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MEETING AGENDA

January 11, 2021 – 9:00 A.M.

As authorized by Gov. Newsom’s Executive Orders, N-25-20 and N-29-20, the meeting will be accessible remotely by live cast with Commissioners attending from separate remote locations. There is no physical meeting location. This altered format is in observance of recent recommendations by local officials that certain precautions be taken, including social distancing, to address the threat of COVID-19.

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1. **CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
 - A. Meeting procedures and format (*Gerry LeFrancois*)
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
3. **MINUTES**
 - A. Approval of minutes from December 14, 2020 meeting (**p.1**)
4. **LOCAL TRANSPORTATION**
 - A. Elect a Chair and Vice-Chair for 2021
 - B. Welcome to new Commissioners Supervisor Rhonda Duggan, Councilman Bill Sauser, and Jennifer Burrows
 - C. Resolution for outgoing Commissioner Sandy Hogan (**p.6**)
 - D. Consider Minute Order 21-01 supporting the rescission of SR-120 Freeway agreements between the State and Mono County (**p.7**)
5. **CALTRANS**
 - A. Activities in Mono County and pertinent statewide information

COMMISSIONERS

Jennifer Kreitz John Peters Rhonda Duggan John Wentworth Jennifer Burrows Bill Sauser

6. **TRANSIT**
 - A. ESTA Update – verbal update (*Phil Moores*)
 - B. YARTS Update – verbal update (*Christine Chavez*)

7. **ADMINISTRATION**
 - A. Review and confirm Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) funding for Mono County projects (*Chad Senior*) **(p.10)**

8. **QUARTERLY UPDATES**
 - A. Town of Mammoth Lakes – verbal update (*Haslip Hayes*)
 - B. Mono County (*Chad Senior*) **(p.17)**

9. **CORRESPONDENCE**

No items

10. **COMMISSIONER REPORTS**

11. **INFORMATIONAL**
 - A. Caltrans upcoming grant workshops **(p.21)**

12. **UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS**
 - A. Region-wide GIS tools to integrate recreational use data from trail counts, vehicle counts, etc.
 - B. MOU projects and status
 - C. Continuing update on Tioga Pass coordination for 2021
 - D. Commission review of 2021/22 Overall Work Program

13. **ADJOURN to February 8, 2021**

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DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

December 14, 2020 – 9:00 A.M.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS: John Peters, Fred Stump, Jennifer Kreitz

TOWN COMMISSIONERS: Sandy Hogan, John Wentworth, Dan Holler (as alternate for absent Lynda Salcido)

COUNTY STAFF: Gerry LeFrancois, Wendy Sugimura, Megan Mahaffey, Melissa Bell, Bentley Regehr, Becky Peratt, Chad Senior, Tony Dublino

TOWN STAFF: Hayes Haislip

CALTRANS: Dennee Alcala, Austin West, Mark Heckman, Ryan Dermody, Brandon Fitt

ESTA: Phil Moores

YARTS: Christine Chavez

RSG: Steven Trevino, Maren Outwater, Margaret Campbell

MSWD: Garrett Higerd

Public: Megan Kelly, David Rosky

1. **CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Vice-chair Kreitz called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. Commissioner Stump led the pledge of allegiance.
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** No public comments.
3. **MINUTES**
 - A. Approval of minutes from October 19, 2020

Motion: Approve amended minutes with provided corrections.
Peters/Hogan. Ayes: Peters, Hogan, Wentworth, Stump, Kreitz, Holler
4. **LOCAL TRANSPORTATION**
 - A. Resolution of Appreciation for Commissioner Stump's service on the LTC (*Gerry LeFrancois, Staff & Commission*)

Motion: Approve Resolution of Appreciation for Commissioner Stump's service on the LTC.
Peters/Wentworth. Ayes: Hogan, Peters, Holler, Wentworth, Kreitz. Abstain: Stump

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- B. Update on development of a region wide GIS tool that could integrate recreation use data from trail counters, vehicles counts and other data sources (*Commissioner Wentworth*)
- Commissioner Wentworth presented update on meeting with Caltrans and USFS Region 5 on Caltrans GIS data collection efforts that could lead to increased ATP funding. Gerry LeFrancois suggested postponing next steps until IT staff can become involved. Commissioners asked further questions about the project and Commissioner Wentworth and Gerry LeFrancois responded. There is a need to create a common data set so that when Caltrans analyzes ATP opportunities they can see things not in their current data set, and this provides better quantitative material to make arguments for future funding decisions. The commission will need to discuss whether this gets amended into the Overall Work Program.

5. CALTRANS

- A. Presentation on draft District 9 Origin and Destination (O & D) Study by Caltrans consultant RSG
- Steven Trevino, Margaret Campbell, and Maren Outwater of RSG presented. The O&D study is a 10-year report going back to 1979, and this is the 2020 version. Presenters discussed the background of the study; Location-based Service (LBS) results including network expansion of LBS data, visitor travel, air travel and points of interest; Origin-Destination survey results including visitor travel and respondent profiles; and study highlights.
 - Commissioners commented on the presentation and asked questions of the RSG consultants. Commissioner Hogan noted some corrections to the presentation. Commissioner Wentworth inquired about the degree to which this data is public data. Response was that the data that is provided to Caltrans will be accessible, but the underlying big data will not be made available. He also inquired further about the granularity of the origins and destinations data that will be made public. Response was that this is aggregated public-level data but the data can be looked at in many different ways and that more detail can be provided. Commissioner Wentworth asked if only big data was used for 2020 and if allowances were made for COVID. Big data was available for 2019 as well, it was the survey that was only available for 2020; COVID was not taken into account. This was an O&D study not a COVID O&D study. Commissioner Peters asked for clarification on the Bridgeport MWTC being called out versus Antelope Valley. Response was that in developing O&D points they realized there was a large residential facility for the BP MWTC. They identified that and the residential area in AV as one area and the actual MWTC as a separate area so they could identify trips between the two nodes. Commissioner Peters also noted that this sort of information is important for multiple reasons. Commissioner Kreitz asked for clarification on the average length of trip. Response that the discrepancy is accounted for in the difference between the survey results versus the big data results. Commissioner Kreitz would also like to know how O&D studies have been used in the past by the LTC.

Break - 10:32 a.m. to 10:40 a.m.

- B. District 9 State Highway Operation and Project Program (SHOPP) presentation for review and comment
- Brandon Fitt from Caltrans presented on how asset management impacts the SHOPP, which funds the repair, preservation, emergency repair, safety improvements and some highway operational improvements on the State Highway System. The focus is on four core assets which are pavement, drainage, bridges, and ITS/TMS elements (i.e. signals and count stations). The 10-year plan for projects in Mono County includes 10 projects totaling \$167.7M.

- Questions followed. Commissioner Stump asked if an announcement like Pedestrian Safety Month plays into this kind of planning. Brandon Fitt responded that they are looking for any way to increase safety within these projects. Commissioner Hogan asked whether something like wildlife crossings may someday appear in SHOPP. Brandon Fitt responded that it would require that that become one of the assets they are directed to address. Ryan Dermody added that they have 37% of what they need to maintain existing system so anything added on top would be difficult. Commissioner Hogan suggested that if Fish & Wildlife could get involved in a wildlife crossing, having two state agencies could help get funding for additional projects. Commissioner Peters asked how likely it would be that projects in post-planning would happen. Brandon Fitt responded that all of the money has been allocated to all of those projects and that money has been set aside so he doesn't see why it wouldn't happen, it just might take longer due to environmental issues. Commissioner Peters followed up to ask about the impact of having an SB1 priority, and if that would accelerate a project. Brandon Fitt responded that is just a way for the state to track all SB1 projects and Ryan Dermody that without that list, those projects would likely not happen. Commissioner Wentworth did not see anything on the list for Mammoth Lakes other than Hwy 203 and wanted to confirm that was the only one on the list, Brandon Fitt confirmed it is. Commissioner Wentworth also asked for clarification on the calendar year and Brandon Fitt confirmed it is the state fiscal year, July 1 to June 30.
- Gerry LeFrancois added that the Wildlife Steering Committee met last week and asked if that is tied to the Sonora Junction Project. Brandon Fitt confirmed that it is and that they are looking at at least one crossing within that project. Commissioner Peters followed up to ask if the hardware for the wildlife crossing is sitting in the yard at the Sonora Junction, and Ryan Dermody confirmed. Ryan further added that SHOPP projects, which are the big projects, are separate from the Highway Maintenance program, and that this is not an all encompassing list of projects in Mono County over the next 10 years. Commissioner Kreitz asked for whether the projects on the list are for sure going to move forward or whether things could change. Brandon Fitt confirmed that anything on top in the lighter shade is set in stone, anything from 203 down is possibly in flux depending on money allocated in next couple of months. Commissioner Kreitz followed up to confirm that an updated State Highway System Management Plan and Brandon confirmed that will be reviewed in another three months and that it could come to the LTC within a month or two.

At 11:02 a.m. Commissioner Holler had to leave the meeting to join the EOC COVID meeting.

C. Activities in Mono County and pertinent statewide information

- Ryan Dermody: Provided update on the District 9 teleworking situation and the closure status of various passes and roads due to winter snow. Informed the commission that they are changing their GPS system on their fleet and this won't show up for a month or two so if people can't see snow plows on QuickMap that is why.
- Austin West: Attended the Planning Economic Development Commission last week and is working with the Town on the parcel, and is working on updates for Antelope Valley and Bridgeport RPACs.
- Mark Heckman: Reminded the commission that Mammoth Mobility Hub is due on February 28, 2021. Planning on attending Antelope Valley and Bridgeport RPACs in January to provide updates.
- Denee Alcalá: Reported on work happening right now in Mono County.
- Commissioner Wentworth followed up on the Mobility Hub due on February 28 and Mark clarified that the study is not due on that date, but that work cannot proceed past that date. Commissioner Kreitz asked if that would come before the LTC, and Haislip Hayes confirmed the report will come before the LTC and then be rolled up into the Regional Transportation Plan. Timeframe for this is late spring.

6. TRANSIT

A. Eastern Sierra Transit Authority (ESTA) monthly update (*Phil Moores*)

- Phil Moores reported that all COVID mitigation has been successful. Also reported on ridership percentages, bus driver recruitment, and administrative positions that need to be filled. Discussed an upcoming kick-off meeting for a Short Range Transit Plan and a meeting with a non-profit to apply for a grant to develop a zero emissions plan. Reported on a program to potentially help fulfill funding for a new ESTA building in Bishop, which would protect ESTA's reserves. ESTA's reserves are healthy and in a good place. Discussed the new route from Walker to Mammoth Lakes, and minimal cutbacks to service in Mammoth Lakes due to the Stay-At-Home order.
- Commissioner Peters brought up an issue for Walker and Coleville residents in the aftermath of the MVF having to go to Bridgeport for medical services. Phil noted that there is a bus line to Bridgeport that has service on Tuesday and confirmed it would be a long wait in Bridgeport for the service. Will further discuss this situation offline in the event of demand for higher service.

B. Yosemite Area Regional Transportation System (YARTS) monthly update (*Christine Chavez*)

- Christine Chavez provided updates for YARTS. Tuolumne County has joined the JPA which means increased membership dues. YARTS is undertaking strategic planning to determine the direction of the system for the next couple of years. Discussed adjustments given the new state restrictions. Mentioned the challenges of dealing with an aging fleet and planning for capital in the context of the strategic plan. Provided stats on 5-year historical data for ridership.

7. ADMINISTRATION

A. Tioga Pass Opening Procedures – verbal update (*Gerry LeFrancois & Tony Dublino*)

- Gerry LeFrancois discussed kick-off call with NPS. The number one goal for NPS is of course safety. NPS has implied that the road was not designed as an all-weather road and there are severe drainage issues. They have a huge backlog of maintenance projects, updating sewage treatment is a financial lift, and the Tuolumne Meadows sewage facility is over 30 years old, therefore one rationale for not opening the park is not weather related but facilities related. Discussed keeping the road open later in the fall. NPS will consider it, but when there are icy spots and they have to put in money to Tioga Pass, that takes from winter maintenance dollars for the Valley, Hwy 41, and 120.
- Tony Dublino further emphasized the flooding and mudslides due to drainage issues after the 2018/19 winter, and that if resources are going to be diverted to accelerate opening we need to try to make sure we are not in a situation where resources have been diverted only for the road opening to be delayed due to other considerations. To the extent that commissioners have with relationships with park leadership, encourage mentioning this to them.
- Commissioner Hogan will follow up with contacts to find out more information and will get back to Gerry and Tony. She also suggested speaking with Mammoth Mountain on the safety issues, and brought up allowing for a pass-through rather than a full opening. Tony responded that the Park Service feels that because Tioga Pass is itself a destination with massive tourism, that even a pass-through would present challenges.
- Commissioner Wentworth suggested getting this item on the Eastern Sierra Sustainable Recreation Partnership agenda.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

A. District 9 letter regarding multi-use path in Lee Vining

- Gerry LeFrancois reported that this is an ongoing Caltrans effort to find resolution to a YARTS stop and a project site, back and forth to the town of Lee Vining.
- Commissioner Stump thanked Caltrans and emphasized that this puts in writing what has

been talked about, and that is a big step. Commissioners Kreitz and Stump agreed this would be useful in upcoming board discussion.

- Ryan Dermody responded that Caltrans is committed to this path, just need to find the route and funding.

9. COMMISSIONER REPORTS

- Commissioner Hogan: No report
- Commissioner Peters: Update on Conway cameras (they are working), radar signs, light poles, Bodie Road, and Hwy 182 passing opportunity. Discussed Caltrans response and support after Mountain View Fire. Discussed how important transportation and broadband is for connectivity.
- Commissioner Wentworth: Provided an update on the parcel in Mammoth Lakes and noted that parking challenges have not been solved. The Mobility project is a key to connectivity in Mammoth Lakes which will be a challenge for the Town in the years moving forward. Caltrans and BLM are now part of the ESSRP and are speaking with the Park Service.
- Commissioner Stump: Update on conversations with Madera County Supervisor about Red's Meadow.
- Commissioner Kreitz: No report

10. INFORMATIONAL

- A. California Road Charge Demonstration Project (moved to future meeting)

11. UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Region wide GIS tools to integrate recreational use data from trail counts, vehicle counts, etc
- B. MOU update, project(s) status
- C. Election of Chair (County) and Vice Chair (Town of Mammoth Lakes)
- D. Continued Tioga Pass discussion with National Park Service
 - Commissioner Kreitz noted additional items for future agendas: O&D report will be shared and may want to agendize that item, need for discussion on wildlife crossing, and Mobility Hub a few months out. Gerry LeFrancois also noted that the 20/21 Overall Work Program is coming up and the draft is due to Caltrans in March. In February we will have a more in-depth review.

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A RESOLUTION OF THE MONO COUNTY LOCAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION RECOGNIZING SANDY HOGAN FOR HER SERVICE AS A COMMISSIONER

WHEREAS Sandy Hogan moved to Mono County in 1995 to become an Assistant Forest Supervisor in charge of approximately 2 million acres in the Eastern Sierra, and has been one of the most passionate and vocal members of our community for 26 years; and

WHEREAS Sandy Hogan's work on transportation issues goes back to at least 2002 with the Inyo National Forest looking at Alternative Transportation Systems (ATS) to the forest, including current transit providers Yosemite Area Regional Transportation System (YARTS), Inyo-Mono Transit, the Carson Ridgecrest Eastern Sierra Transit (CREST) route, and the Reds Meadow Devils Postpile shuttle that culminated into the Eastern Sierra Expanded Transit System (ESETS) report; and

WHEREAS Commissioner Hogan was first appointed to the Local Transportation Commission as a Mono County alternate member for Commissioner Tom Farnetti in 2010 and later became a public member for the Town of Mammoth Lakes replacing John Armstrong in 2012; and

WHEREAS Commissioner Hogan has served on numerous citizen's groups, commissions and committees over the years, especially recognizing her involvement on the YARTS Authority Advisory Committee (AAC) going back to 2007; and

WHEREAS Commissioner Hogan's 10 years of involvement on the Local Transportation Commission included yearly adoption of the Overall Work Program (OWP), public input and approval of Unmet Transit Needs, and the allocation of funds for transit to the Eastern Sierra Transportation Authority (ESTA) governed by the Transportation Development Act (TDA); and

WHEREAS Commissioner Hogan has supported local, regional, and state transportation projects every two years to implement the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) with significant funding through the Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP); and has supported the regional efforts to improve US 395 and SR 14 through Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) projects with the Inyo County Local Transportation Commission, Kern Council of Governments, San Bernardino County Transportation Authority, and Caltrans; and

WHEREAS working with Commissioner Hogan over the years has been a privilege; and her attention to detail in reviewing countless draft documents and commission minutes, her meeting preparedness and thoughtful questions, and problem-solving, will be greatly missed on the Local Transportation Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mono County Local Transportation Commission expresses sincere appreciation to Commissioner Sandy Hogan for her years of service to the citizens of Mono County and wishes her all the best in the years ahead. Approved January 11, 2021.

Bill Sauser

John Peters

Rhonda Duggan

John Wentworth

Jennifer Burrows

Jennifer Kreitz

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LTC Staff Report

TO: Mono County Local Transportation Commission

DATE: January 11, 2021

FROM: Gerry Le Francois, Co-Executive Director
Bentley Regehr, Planning Analyst

SUBJECT: Approve Minute Order supporting the rescission of State Route 120 freeway agreement with Mono County

RECOMMENDATION

Approve Minute Order 21-01 supporting the rescission of the State Route 120 freeway agreements.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

Unknown at this time

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE

Not applicable at this time

RTP/RTIP CONSISTENCY

A four-lane expressway is not supported in the Regional Transportation Plan

DISCUSSION

Adoption of the Minute Order would support the rescission of 1961 and 1964 State Route (SR) 120 freeway agreements between Mono County and the State of California. State Route 120 is currently a two-lane road that has a freeway designation through the aforementioned agreements, which potentially allow for conversion to a four-lane expressway. A rescission is recommended by Caltrans District 9 and LTC staff due to the determination that SR 120 is unlikely to ever require conversion to a four-lane expressway due to seasonal closures and low projected traffic volumes based on growth rates.

The existing agreements could allow for expansion of State Route 120, but this would conflict with policies in the Mono County Regional Transportation Plan. The rescission of the freeway agreements will provide greater design flexibility in regard to complete streets (e.g., multi-modal pedestrian and bicycle facilities) and may provide increased Caltrans encroachment permit flexibility. Rescinding the freeway agreements will not have impact on Caltrans' access control for the road.

Below are Regional Transportation Plan policies that support the rescission of existing freeway agreements.

Mono County Regional Transportation Plan, Lee Vining Community Policies

Policy 22.A.2. Fully consider the safety needs of cyclists and pedestrians, as well as motorists, in the design and maintenance of highway improvements.

Action 22.A.2.a. Work with Caltrans, the Mono County LTC, and other applicable agencies to ensure that pedestrian needs and opportunities are addressed in the design and environmental assessment phases of road projects.

Mono County Regional Transportation Plan, Yosemite Community Policies.

Objective 23.B. Improve opportunities for access by alternative modes (transit, bicycles, pedestrians, air, other non-auto modes).

Policy 23.B.1 In support of YARTS regional transit and other alternative modes for access to Yosemite, encourage multi-modal infrastructure projects that complement the gateway communities, emphasize alternatives to auto, and integrate joint use of facilities.

Policy 23.B.4. Maintenance and improvement projects on SR 120 should focus on accommodating alternative transportation modes, particularly cycling. Provide connections to trails, appropriate signage, and staging areas for cyclists.

Policy 23.B.5. Encourage Yosemite National Park, Caltrans, and Mono County to work cooperatively to develop bicycle facilities on SR/Highway 120 both within and outside the Park.

Policy 24.D.5. Maintenance and improvement projects on SR/Highway 120 should focus on improving safety, including providing turnouts to allow for safe stops and passing areas, and/or a fast lane/express lane for buses and pass holders (e.g., Wawona Road). Facilities for cyclists and pedestrians should include trailhead parking retention, signage, safe road crossings, etc.

This item is scheduled for the Board of Supervisor consideration at the January 19. The final decision of state highway rescission is approved or denied by the California Transportation Commission.

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MINUTE ORDER M21-01

Support for the rescission of State Route 120 freeway agreements

At the Mono County LTC meeting of January 11, 2021, it was moved by Commissioner _____ and seconded by Commissioner _____ to support the rescission of the 1961 and 1964 freeway agreements between the State of California and Mono County State Route 120.

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Attest:

Becky Peratt, LTC Secretary

cc: Caltrans
Board of Supervisors



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January 11, 2021

To: Mono County Local Transportation Commission

From: Chad Senior, Mono County Associate Engineer

RE: 2019-20 Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) Federal Exchange Program

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Authorize spending RSTP Federal Exchange Program for FY 2019-20 in the amount of \$39,356.25 for the Emergency Eastside Lane Guardrail Replacement Project

DISCUSSION

The Mono County Local Transportation Commission has a pending RSTP Federal Exchange Agreement, which contains \$92,171.00 of federal funds that the Mono County LTC is eligible to exchange. The RSTP exchange funds must be used for projects as defined in Sections 133(b) and 133(c) of Title 23 of the United States Code (USC) – Highways, and not otherwise excluded by Article XIX – Motor Vehicle Revenues of the State Constitution. Only direct project-related costs are eligible. Local agency overhead and other non-direct charges are ineligible. As per prior RSTP agreements, LTC staff is bringing forward a preferred project for spending the 2019-20 RSTP exchange for authorization. Note, the remaining RSTP funds will be used on a future Mono County project with request for authorization at a later date.

Staff recommends the 2019-20 exchange be spent on the Emergency Eastside Lane Guardrail Replacement Project and a future Mono County project.

Prior uses of RSTP funds include:

- Lake Mary Road Sidewalk
- Mono County Road Striping Materials and Equipment
- Town of Mammoth Lakes Berner Street Lighting
- Town of Mammoth Lakes Main Street Pedestrian Improvements
- Mono County Upper Summers Meadows Road Bridge

ATTACHMENT

- RSTP Federal Exchange Program - Contract

FEDERAL APPORTIONMENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AGENCY

District: 09
Agency: Mono County Transportation Commission

Agreement No. X20-6142(029)
AMS Adv ID:0920000033

THIS AGREEMENT is made on November 5, 2020, by Mono County Transportation Commission, a Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) designated under Section 29532 of the California Government Code, and the State of California, acting by and through the Department of Transportation (STATE).

WHEREAS, RTPA desires to assign RTPA's portion of federal apportionments made available to STATE for allocation to transportation projects in accordance with Section 182.6 of the Streets and Highways Code (Regional Surface Transportation Program/Regional Surface Transportation Block Grant Program [RSTP/RSTBGP] funds) in exchange for nonfederal State Highway Account funds:

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties agree as follows:

1. As authorized by Section 182.6(g) of the Streets and Highways Code, RTPA agrees to assign to STATE the following portion of its estimated annual RSTP/RSTBGP apportionment:

\$92,171.00 for Fiscal Year 2019/2020

The above referenced portion of RTPA's estimated annual RSTP/RSTBGP apportionment is equal to the estimated total RSTP/RSTBGP apportionment less (a) the estimated minimum annual RSTP/RSTBGP apportionment set for the County under Section 182.6(d)(2) of the Streets and Highways Code, (b) any Federal apportionments already obligated for projects not chargeable to said County's annual RSTP/RSTBGP minimum apportionment, and (c) those RSTP/RSTBGP apportionments RTPA has chosen to retain for future obligation.

2. RTPA agrees the exchange for County's estimated annual RSTP/RSTBGP minimum apportionment under Section 182.6(d)(2) of the Streets and Highways Code will be paid by STATE directly to Mono County.

For Caltrans Use Only

I hereby Certify upon my own personal knowledge that budgeted funds are available for this encumbrance

Accounting Officer	Date	\$
<i>Jennie Yee</i>	<i>3/4/2020</i>	<i>92,171.00</i>

3. Subject to the availability of STATE funds following the receipt of an RTPA invoice evidencing RTPA's assignment of those estimated RSTP/RSTBGP funds under Section 1 to STATE, STATE agrees to pay to RTPA an amount not to exceed \$92,171.00 of non-federal exchange funds ("Funds") that equals the sum of the estimated RSTP/RSTBGP apportionment assigned to State in Section 1 above.

4. RTPA agrees to allocate all of these Funds only for those projects implemented by cities, counties, and other public transportation agencies as are authorized under Article XIX of the California State Constitution, in accordance with the requirements of Section 182.6(d)(1) of the Streets and Highways Code.

5. RTPA agrees to provide to STATE annually by each August 1 a list of all local project sponsors allocated Funds in the preceding fiscal year and the amounts allocated to each sponsor.

6. RTPA agrees to require project sponsors receiving those Funds provided under this AGREEMENT to establish a special account for the purpose of depositing therein all payments received from RTPA pursuant to this Agreement: (a) for cities within their Special Gas Tax Street Improvement Fund, (b) for counties, within their County Road Fund, and (c) for all other sponsors, a separate account.

7. RTPA agrees, in the event a project sponsor fails to use Funds received hereunder in accordance with the terms of this AGREEMENT, to require that project sponsor to return those exchange Funds to RTPA for credit to the account established under Section 6 above. In the event of any such requirement by STATE, RTPA shall provide written verification to STATE that the requested corrective action has been taken.

8. STATE reserves the right to reduce the STATE Funds payment required hereunder to offset such additional obligations by the RTPA or any of its sponsoring agencies against any RSTP/RSTBGP federal apportionments as are chargeable to, but not included in, the assignment made under Section 1 above.

9. COST PRINCIPLES

A) RTPA agrees to comply with, and require all project sponsors to comply with Office of Management and Budget Supercircular 2 CFR 200, Cost Principles for State and Local Government and the Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Governments.

B) RTPA will assure that its fund recipients will be obligated to agree that (A) Contract Cost Principles and Procedures, 48 CFR, Federal Acquisition Regulations System, Chapter 1, Part 31, Et Seq., shall be used to determine the allowability of individual project cost items and (B) Those parties shall comply with Federal Administrative Procedures in accordance with 2 CFR 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements To State And Local Governments. Every sub-recipient receiving funds as a contractor or sub-contractor under this agreement shall comply with Federal administrative procedures in accordance with 2 CFR 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Governments.

C) Any fund expenditures for costs for which RTPA has received payment or credit that are determined by subsequent audit to be unallowable under Office of Management and Budget Supercircular 2 CFR 200 are subject to repayment by RTPA to STATE. Should RTPA fail to reimburse fund moneys due STATE within 30 days of demand, or within such other period as may be agreed in writing between the parties, hereto, STATE is authorized to intercept and withhold future payments due RTPA and STATE or any third-party source, including but not limited to, the State Treasurer, The State Controller and the CTC. The implementation of the Supercircular will cancel 49 Cfr Part 18.

10. THIRD PARTY CONTRACTING

A) RTPA shall not award a construction contract over \$10,000 or other contracts over \$25,000 [excluding professional service contracts of the type which are required to be procured in accordance with Government Code Sections 4525 (d), (e) and (f)] on the basis of a noncompetitive negotiation for work to be performed using Funds without the prior written approval of STATE.

B) Any subcontract or agreement entered into by RTPA as a result of disbursing Funds received pursuant to this AGREEMENT shall contain all of the fiscal provisions of this Agreement; and shall mandate that travel and per diem reimbursements and third-party contract reimbursements to subcontractors will be allowable as project costs only after those costs are incurred and paid for by the subcontractors.

C) In addition to the above, the preaward requirements of third party contractor/consultants with RTPA should be consistent with Local Program Procedures as published by STATE.

11. ACCOUNTING SYSTEM

RTPA, its contractors and subcontractors shall establish and maintain an accounting system and records that properly accumulate and segregate Fund expenditures by line item. The accounting system of RTPA, its contractors and all subcontractors shall conform to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), enable the determination of incurred costs at interim points of completion, and provide support for reimbursement payment vouchers or invoices.

12. RIGHT TO AUDIT

For the purpose of determining compliance with this AGREEMENT and other matters connected with the performance of RTPA's contracts with third parties, RTPA, RTPA's contractors and subcontractors and STATE shall each maintain and make available for inspection all books, documents, papers, accounting records, and other evidence pertaining to the performance of such contracts, including, but not limited to, the costs of administering those various contracts. All of the above referenced parties shall make such materials available at their respective offices at all reasonable times for three years from the date of final payment of Funds to RTPA. STATE, the California State Auditor, or any duly authorized representative of STATE or the United States Department of Transportation, shall each have access to any books, records, and documents that are pertinent for audits, examinations, excerpts, and transactions, and RTPA shall furnish copies thereof if requested.

13. TRAVEL AND SUBSISTENCE

Payments to only RTPA for travel and subsistence expenses of RTPA forces and its subcontractors claimed for reimbursement or applied as local match credit shall not exceed rates authorized to be paid exempt non-represented State employees under current State Department of Personnel Administration (DPA) rules.

If the rates invoiced are in excess of those authorized DPA rates, then RTPA is responsible for the cost difference and any overpayments shall be reimbursed to STATE on demand.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
Department of Transportation

Mono County Transportation Commission

By: Patrick Louie
Office of Project Implementation
Division of Local Assistance

Date: November 5, 2020

By: Amy Hancock
Title: Co-Executive Director
Mono County LTC
Date: July 6, 2020

RESOLUTION R20-08
A RESOLUTION OF THE MONO COUNTY LOCAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
AUTHORIZING THE CO-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE ON FUNDING
AGREEMENTS

WHEREAS, the Mono County Local Transportation Commission (hereinafter identified as the MCLTC) is the designated transportation planning agency for Mono County pursuant to Section 29535 of the Government Code and Action of the Secretary to Business, Transportation and Housing; and

WHEREAS, Caltrans, Federal Transit Administration (FTA), and/or Federal Highways Administration (FHWA) has numerous agreements and paperwork to authorize and allow for state or federal planning funds to be passed through to regional agencies; and

WHEREAS, these planning funds may include state Rural Planning Assistance (RPA), Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP), Highway Infrastructure Program (HIP), discretionary grant components of federal planning grants and any other federal or state funds administered by and through Caltrans; and

WHEREAS, this resolution authorizes the Co-Executive Director to sign necessary agreements to reimburse or receive pass through funding for the MCLTC.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the MCLTC hereby authorizes the Co-Executive Director signature on reimbursement requests, various grant components, and pass through funding agreements.

Approved and adopted this 10th day of August 2020, by the following vote:

Ayes: Sandy Hogan, John Peters, Fred Stump, John Wentworth, Dan Holler, Jennifer Kreitz

Noes:

Abstain:

Absent:


 Jennifer Kreitz (Sep 7, 2020 16:08 PDT)

 Jennifer Kreitz, Chair
 Mono County Local Transportation Commission

Approved as to form:


 Christy Milovich (Sep 8, 2020 12:36 PDT)

 Christy Milovich, Assistant County Counsel

ATTEST:


 Melissa Bell (Sep 4, 2020 18:31 MDT)

 Melissa Bell, Secretary

Mono County Local Transportation Commission

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LTC Staff Report

TO: Mono County Local Transportation Commission

DATE: January 11, 2021

FROM: Chad Senior, Associate Engineer

SUBJECT: Update on Mono County Transportation Projects

RECOMMENDATIONS: Receive quarterly update from Mono County regarding status of transportation projects.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS: n/a

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE: Environmental compliance is determined during appropriate component of project development on a project by project basis.

RTP / RTIP CONSISTENCY: These projects are programmed in previous STIP cycles and under Mono County's 5-year Capital Improvement Program. Consistency with the RTP/RTIP was established at time of programming.

DISCUSSION:

Status of current projects.

Projects Underway

PROJECT	DESIGN FEATURES	STATUS
Airport Road Rehabilitation Project (STIP – Federal Funding)	This project will rehabilitate pavement on Airport Road and a portion of Hot Creek Hatchery Road providing access to the Mammoth Yosemite Airport. Roads will be widened to provide paved bike lanes.	Construction Phase – Contract awarded; Start of construction spring 2021.
Long Valley Streets Project (STIP – State-Only Funding)	This project will rehabilitate existing pavement on the following roads: Substation Road, Crowley Lake Place, Meadow View Drive, Lake Manor Place, Aspen Terrace, Delta Drive, Hilton Creek Drive, Hilton Creek Place, Crowley Lake Circle, Elderberry Lane, Placer Road (portion), Pearson Road, Wildrose Drive, Sierra Springs Road, Sunny Slopes Road, Wheeler View Drive, Montana Road, Foothill Road, and the westerly portion of Mountain View Drive.	PS&E Phase – engineered road plans in progress Plan to begin construction phase / bidding by June 2021.
Twin Lakes Road Maintenance Project (RMRA Funding)	This project will slurry seal Twin Lakes Road and restore paint striping.	Construction Phase – Contract awarded; Start of construction spring 2021.
Virginia Lakes Road Maintenance Project (RMRA Funding)	This project will slurry seal Virginia Lake Road and restore paint striping.	PS&E Phase – engineered road plans in progress Bidding and construction summer 2021.
Emergency Eastside Lane Guardrail Replacement (CalOES Disaster Funding with 25% Local Match)	This project will replace the Eastside Lane guardrails destroyed by the Mountain View fire.	Construction Phase – Work to begin late January 2021.

Upcoming Projects in 2021

PROJECT	DESIGN FEATURES	Proposed Timeframe
Upper Rock Creek Road Repairs (RMRA Funding and possibly RSTP)	Repair damage pavement due to roadside drainage issues. Install drainage corrective measures.	Construction fall 2021 – as County staff time permits.
Bridge Maintenance Project – Phase 1 (RMRA Funding)	Bridge deck maintenance treatments on relevant bridges throughout the county.	Construction summer 2021 or 2022 – as County staff time permits.
Mono County Road Standards Update (LTC RPA)	This project will update Mono County’s road standards and associated construction details.	Completion by June 2021.

Potential Future Projects

POTENTIAL PROJECTS	DESIGN FEATURES	STATUS / POTENTIAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
Mono County Systemic Safety Curve Signage Project (HSIP)	Installation / upgrade of curve warning signs throughout the county. Installation of curve chevron signs at relevant curve locations. Upgrade existing sign reflectivity.	Funding for this project was applied for under the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP), Cycle 10. Engineer’s Estimate: \$209,500
Mono County Guardrail Replacement Project Phase 1 (HSIP)	Upgrade of existing guardrail at select locations throughout the county.	Funding for this project was applied for under the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP), Cycle 10. Engineer’s Estimate: \$1,002,000
Mono County Right-Edgeline Project (HSIP)	Restore right-edgeline paint striping on the northerly portion of Lower Rock Creek Road, Benton Crossing Road, North Shore Dr, Topaz Lane, and a Eastside Lane (south of Larson lane).	Funding for this project was applied for under the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP), Cycle 10. Engineer’s Estimate: \$261,000

Potential Future Projects - continued

POTENTIAL PROJECTS	DESIGN FEATURES	STATUS / POTENTIAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
Local Road Safety Plan (LRSP)	Plan to create the framework to systematically identify and analyze safety problems and recommend safety improvements. Facilitates the development of local agency partnerships and collaboration to address Mono County road safety issues.	This project would expand the recently completed Systemic Safety Analysis Report Program (SSARP). LRSP will be required for obtaining HSIP funding in 2022. (Future - LTC RPA??)
Mono County Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP) Project	Rehabilitation / Restoration / Construction / Reconstruction of road, bridge, trail or transit system providing access to or within public lands.	Call for projects opened Dec 8 th and will close in May 2021. Project Scoping / coordination with USFS for competitive application currently in progress. Possible projects include Saddlebag Road, Lundy Lake Road, or Virginia Lakes Road.

From: Caltrans HQ <regional.planning.grants@dot.ca.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, January 5, 2021 3:17 PM
To: Gerry LeFrancois <glefrancois@mono.ca.gov>
Subject: FY 2021-22 Caltrans Planning Grant Application Workshops



FY 2021-22 Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant Application Workshops

Dear Stakeholders,

On behalf of the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), we invite potential applicants to join one of our virtual grant application workshops below. Applications are due on Friday, February 12, 2021 by 5 P.M., and grant announcements are anticipated in spring 2021.

Fiscal Year 2021-22 Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant Application Workshops

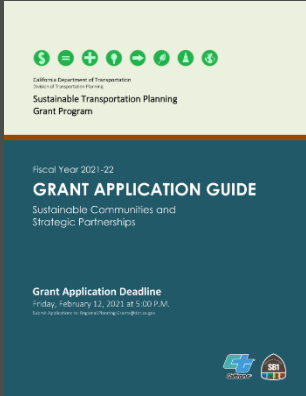
- January 5 – Caltrans District 11 workshop (2:00-3:30 PM)
- January 7 – Caltrans District 2 workshop (10:00-11:30 AM)
- January 8 – Caltrans District 1 workshop (1:00-2:00 PM)
- January 8 – Caltrans District 5 workshop (10:00 AM-12:00 PM)
- January 12 – Caltrans Districts 7, 8, and 12 joint workshop (10:30-11:30 AM)
- January 13 – Caltrans District 10 workshop (9:00 – 10:30 AM)

- January 20 – Caltrans District 3 workshop (9:00 – 10:00 AM)
- January 21 – Caltrans District 6 workshop (10:00-11:00 AM)
- January 26 – Caltrans workshop for Native American Tribal Governments (9:30-11:00 AM)
- January 28 – Caltrans statewide workshop (9:30 – 11:00 AM)

Contact the appropriate Caltrans district or Headquarters staff in the Grant Application Guide (links below), if there are questions about attending the upcoming workshops or developing competitive grant applications.

This information will soon be posted on the grant website below.

Stay healthy and safe!



- [Grant Application Guide](#)
- [Caltrans District Grant Contacts](#)

For information about the Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning Grants, visit our website, at: <https://dot.ca.gov/programs/transportation-planning/regional-planning/sustainable-transportation-planning-grants>.

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