements of the draft study. The SAC meeting was held on March 19, 2024.

Public outreach also included meetings with eleven fire safe councils located in the project area during February and March 2024. EDCTC and the DKS consultant team, along with staff from Sheriff's OES, provided an overview of the project, shared elements of the draft study and project schedule, took comments, and shared where to find project information on the EDCTC website. It also included "non-traditional" outreach like holding a pop-up outreach event at the Placerville Farmers Market during June 2023, and having a booth during the El Dorado County Fair from June 15-18, 2023.

EDCTC staff also participated in the March 18, 2023, and March 23, 2024, Placerville Wildfire Safety Day events where presentations were made about the project as well as sharing an information table with the RCD.

Based on comments received from the PDT, during two community workshops and a SAC meeting, at meetings with eleven fire safe councils, during two Placerville Wildfire Safety Day Events, at the Apple Hill and Diamond Springs community meetings, and the El Dorado County Fair and Placerville Farmers Market, the Draft Greater Placerville Wildfire Evacuation Preparedness, Community Safety, and Resiliency Study was prepared and released for agency and public comment on May 2, 2024. The only changes made to the Final Greater Placerville Wildfire Evacuation Preparedness, Community Safety, and Resiliency Study were crediting Caltrans for funding the project and ADA-accessibility formatting changes required by Caltrans and the Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant Program.

Approved for Agenda:



Woodrow Deloria, Executive Director

(The Final Study is available on the EDCTC website at <https://www.edctc.org/greater-placerville-wildfire-evacuation-preparedness-community-safety-and-resiliency-study> and in the EDCTC office on CDs by request.)

BUSINESS ITEM**STAFF REPORT**

DATE: JUNE 6, 2024
TO: EL DORADO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
FROM: JERRY BARTON, SENIOR TRANSPORTATION PLANNER
SUBJECT: PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT: 2025-2045 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Executive Director to enter into a professional services agreement between El Dorado County Transportation Commission (EDCTC) and DeNovo Planning Group, to develop the 2025-2045 Regional Transportation Plan Environmental Impact Report for a not-to-exceed amount of \$99,537.

BACKGROUND

State law requires each Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) to adopt and submit an updated Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) to the California Transportation Commission (CTC) and the Department of Transportation (Caltrans) not less than every five years in non-urban regions. RTPs are planning documents developed by RTPAs in cooperation with Caltrans and other stakeholders, including transportation system users. The purpose of the RTP is to establish regional goals, identify present and future needs, deficiencies and constraints, analyze potential solutions, estimate available funding, and propose investments.

EDCTC staff is currently updating the RTP, with the RTP scheduled for adoption in August or September 2025. The RTP Guidelines (GC Section 65080) state the RTP shall include a Policy Element, an Action Element, and a Financial Element. The Draft Policy Element will be considered for approval by the Commission at the June 2024 meeting, and EDCTC staff is in the early stages of completing the Action and Financial Elements.

Protection of the environment is an important public policy goal, and it is an important aspect of public acceptance during project delivery, therefore, best regional planning practices seek to plan and implement transportation projects that avoid or minimize environmental impacts. The RTP and any subsequent revisions, amendments, or updates shall be in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), which states that an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) will be prepared if an action will have a significant effect on the environment.

The RTP planning document, as well as the projects therein, are considered projects under CEQA. Subsequent RTP amendments or updates are discretionary actions that can also trigger CEQA compliance. As defined in CEQA statute section 21065, a project means "an activity which may cause either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, and which is any of the following: (a) An activity directly undertaken by any public agency or (b) An activity undertaken by a person which is supported, in whole or in part, through contracts, grants, subsidies, loans, or other forms of assistance from one or more public agencies".

Many RTPAs prepare a program EIR to analyze the environmental impacts of implementing their RTP. The purpose of the program EIR is to enable the RTPA to examine the overall effects of the RTP i.e., broad policy alternatives, program wide mitigation, growth inducing impacts and cumulative impacts can be considered at a time when the agency has greater flexibility to avoid unnecessary adverse environmental effects. Additionally, the RTP EIR should be crafted in such a manner that allows for environmental documents subsequently prepared for the individual projects to tier off of the program EIR to streamline the process.

DISCUSSION

EDCTC staff distributed the Request for Proposals (RFP) for the 2025-2045 Regional Transportation Plan Environmental Impact Report on April 3, 2024. Notice of the RFP was distributed via email to several consultants, a consultant distribution center, was published in the Mountain Democrat, and was made available online via Facebook and the EDCTC website. Staff received two proposals by the May 6, 2024, deadline, from DeNovo Planning Group and Kimley Horn. Each proposal was evaluated according to the criteria specified in the RFP by EDCTC staff as well as staff from El Dorado County's Departments of Transportation and Long-Range Planning.

The evaluation criteria utilized are as follows:

- Understanding the purpose and requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act, Regional Transportation Plans and Environmental Impact Reports
- Familiarity with the project area and the type of issues and problems associated with the project
- Ability to meet the project's goals and objectives
- Approach to be followed and the tasks to be performed, including detailed steps, resources required, and proposed project schedule
- Qualifications, specific experience, and technical competence of the personnel to be assigned to this contract

Based upon the proposal review and interviews conducted on May 15, 2024, staff recommend DeNovo Planning Group for this contract. Key factors considered by the review panel in making this recommendation are as follows:

- The firm has extensive experience in the development of Regional Transportation Plan EIR's, specifically in counties similar in size and geography to El Dorado County.
- The firm has a very strong understanding of the issues and concerns relative to the El Dorado County Regional Transportation Plan EIR including matters related to air quality, agricultural resources, biology, climate adaptation and resilience, land use, and water resources.
- The firm provides a highly qualified project team with senior level employees doing a majority of the EIR preparation and staff coordination with EDCTC.
- The firm provided a scope of work that detailed the steps and approach for timely completion of tasks necessary to deliver a quality process and legally defensible EIR.

Steve McMurtry will serve as project manager for the 2025-2045 Regional Transportation Plan Environmental Impact Report. Mr. McMurtry is a highly competent project manager who has extensive experience providing environmental services to RTPAs throughout California. A Principal and founder of DeNovo Planning Group located in El Dorado Hills, Mr. McMurtry will serve as EDCTC's point of contact for the project. His environmental experience encompasses field research, public outreach, mitigation development, document writing, permitting, and he has served as an expert witness for CEQA.

DeNovo provided a cost estimate of \$99,537 to complete the EIR scope of work. The EDCTC Overall Work Program (OWP) and Budget for fiscal year 2024/25 includes \$100,000 for an environmental consultant to complete the RTP EIR.

Approved for Agenda:



Woodrow Deloria, Executive Director

Note: Copies of the Request for Proposals and the proposals received are available for review at the EDCTC office.

BUSINESS ITEM**STAFF REPORT**

DATE: JUNE 6, 2024
TO: EL DORADO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
FROM: JERRY BARTON, SENIOR TRANSPORTATION PLANNER
SUBJECT: DRAFT POLICY ELEMENT: 2025-2045 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN

REQUESTED ACTION

Approve the El Dorado County Regional Transportation Plan 2025-2045 *DRAFT* Goals, Objectives, and Strategies (Attachment A) which establishes the framework of the Policy Element of the Regional Transportation Plan.

BACKGROUND

State law requires each Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) to adopt and submit an updated Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) to the California Transportation Commission (CTC) and the Department of Transportation (Caltrans) not less than every five years in non-urban regions. RTPs are developed by RTPAs in cooperation with Caltrans and other stakeholders, including local and regional travelers and users of the transportation system. The purpose of the RTP is to establish regional goals, identify present and future needs, deficiencies and constraints, analyze potential solutions, estimate available funding, and propose investments.

EDCTC staff is currently updating the RTP, with the Final RTP scheduled for adoption in August or September 2025. The RTP Guidelines (GC Section 65080) state the RTP shall include a Policy Element, an Action Element, and a Financial Element.

Federal requirements for the development of RTPs are directed at States and Regional Transportation Planning Agencies, as specified in 23 CFR 450.202. The primary federal requirements regarding RTPs are addressed in the statewide/nonmetropolitan transportation planning and metropolitan transportation planning rules – Title 23 CFR Part 450 and 771 and Title 49 CFR Part 613. These federal regulations incorporating both MAP-21/FAST Act changes were updated by the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration and published in the May 27, 2016, Federal Register.

When applicable, RTPs shall be consistent with federal planning and programming requirements and conform to the RTP Guidelines adopted by the CTC pursuant to Government Code Section 65080(d). In addition, the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and other discretionary funding programs require that projects are identified in an approved RTP.

The RTP is developed to provide a clear vision of the regional transportation goals, objectives, and strategies. This vision must be realistic and within fiscal constraints. In addition to providing a vision, the RTP has many specific functions, including:

1. Providing an assessment of the current modes of transportation and the potential of new travel options within the region
2. Projecting/estimating the future needs for travel and goods movement
3. Identification and documentation of specific actions necessary to address regional mobility and accessibility needs
4. Identification of guidance and documentation of public policy decisions by local, regional, state, and federal officials regarding transportation expenditures and financing and future growth patterns
5. Identification of needed transportation improvements, in sufficient detail, to serve as a foundation for the: (a) Development of the Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) and the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), (b) Facilitation of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)/404 integration process and (c) Identification of project purpose and need

6. Employing performance measures that demonstrates the effectiveness of the system of transportation improvement projects in meeting the intended goals
7. Promotion of consistency between the California Transportation Plan, the RTP, and other plans developed by cities, counties, districts, California Tribal Governments, and state and federal agencies in response to statewide and interregional transportation issues and needs
8. Providing a forum for: (1) participation and cooperation and (2) facilitation of partnerships that reconcile transportation issues which transcend regional boundaries
9. Involving community-based organizations, the public, federal, state, and local agencies, California Tribal Governments, as well as local elected officials, early in the transportation planning process to include them in discussions and decisions on the social, economic, air quality, and environmental issues related to transportation.

Under the terms of our Memorandum of Understanding with the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG), the RTP 2025-2045 will provide the necessary elements to update the El Dorado County component of the SACOG Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (2025 Blueprint).

DISCUSSION

EDCTC continues to utilize an RTP Advisory Committee (RTPAC) as a focal point of our public involvement process because of the positive results achieved through the RTP processes conducted in previous updates. The RTPAC was closely involved in the development of the *Draft Policy Element*.

The RTPAC membership was ratified by the EDCTC Board on November 2, 2023. The advisory committee includes diverse representatives from citizen organizations, interest groups, and government organizations. Two RTPAC meetings have been held thus far on January 20 and April 7, 2024. More than 30 committee members attended each of the meetings which were held virtually.

Outreach efforts for the RTP are ongoing. A Transportation Investments Survey was launched on May 17, 2024, and will remain open until June 17, 2024. The survey link has been made available on the EDCTC web page and Facebook page and has been distributed to the RTP Advisory Committee. The direct link to the survey is here; bit.ly/edctc-survey and the flyer for the survey is included as Attachment B. Additional outreach efforts including several in-person pop-up events are planned in the coming months.

The *Draft Goals, Objectives and Strategies* have been discussed and reviewed by the RTPAC members. Their comments from meeting 2 in April have been incorporated. The Goals, Objectives and Strategies were a significant topic of discussion for the RTPAC members, and their input guided the development of the *Draft* being presented to you today.

The RTP 2025-2045 *Draft Policy Element* will guide the development of the RTP 2025-2045. The Final RTP will be adopted no later than November 2025. The Policy Element will remain in *Draft* form and open for comments until such a time the comprehensive *Draft Regional Transportation Plan* is brought to the EDCTC for approval in fall of 2025. After the Commission's approval of the Policy Element, the *Draft Goals, Objectives, and Strategies* will be made available on the RTP 2025-2045 page of the EDCTC website. Additionally, the Environmental Impact Report will provide another opportunity for input and comment on the RTP.

Approved for Agenda:



Woodrow Deloria, Executive Director

Attachments:

- A: *Draft* RTP 2025-2045 – Goals, Objectives, Strategies
- B: Transportation Investment Survey Flyer

CHAPTER 5: VISION, GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND STRATEGIES

The Policy Element of the Regional Transportation Plan includes a vision, goals, objectives, and strategies to guide planning and investment in the region's transportation systems. Strategies will be performance-based and measurable and consistent with the California Transportation Commission 2024 RTP Guidelines and informed by the California Transportation Plan 2050 Policy Framework. EDCTC's vision, goals, objectives, and strategies were developed with input from the RTP Advisory Committee. They are intended to address the regional transportation needs and to provide guidance and monitoring tools to make informed planning and programming decisions. Within this chapter, these elements are presented by mode or topic area and are not presented in any prioritized manner.

The regional vision provides a framework for making transportation planning decisions based on our shared values and goals. The regional vision demonstrates how EDCTC, working as part of a larger regional context, will contribute to the overall quality of life of the region.

RTP 2045 VISION

Empowering Connectivity, Promoting Resiliency, Preserving Heritage:

EDCTC envisions a future of transportation which reflects and promotes the character of rural, urban, and suburban communities, prioritizes connectivity, adapts to a changing climate, becomes resilient, and serves the needs of all who rely on the transportation system throughout El Dorado County.

Our vision is a Regional Transportation Plan that:

- **Enhances Mobility:** Our plan aims to provide efficient and accessible transportation options, connecting rural regions, agritourism hubs, and communities, fostering economic growth, and safe and sustainable communities.
- **Embraces Innovation:** We anticipate a future where innovative technologies are harnessed to enhance transportation efficiency, safety, and the overall quality of life for residents and visitors alike.
- **Ensures Equitable Access:** Our vision includes a commitment to providing transportation options that are accessible to all, bridging gaps and ensuring that every resident and visitor alike can fully participate in the opportunities El Dorado County has to offer.
- **Celebrate Rural Heritage and Identity:** We see a transportation system that respects and celebrates the distinct identity of our rural communities, preserving their heritage, issues, and opportunities.
- **Empowers Community Engagement:** Through active community involvement, our plan seeks to empower residents to actively shape the transportation future of rural El Dorado County, fostering a sense of ownership and pride.
- **Facilitates Sustainable Living:** We aspire to create a region where sustainable transportation options are not just preferred but celebrated, reducing our environmental impact and promoting a healthier way of life.

As we move forward, EDCTC commits to engage with our communities, listen to their needs, and adapt our plan to reflect the evolving aspirations of El Dorado County. Together, we will shape a transportation future that honors our past, celebrates our present, and charts a safe and sustainable course for generations to come.

GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND STRATEGIES

The goals embody a general set of strategies by which EDCTC, working as part of a regional context comprised of the interests of public citizens, local governments, non-profit organizations, and the business community, help the region achieve the desired future. These goals reflect the region's transportation needs and priorities while the objectives represent a specific need or priority. Strategies are the actual elements EDCTC will implement to achieve the goals and objectives of the 2045 Regional Transportation Plan.

- **Goals** are general statements outlining the desired transportation future reflecting the region's needs and priorities.
- **Objectives** are specific and quantifiable steps toward the realization of those goals.
- **Strategies** outline the approach to be taken to achieve the goals and objectives.

GOAL 1: INTEGRATED REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

Integrate land use, air quality, and public engagement into regional transportation planning and project delivery to better serve the users, enhance the economy, and preserve the environment and community character.

Objective A: Implement a comprehensive work plan which fully integrates regional transportation planning with the diversity of land use, policy, prosperity, community, and environmental factors across the region.

Strategies:

1. Support the implementation of the local jurisdictions General Plans and encourage performance-based multi-modal transportation investments to balance growth, infrastructure costs, and quality of life
2. Ensure transportation planning efforts prioritize community character, recreation and tourism, history, and culture
3. Coordinate the review of land use proposals and policies for consistency with the current RTP
4. Facilitate far-reaching and inclusive public engagement in every stage of the planning process
5. Promote land use planning and community design which minimizes vehicle miles traveled
6. Encourage active transportation and other multi-modal options for all new, proposed, or infill/mixed land uses
7. Champion transportation investments that improve safety, access, and opportunity for all, including those who are vulnerable or at risk such as seniors, youth, and the mobility challenged

Objective B: Support local, state, and regional agencies to ensure the planned transportation infrastructure meets current and long-term transportation needs locally and across the region.

Strategies:

1. Support local jurisdictions to review and assess the impact of new development proposals on transportation system demand including increased vehicle miles traveled and level of service
2. Identify, plan, and deliver necessary transportation improvements in advance of development
3. Work with local jurisdictions to protect transportation corridors and rights-of-way to support opportunities for improved transportation connectivity and parallel capacity to US 50
4. Encourage local jurisdictions to require multi-modal options for high-intensity land uses

5. Recognize the diversity of transportation needs through equitable and accessible transportation choices that are context sensitive and preserve community character, history, and culture

GOAL 2: SUSTAINABLE, ADAPTABLE, RESILIENT

Implement regional transportation investments which provide context sensitive options, embrace emerging technologies, and greatly improve accessibility, adaptability, mobility, and climate emergency preparedness.

Objective A: Prioritize transportation planning and investment which greatly improves severe climate event preparedness, emergency response, and aids in achieving regional greenhouse gas reduction.

Strategies:

1. Work with local jurisdictions, Caltrans, and emergency first responders to incorporate evacuation preparedness into transportation plans, studies, and project designs
2. Coordinate with local agencies, SACOG, Caltrans, and other partners to prioritize transportation projects that minimize vehicle miles traveled while maximizing movement of people and freight
3. Work with El Dorado Transit and local jurisdictions to secure funding for vehicles and facilities to meet the requirements of conversion to zero emission vehicle fleets
4. Consider the health and safety impacts of transportation plans and projects on people and the environment
5. Develop a strategy to integrate zero emission fueling/charging facilities into the existing system
6. Collaborate with local jurisdictions on transportation solutions that mitigate the risk and vulnerability of those living in remote, rural, and otherwise high fire risk areas of the region

Objective B: Plan for and develop innovative transportation solutions which expand mobility options, improve safety and accessibility, and promote long term resiliency and prosperity of the region.

Strategies:

1. Promote expansion of the existing transit service and support emerging transit opportunities
2. Coordinate with local agencies and jurisdictions to broaden mobility awareness including transit routes, micro transit or other pilot programs, senior services, and active transportation
3. Ensure that local jurisdictions embrace emerging technologies and incorporate smart mobility solutions into existing infrastructure, upcoming investments, and long-term plans.

GOAL 3: SURFACE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM

Optimize the existing highways, streets, and roads to enhance maintenance and operations, maximize capacity, and improve safety.

Objective A: Maintain the existing transportation system at a standard which furthers its useful life and continues to support the region's current and future transportation needs.

Strategies:

1. Advocate for the State of California, local, and regional agencies to adopt "state of good repair" as a fundamental principle of transportation planning and programming policy
2. Work through local jurisdictions to identify and prioritize those critical at-risk transportation maintenance needs that without improvement jeopardize safety and operations
3. Support local jurisdictions to maintain and implement pavement management programs which strategically identify and prioritize projects
4. Consider and plan for the cost of maintenance when planning new or expanded transportation infrastructure including transit, streets and roads, and active transportation elements

5. Champion innovative transportation improvements to optimize the existing transportation corridors between the Tahoe Basin and western County line to better serve interregional travelers, the local residents, goods movement, and emergency responders
6. Coordinate with local jurisdictions, partner agencies, stakeholders, and Caltrans to improve access to travel time and system condition information to provide route/trip planning, travel-time reduction, and ingress/egress options

Objective B: Maximize existing transportation facilities to improve safety, preserve community character, improve mobility, and maximize highest and best use of the system.

Strategies:

1. Work with industry experts and local jurisdictions to identify innovative solutions proven to eliminate unsafe, poorly performing, or otherwise undesirable conditions on local and regional roadways
2. Secure funding for and apply those innovative solutions to those facilities which have been identified as under-performing
3. Work with jurisdictions to underground utilities, extend broadband, and address any other linear public utility challenges in conjunction with transportation projects whenever feasible
4. Focus transportation investments that provide for the vulnerable and at-risk residents and compliment community values, history, and character
5. Engage with local agencies to plan, design, and construct transportation projects that protect viewsheds, enhance aesthetics, and compliment surrounding environs
6. Coordinate with local jurisdictions to ensure the availability of transportation options and mobility choices for a diverse population including the aging, youth, and mobility challenged

GOAL 4: PUBLIC TRANSIT

Promote a safe, convenient, welcoming, innovative, desirable, sustainable, and reliable public transit system which is accessible to and provides effective transport across the diverse geography of the region.

Objective A: Focus transit service provision to the region’s diverse characteristics.

Strategies:

1. Encourage the development of innovative transit systems which are effective in serving non-typical transit users such as rural residents, recreation and tourism travelers
2. Work with transit operators, both within El Dorado County and the surrounding Counties, to coordinate with regional transit operators to support transit trips into and out of El Dorado County for employment, education, medical, tourism, and recreation travel purposes
3. Work with local jurisdictions to improve passenger boarding and alighting facilities
4. Work with local jurisdictions to include transit facilities in other transportation projects

Objective B: Promote a transit system that is responsive to the needs of transit-dependent persons.

Strategies:

1. Update and implement the Coordinated Public Transit– Human Services Transportation Plan in coordination with the El Dorado County Transit Authority (EDCTA) and the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG)
2. Assist with the ongoing implementation of the Americans with Disabilities Act transit efforts
3. Promote the provision of discount fares for the low income, elderly, disabled, and students
4. Work with transit providers and social service transportation providers to improve or increase transit services to rural and remote areas

4-5. Work with transit providers and social service providers to meet the needs of seniors and aging populations

GOAL 5: AVIATION

Promote and preserve aviation facilities and services that complement the regional transportation system and support critical emergency response.

Objective A: Promote the operation, preservation, and maintenance of a regional system of public use general aviation airports.

Strategies:

1. Support the role of the three public use airports on the west slope of El Dorado County as critical lifeline resources for emergency response and wildfire fighting
2. Encourage the development of airport facilities and services necessary to satisfy a diversity of user requirements such as plane and small jet sizes and fuel requirements
3. Encourage the safe, orderly, and efficient use of airports, air space, and compatible land uses that are consistent with the Airport Land Use Compatibility Plans (ALUCP) for the Placerville, Georgetown, and Cameron Park Airports
4. Encourage road system maintenance, consistent with appropriate standards that support freight movement and emergency services, to support access to airports

GOAL 6: ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION

Complete and maintain a safe, convenient, and connected active transportation system for all users.

Objective A: Plan and develop an interconnected, safe, and accessible active transportation network throughout the region connecting urban, suburban, and rural communities.

Strategies:

1. Ensure local jurisdictions have current and appropriate Active Transportation Plans that comply with state policies and standards while reflecting the unique needs of local communities
2. Encourage the completion of existing active transportation networks and facilities, with an emphasis on closing gaps and enhancing connectivity between activity centers and homes and providing access for seniors to transit stops
3. Work with local jurisdictions to include active transportation elements with all new construction where feasible and add active transportation elements to existing facilities whenever possible
4. Secure funding for the development and maintenance of active transportation facilities
5. Ensure active transportation facilities are ADA compatible providing access for all users

Objective B: Support local jurisdictions in providing an active transportation system that emphasizes the health, safety, and wellbeing of people as part of a multi-modal transportation system.

Strategies:

1. Encourage local jurisdictions to incorporate active transportation facilities when implementing maintenance improvements or developments to the existing roadway network
2. Encourage local jurisdictions to identify and improve street crossings wherever possible
3. Work with local jurisdictions to prioritize designs that provide for safe use by all modes and users
4. Work with local jurisdictions to remove barriers to develop and encourage safe active transportation to schools
5. Collaborate with neighboring jurisdictions and agencies to build out an interregional active

transportation system across the broader Sacramento region

GOAL 7: TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS MANAGEMENT

Develop and support an integrated transportation system that incorporates multi-modal corridor management solutions and public awareness of mobility options to limit vehicle miles travelled and maximize capacity.

Objective A: Support local jurisdictions and partners in developing corridor-based solutions to congestion reduction and support modal choices and reduction in vehicle miles travelled.

Strategies:

1. Coordinate with Caltrans and local agencies to explore solutions for US 50 including managed lanes, rapid transit, and other corridor-based travel demand management options
2. Work with Caltrans and local agencies to develop a delivery plan and locations for vehicle charging/park-and-ride lots along major corridors and arterials
3. Work with Caltrans and local jurisdictions to focus on safety, climate resiliency, and evacuation preparedness with all new transportation projects and existing transportation infrastructure
4. Strive for full modal integration to provide options for a “complete trip” to include bicycle, pedestrian, transit, and auto for employment, education, and other trips
5. Support the use of public transportation as a transportation control measure to improve throughput and reduce traffic congestion, vehicle emissions, and vehicle miles travelled

Objective B: Support advancement of Transportation Demand Management (TDM) in a manner which reflects the needs of the region and remains current with best practices.

Strategies:

1. Encourage local jurisdictions to integrate multi-modal transit facilities when planning for intensive land uses, mixed use, and infill development
2. Promote the use of school bus transportation, ridesharing, and active transportation
3. Continue the Freeway Service Patrol program along US 50 in El Dorado County
4. Work with local jurisdictions and Caltrans to deploy Intelligent Transportation System elements along primary travel corridors which communicate directly and in real time to the local network
5. Utilize emerging technologies in traveler information dissemination to inform travelers during peak seasonal periods, peak tourism and recreation, and evacuation events

GOAL 8: REGIONAL EQUITY AND COLLABORATION

Engage in inclusive regional transportation planning advancing equity through meaningful transportation investments to empower the historically underserved

Objective A: Increase the commitment, depth, and specificity on engagement of traditionally underrepresented and underserved populations as part of future updates to the Public Participation Plan and other guidance documents by using an equity-focused approach.

Strategies:

1. Identify, designate, and prioritize areas with higher concentrations of underrepresented, underserved, mobility challenged and otherwise vulnerable residents
2. Target place-based engagement in equity focus areas where these people live/work
3. Reduce language and access barriers by providing translation of materials for public review

4. Ratify advisory committees, stakeholder committees, and other structured engagement groups to include representation from all underserved and underrepresented groups
5. Engage with community-based organizations, advocates, and social services agencies to recruit participation in planning events, committees, and engagement efforts

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El Dorado County Transportation Commission (EDCTC)

Transportation Investment Prioritization Survey



Let us know:



What transportation projects should be prioritized?

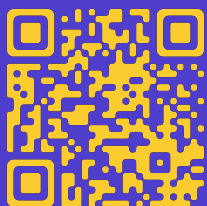


What types of transportation projects should be considered?

We need your input to ensure that the transportation system in western El Dorado County meets your current and future transportation needs!

Take the survey online until **June 17, 2024** and let us know what projects should be prioritized.

Visit the link to take the survey: bit.ly/edctc-survey



About EDCTC: The El Dorado County Transportation Commission ("EDCTC" or the "Commission") is the Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) for El Dorado County. EDCTC represents the regional transportation planning interests and is responsible for coordinating regional transportation for the western slope of El Dorado County and the City of Placerville.

Or scan this QR code with your smart phone!

BUSINESS ITEM**STAFF REPORT**

DATE: JUNE 6, 2024

TO: EL DORADO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

FROM: JERRY BARTON, SENIOR TRANSPORTATION PLANNER

SUBJECT: URBAN SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM RE-PROGRAMMING

REQUESTED ACTION

Adopt Resolution 23/24.28 reprogramming \$465,322 in Urban Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG) funds from the Silva Valley/Harvard Way Intersection Project (Attachment A) to El Dorado County Department of Transportation for the Missouri Flat Road Bicycle and Pedestrian Overcrossing Project.

BACKGROUND

As the Regional Transportation Planning Agency charged with programming federal and state transportation funding for the west slope of El Dorado County, El Dorado County Transportation Commission (EDCTC) is responsible for the programming of STBG funds to projects or programs on the west slope of El Dorado County. Urban STBG funds are reimbursable federal aid funds, subject to all the requirements of Title 23, United States Code. The STBG is the most flexible among all federal-aid highway programs. Eligible costs include planning, preliminary engineering, environmental, right-of-way acquisition, capital costs, and construction costs associated with an eligible activity.

DISCUSSION

In February of 2021, EDCTC programmed an additional \$613,350 in STBG funding to El Dorado County Department of Transportation (DOT) to support construction of the Silva Valley/Harvard Way Intersection Improvements Project. The Silva Valley Intersection project is now complete and closed out, and project costs were lower than anticipated. As a result, \$465,322 in Urban STBG funding remains available for re-programming. Since EDCTC was responsible for programming these funds prior to the Caltrans corrective action which changed the programming authority for Urban STBG funds to SACOG, EDCTC has the authority to re-program these funds.

On May 20, 2024, DOT submitted a funding request letter to EDCTC to help fully fund construction of the Missouri Flat Road Bicycle and Pedestrian Overcrossing Project located along the El Dorado Trail in Diamond Springs. El Dorado County DOT first opened bids for the project on March 18, 2024. Two bids were received and each of them were considerably higher than the engineers' estimate and both exceeded available funding for construction. DOT re-bid the project in April 2024, and while new bids came in lower than the first round, they remain higher than the engineers estimate of \$5,114,545 and programmed funds that are available. The apparent low bidder is Westcon Construction Corp with an overall bid amount of \$5,785,733. With the additional necessary contingency of \$578,573 and costs for construction inspection and testing, estimated at \$910,000, the total funding need is \$7,274,306. Programming the additional requested urban STBG funds will leave a shortfall of \$666,977, which DOT will need to come up with utilizing other fund sources.

In 2023, the Missouri Flat Overcrossing project was awarded SACOG Cycle 6 Regional Active Transportation Program (ATP) funding in the amount of \$3,271,000. EDCTC has previously

programmed STBG, Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) and TDA/LTF Pedestrian and Bicycle funds to support the project. Successful and timely project delivery is critical for ATP projects for jurisdictions to remain eligible for future funding opportunities in the highly competitive program.

Approved for Agenda:



Woodrow Deloria, Executive Director

Attachments: A) EDCTC Resolution 23/24.28
B) Funding Request Letter



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RESOLUTION 23/24.28

RESOLUTION OF THE EL DORADO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION RE-PROGRAMMING URBAN SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM FUNDING FROM THE SILVA VALLEY/HARVARD WAY INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT TO THE MISSOURI FLAT ROAD BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN OVERCROSSING PROJECT

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Government Code, Title 7.95, Section 67950, the El Dorado County Transportation Commission (EDCTC) was created as a local planning agency to provide regional transportation planning for the area of El Dorado County, exclusive of the Lake Tahoe Basin; and

WHEREAS, California Government Code Section 29532.1(g) identifies EDCTC as the designated regional transportation planning agency for El Dorado County, exclusive of the Lake Tahoe Basin; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of EDCTC, under the provisions of the Memorandum of Understanding with the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG), to program and track projects to be funded with Urban Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG) funds; and

WHEREAS, on May 20, 2024, the El Dorado County Department of Transportation (DOT) submitted a request to EDCTC to consider the re-programming of STBG funding to help fully fund the Missouri Flat Road Bicycle and Pedestrian Overcrossing Project located along the El Dorado Trail in Diamond Springs; and

WHEREAS, in February of 2021, EDCTC programmed an additional \$613,350 in STBG funding to support construction of the Silva Valley/Harvard Way Intersection Improvements Project; and

WHEREAS, in 2024, El Dorado County DOT completed project close out on the Silva Valley/Harvard Way Intersection Project, which was completed in September of 2021, and \$465,322 of unobligated STBG funding remains available; and

WHEREAS, the Missouri Flat Road Bicycle and Pedestrian Overcrossing Project has an immediate funding need to award a construction contract and prevent the loss of funds; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the El Dorado County Transportation Commission approves the re-programming of \$465,322 in STBG funds from the Silva Valley/Harvard Way Intersection Improvements Project to the Missouri Flat Road Bicycle and Pedestrian Overcrossing Project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the projects shall be submitted to SACOG for amendment into the Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program, as required.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any remaining unutilized STBG funds shall return to EDCTC for re-programming, as required.

PASSED AND APPROVED, by the El Dorado County Transportation Commission governing body at the regular meeting held on June 6, 2024, by the following vote:

Vote Pending

Attest:

Wendy Thomas, Chairperson

Dana N. Keffer, Secretary to the Commission



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May 20, 2024

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RE: Funding Request for the El Dorado Trail-Missouri Flat Road Bicycle and Pedestrian Overcrossing

Dear Mr. Deloria,

The purpose of this letter is to respectfully request that El Dorado County Transportation Commission (EDCTC) program \$465,332 in STBGP funds that were remaining on the Silva Valley/Harvard Way Intersection Improvement Project, to cover higher than expected bids received for the El Dorado Trail-Missouri Flat Road Bicycle and Pedestrian Overcrossing Project (Project). As demonstrated in previous programmed funds, the Project meets the criteria for funding set forth in the STBGP guidance.

This request is due to unexpected high bids received on May 15, 2024. The County made minor modifications to the construction specifications and readvertised for bids. This effort did bring in more competitive and lower bids but will still require additional funding beyond the current budget.

Thank you for considering this programming request for Urban STBG funding for the Project. If you have any questions or need any additional information, please contact me at (530) 621-5912 or matt.smeltzer@edcgov.us.

Sincerely,

Matthew Smeltzer

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