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#### **MEETING AGENDA**

April 12, 2021 – 9:00 A.M.

#### **TELECONFERENCE INFORMATION**

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- **2. PUBLIC COMMENT:** Opportunity to address the LTC on items not on the agenda. Please refer to the Teleconference information section to determine how to make public comment for this meeting.
- 3. MINUTES
  - **A.** March 15, 2021 **p.1**
- 4. LOCAL TRANSPORTATION
  - A. Update on Unmet needs process and timeline (Michael Draper / Phil Moores) p.5
    - 1. R98-01 Unmet needs

#### **COMMISSIONERS**

- 2. Unqualifying Needs
- **B.** Approve Minute Order 21-02 to amend the 20/21 Overall Work Program funding (*Gerry LeFrancois / Megan Mahaffey*) **p.15**

#### 5. CALTRANS

A. Activities in Mono County & pertinent statewide information p.26

#### 6. TRANSIT

- A. ESTA Update (Phil Moores)
- **B.** YARTS Update (Christine Chavez)

#### 7. ADMINISTRATION

- **A.** Update on Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2020 HR 133 distribution plan (*Gerry LeFrancois / Haislip Hayes*) **p.27**
- **B.** Approve Minute Order 21-03 approving project(s) under Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act HR 133 (staff)
- **C.** Tioga Pass coordination update / opening 2021 (staff)

#### 8. QUARTERLY UPDATES

- **A.** TOML project update (verbal update, Haislip Hayes)
- B. Mono County projects update (Chad Senior) p.33

#### 9. CORRESPONDENCE

No Item

#### 10. COMMISSIONER REPORTS

#### 11. INFORMATIONAL

No Item

#### 12. UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS

- **A.** Joint Meeting of SSTAC and Commission / Unmet needs
- **B.** Review of Unmet Needs / and future allocation of funds
- C. Tioga Pass
- D. 2021 / 22 OWP adoption

#### 13. ADJOURN TO May 10, 2021

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### **Draft Meeting Minutes**

March 15, 2021 - 9:00 A.M.

**COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:** Jennifer Kreitz, John Peters, Rhonda Duggan **TOWN COMMISSIONERS:** John Wentworth, Bill Sauser, Jennifer Burrows

**COUNTY STAFF:** Gerry LeFrancois, Wendy Sugimura, Megan Mahaffey, Bentley Regehr, Michael

Draper, Tony Dublino, Chad Senior, Becky Peratt, Heidi Willson, Nate Greenberg

TOWN STAFF: Haislip Hayes, Dan Holler

CALTRANS: Dennee Alcala, Austin West, Mark Heckman

**ESTA:** Phil Moores **YARTS:** Kate Molthen

**Inyo County LTC**: John Pinckney **Public:** Fred Stump, Sandy Hogan

- 1. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chair Kreitz called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. Commissioner Wentworth let the pledge of allegiance.
- 2. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** No public comments.

#### 3. MINUTES

A. Approval of minutes March 9, 2020

**Motion:** Approve amended minutes with no corrections. Wentworth/Peters- Ayes: Burrows, Duggan, Peters, Kreitz, Wentworth- Absent: Sauser

**B.** Approval of minutes June 8, 2020

**Motion:** Approve amended minutes with no corrections. Wentworth/Peters- Ayes: Burrows, Duggan, Peters, Wentworth, Kreitz- Absent: Sauser

**C.** Approval of minutes Feb 8, 2021

**Motion:** Approve amended minutes with no corrections.

Burrows/Duggan- Ayes: Burrows, Duggan, Peters, Wentworth, Kreitz- Absent: Sauser

#### 4. LOCAL TRANSPORTATION

#### COMMISSIONERS

- A. Workshop Asset Management Program (Nate Greenberg Information Technologies)
  - Nate Greenberg gave an update on the asset management program and answered any questions commission had.

\*Commission Sauser joined the meeting during the presentation of this agenda item.

- **B.** Social Services Technical Advisory Committee (SSTAC) Receive staff report and consider appoints to SSTAC via Minute Order (M.O.) 21-01. (Michael Draper)
  - LTC commissioners requested a review on the process on how we reach the public on the unmet needs. Concerns regarding gaps in data and not reaching all populations to get the proper impute. Concerned on timing to give everyone the opportunity to speak up.

*Motion:* to approve the appoints and re-appoints.

Sauser/Burrows- Ayes: Burrows, Sauser, Duggan, Peters, Wentworth, Kreitz

#### 5. CALTRANS

- A. Activities in Mono County & pertinent statewide information
  - Denee Alcala from Caltrans provided briefings. No questions were asked.
- B. Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT) for 2020
  - Denee Alcala from Caltrans provided briefings. No questions were asked.

#### 6. TRANSIT

- **A.** ESTA Update (*Phil Moores*)
  - Phil Moores reviewed the annual report with the commission. Questions followed and Phil Moores responded.
  - Commissioner Sauser asked about load changes per state regulations regarding COVID19 as we move in tiers.
    - Nothing has been confirmed at this time. Hopefully we will see an increase in the allowed capacity with the tier changes.
  - Commissioner Burrows when do you foresee an electric bus in Mammoth Lakes?
    - Applying for a fleet replacement starting next year. Our current big buses fleet reaches it useful life-limit in 2024.
  - Commissioner Kreitz- are you speaking with Mammoth Unified to coordinate with their electric bus that is coming next year?
    - Not at this time. He will be reaching out once they receive it to discussing how well its working and trouble shooting situations.
  - Commissioner Wentworth- assuming that you are collaborating with Caltrans on the electrification plan. Not to just support Mammoth but throughout the area speaking long-term. Availability for just buses and the fleet or will there be other opportunities for the electrical panels?
    - o Caltrans will be the ones to accept and approve the grant.
    - The electrification plan will address the 4 ESTA "yards". Mammoth, airport, Walker, and Lone Pine. With the possibilities of use of Soler.
    - Not realistic to allow public into the ESTA yard. However, there may be a possibility in the Walker and Lone Pine yard.
- **B.** YARTS Update (Christine Chavez)

COMMISSIONERS

- General update: Kate Molthen filled in for Christine Chavez and gave an operational update on YARTS. Questions followed and Kate Molthen responded.
- Commissioner Wentworth- How Yosemite made any determination on how reservations will work this summer? Any electric buses in Yosemite?
  - Unofficially Yosemite will not be using the day use permits this summer. That can change at any moment. They do have electric shuttles however they will not be in use this summer.

#### 7. ADMINISTRATION

A. Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) - Receive staff report and consider allocating \$13,851 of FY 2020-21 funds to Eastern Sierra Transit Authority (ESTA) (Phil Moores)

**Motion:** Approve the allocation and authorize Gerry to sign the application. Sauser/Wentworth- Ayes: Burrows, Sauser, Duggan, Peters, Wentworth, Kreitz

- **B.** Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriation Act of 2021 (H.R. 133) receive staff report and provide any desired direction to staff (*G. LeFrancois*)
  - Gerry gave a presentation regarding the relief supplemental funds.
  - Authorize the Chair's signature on a Letter of Support for Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriation Act of 2021.
  - Commissioner Wentworth- What are the restrictions on this money?
    - There are two different possibilities. If it is a population-based formula, it is a broad program that can be used for local projects, transit, and revenue loss. (STBG)
    - o If it is a STIP- road maintenance and road rehabilitation.
  - All commissioner's support sending a letter for the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriation Act of 2021. Needing to stress the importance of the population and visitation in our area.
- **c.** Climate Action Plan Transportation Infrastructure (CAPTI) receive staff report and provide any desired direction to staff (*G. LeFrancois*)
  - Gerry gave a presentation regarding the Climate Action Plan Transportation Infrastructure.
  - Commissioner Wentworth wanted to point out that our area is considered natural working lands.

#### 8. CORRESPONDENCE

No items

#### 9. COMMISSIONER REPORTS

- Commissioner Sauser: No report
- Commissioner Wentworth: Town council approved the Community recreation center and mobility hub.
- Commissioner Burrows: planning commission will be discussing the extended service with the bus line on old mammoth road.
- Commissioner Duggan: No report
- Commissioner Peters: Reported that the guard rail replacement project in Antelope valley due to the fire looks great and has been completed. Received

#### COMMISSIONERS

- state emergency dollars and wanted to say thank you for making the road safer.
- Chair Kreitz: meet with a state assembly member who is very interest in getting
  people out of their vehicles. She is interested in looking how we use our funding
  to get people out of there vehicles. She is also interested in wildlife crossing.
  How do we balance being in a rural area and using our vehicles to get to places
  outside our area.

#### 10. INFORMATIONAL

No items

#### 11. UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Quarterly updates Mono County & Town of Mammoth Lakes Public Works
- **B.** Tioga Pass coordination for 2021 season
- **c.** State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) & MOU projects and status
- **D.** Joint meeting with Social Service Transportation Advisory Committee (SSTAC) to start unmet needs process
- **E.** Amendment to the 2019/20 Overall Work Program

#### 12. ADJOURN TO April 12, 2021

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#### **Staff Report**

April 12, 2021

**TO:** Mono County Local Transportation Commission

**FROM:** Michael Draper, Mono County Planning Analyst

**SUBJECT:** Unmet Transit Needs Outreach Process

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

Receive staff report and provide any desired direction to staff.

#### FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

Unmet Transit Needs outreach and adoption are required annually by the state and budgeted by the LTC.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE**

N/A

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Californian State Transportation Development Act (TDA) requires the Unmet Transit Needs Process be conducted annually by Regional Transportation Planning Agencies prior to making any allocation not directly related to public transportation services, specialized transportation services, or facilities provided for the exclusive use of pedestrians and bicycles, or any allocation for purposes subject to Section 99400, subdivision (f) of Public Utility Code ss 99400.

This Local Transportation Commission (LTC) is the Regional Transportation Planning Agency for the Mono County region. The Act requires that the LTC make a determination whether there are "unmet transit needs that reasonable to meet" in the jurisdictions through the County. The definition of these terms must be adopted by the LTC by resolution (completed by the LTC in 1998, see Attachment A).

Furthermore, the LTC must consult with the Social Service Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC), pursuant to PCU section 99238. The SSTAC is required to annually participate in the identification of transit needs and unmet transit needs in the jurisdiction, and annually review and recommend action by the LTC.

The TDA requires the LTC to hold at least one public hearing for the purpose of soliciting comments on the unmet transit need, within the jurisdiction represented by the SSTAC. Hearings shall be scheduled to ensure broad community participation and notice of the hearing is required to be given at least 30 days in advanced. Additional methods of obtaining public feedback are also welcomed.

#### **DISCUSSION**

The LTC's Unmet Transit Needs process begins at the start of each year, with hearings conducted in Spring so that a determination may be made prior to the reporting deadline of August 15 of the fiscal year of the allocation. Working within their role as the Consolidated Transportation Service Agency (CTSA)

Eastern Sierra Transportation Authority (ESTA) staff and LTC staff work to create a schedule with Resolution adoption occurring typically in May because STA and LTF allocations occur prior to July.

Before drafting a Resolution, the combined staff conduct public outreach by attending each of the County's Regional Planning Advisory Committee (RPAC) and the June Lake Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) meetings, in addition to conducting a workshop with the Town of Mammoth Lakes. All meetings are open to the public and follow Brown Act orders with notices and agenda publications made public one week prior to the meeting.

Staff also convey with the SSTAC to discuss unmet transit needs identified by their agencies and constituents. A meeting with this group will take place April 8, in addition to the public hearing aligned with the LTC's meeting.

Transit needs expressed by the public which do not meet the Unmet Transit Need criteria are retained for consideration in future RTP updates. See Attachment B.

The schedule below identifies the public outreach meetings LTC staff attends to solicit input, in addition to the LTC public meetings. The schedule is adjusted each year.

Date, Time	<u>Task</u>
March 25, 6:30 pm	Long Valley Community meeting
April 1, 7:00 pm	Antelope Valley RPAC
April 7	Submit public hearing notice to The Sheet (Apr. 10 publication, 30 days prior to the meeting) and post flyers in public locations. Send a Save The Date to SSTAC
April 7, 6:00 pm	June Lake CAC
April 8, 11:00 am	SSTAC meeting
April 13, 5:00 pm	Bridgeport RPAC
April 14, 6:30 pm	Mono Basin RPAC.
May 10, 9:00 am	Joint LTC/SSTAC public hearing on Unmet Needs during the LTC meeting.
May 12	Town of Mammoth Lakes transit workshop.
May	Second SSTAC meeting, as needed.
June 2	Submit notice to adopt the Resolution to The Sheet (June 5 publication, 10 days prior to meeting).
June 14, 9:00 am	LTC adoption of Unmet Needs Resolution for 2021-2022.
July 12, 9:00 am	LTC meeting, Unmet Transit Needs discussion as needed.
Prior to August 12.	File Unmet Needs documentation with state

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

- A. R98-01
- B. General Transit Needs

#### **RESOLUTION 98-01**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MONO COUNTY LOCAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION DEFINING "REASONABLE TO MEET" AND "UNMET TRANSIT NEEDS"

WHEREAS, the Mono County Local transportation Commission (MCLTC) is the designated transportation planning agency for the County of Mono pursuant to Government Code Section 29532 and action of the Secretary of Business, Transportation and Housing and, as such, has the responsibility under Public Utilities Code Section 99401.5 to determine definitions of "unmet transit needs" and "reasonable to meet"; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Mono County Local Transportation Commission does hereby define "unmet transit needs' as a need of Mono County elderly, disabled, low income, youth, and other transit dependent groups for transit service that is currently not available and, if provided for, would enable the transit dependent person to obtain the basic necessities of life primarily within Mono County. "Necessities of life" are defined as trips necessary for medical and dental services, essential personal business, employment, social service appointment, shopping for food or clothing, and social and recreational purposes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mono County Transportation Commission does hereby define "reasonable to meet" as transit needs for the necessities of life which pertain to all public and/or specialized transportation services that:

- a. can be proven operationally feasible;
- b. can demonstrate community acceptance;
- c. would be available to the general public;
- d. can be proven to be economical; and
- e. can demonstrate cost effectiveness by meeting current fare box revenue requirements of the Mono LTC within two years

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the herein contained definition and findings are consistent with the Mono County Regional Transportation Plan, 1998 Update.

PASSED, AND ADOPTED this 1st day of June, 1998 by the following Commission:

Ayes: Ronci, Hunt, Cage, Eastman, Inwood, Rowan.

Noes: Absent: Abstain:

Attest:

dann Ronci, Chairperson

Mono LTC

Gwen Plummer, Secretary

Mono LTC

		NOT CONSIDERED	TO BE AN UNMET NEED 2018-19	
	Request	Unmet Need	Reasonable to Meet/Explanation	Costs/Actions/Solutions
1.	Roadway improvements and/or bike lane or markings on Twin Lakes Road. (BP)	This is a request for non- transit related infrastructure, and therefore is not an unmet transit need.	Bicycle infrastructure is not considered a "transit" unmet need.	
2.	A request for written information about the Vanpool program was received. (MB)	This is not a request for transit service.	The request was met, materials have been provided.	
3.	Provide summer service from Bridgeport area to Bodie Hills. (BP)	This is a request for a service expansion, however it does not pertain to obtaining the basic necessities of life for Mono County residents.	NA	
4.	Provide seasonal summer service for Pacific Crest Trail hikers. (BP)	This is a request for a service expansion, however it does not pertain to obtaining the basic necessities of life for Mono County residents.	NA	
5.	Provide transit service in conjunction with programed events. (BP)	This is a request for a service expansion.	The service may be unreasonable to meet because the service wouldn't necessarily provide access to the necessities of life.	
6.	Mammoth – June Shuttle question: who is supposed to be served by the winter shuttle, skiers or June Mountain employees? (JL)	This is not a request for transit service but may help clarify the purpose and need of this service.	NA	The June Mountain Shuttle in the winter months is a public, fixed route transit route. This service is made possible (financially) by June Mountain Ski Area, which has significant input on the design and timing of the route, although the route is available to the public.

7.	Increased Frequency of Purple Line in Town of Mammoth Lakes.	This is a request for a service expansion potentially pertaining to shopping for food or clothing, employment, and social and recreational purposes.	This does not meet necessities of life standard since service already exists.	Doubling the Purple line which currently uses one bus and operates 11 hours per day would cost approximately \$310,000 plus the capital cost of a new vehicle.
8.	SSTAC – Provide bilingual services for Mammoth dial-a-ride service.	This could be an unmet need if Mammoth Lakes residents are not able to obtain basic necessities of life due to language limitations of the transportation service.	ESTA would need to determine if this is a true barrier to service to develop possible responses.	The solution could be to have the passengers come into the office where schedulers and passengers could use Google translator to arrange rides. It is recommended a test be conducted to see if this will work. There are drawbacks like not being able to communicate with the driver or making changes by phone. If the passenger has a smart phone, then the translator would help with driver communication.
9.	Improve Marketing of Services in the Bridgeport area.	Informational. Does not qualify as unmet need.	N/A	Improved communication on transit is needed and is being studied.
10.	Expand Walker DAR to Bridgeport and Gardnerville.	Service expansion for access to necessities of life. Passengers in Walker currently have access to necessities of life.	Walker residents have access to points north through the Bridgeport-Gardnerville fixed route.	There is capacity in the Walker DAR for extension of service. ESTA is working with Mono County Social Services staff on plans to expand the DAR.
11.	Install Bus stop in Benton.	Not an unmet need since residents are currently served, but a visible presence of transit providing access of services to all residents is needed.	Reasonable to meet.	Residents of Benton are served door-to-door, however, there should be a visible transit presence in the town. Costs from \$500 to \$5000 are estimated and recommended.
12.	Span of service increases in the Town of Mammoth Lakes.	This is a request for a service expansion. It does not qualify as an unmet need since service already runs till 10pm and 2am.	No.	Currently the Town Trolleys run till 10pm and 2am serving the businesses and residents. Further expansion would struggle to meet feasibility standards regarding staffing. The cost varies depending on the extent of expansion. ESTA current hourly cost is \$77/hour and driver schedules would be impacted.

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#### **Staff Report**

April 12, 2021

**TO:** Mono County Local Transportation Commission

**FROM:** Gerry LeFrancois, Co-Executive Director

Megan Mahaffey, Accountant II

**SUBJECT:** Formal Amendment to the 2020/21 Overall Work Program

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Adopt the Formal Amendment to the Mono County Overall Work Program 2019-20 with Minute Order 21-02, and authorized Co-Executive Director to file new Overall Work Program Agreement for these RPA carryover funds from 2019-18.

#### **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

Additional budget capacity from carryover funds.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE**

N/A

#### DISCUSSION

The current OWP was adopted by the Local Transportation Commission on June 8, 2020. This is a formal amendment to incorporate rollover funds from the 2019-20 OWP in the amount of \$92,000. This Formal Amendment will adjust budgets to allow for additional work to be done under Work Elements 700.1, 900.1, 900.6, The adjusted budget allows for anticipated expenditures for work to be completed on or before June 30, 2020.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

- FY 2020-21 OWP Budget Adjustment with FY 2019-20 carryover funds
- WE funding changes 100.3, 800.1, 900.1, 900.2, 900.6, 900.7

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### MINUTE ORDER MO 21-02

### Adopt Formal Amendment 01 to the 2020-21 Overall Work Program

At the Mono County LTC meeting of April 12, 2021, it was moved by Commissioner and seconded by Commissioner to adopt Amendment 01 to the Overall Work Program (OWP) 2020-21 and authorize signing of OWPA by Co-Executive Director for increase of \$92,000 due to rollover Rural Planning Assistance funds from 2019-20 allocation.
Ayes: Noes: Abstains: Absent
Attest:
Heidi Willson, LTC Secretary
cc: Caltrans

### RPA carryover funds from 2019-20 into current FY OWP budget

Work Element	Description	RPA Amount	RPA carryover amendment	PPM Amount	RMRA	FTA 5304	Mono Co
100.1	Agency Administration and Management	15,000					
100.2	Overall Work Program Development & Admin	17,000					
100.3	Training and Professional Development	7,000	2,000				
200.1	Regional Transportation Plan	6,000					
200.2	RTP Implementation and Monitoring	6,000					
200.3	Multi Modal Planning RPA	65,000					
200.4	Multi Modal Planning PPM			10,000			
300	VMT Implementation						
300.1	VMT and Implementation	20,000					
400	Grants						
400.1	June Lake ATP	10,000			145,089		8,798
400.2	Short Range Transit Plan	10,000				113,372	11,628
266500	Reserved for future needs						
600	Reserved for future needs						
700.1	Regional Transportation Improvement Program	3,000	2,000				
700.2	Project Development and Project Study Reports			100,000			
800.1	Regional Transportation Planning	4,000	2,000				
800.2	Regional Transit Planning and Coordination	5,000					
900.1	Planning, Monitoring and Traffic Management	9,000	30,000				
900.2	Regional Data Collection Equipment	11,000	8,000				
900.3	Regional Asset Management - RPA	30,500					
900.4	Regional Asset Management - PPM			25,000			
900.5	Air Quality Monitoring	500					
900.6	Trails Planning	6,000	6,000	_			
900.7	Community Traffic Calming / Complete Streets / Design	5,000	40,000				
	Total	\$230,000	\$92,000	\$135,000	\$145,089	\$113,372	\$20,426
	Budget	\$230,000	\$92,000	\$135,000	\$145,089	\$113,372	\$20,426

#### 100.3 Training and Professional Development (formerly WE 1000-12-0)

<u>Purpose</u>: This task includes training and professional development opportunities related to transportation planning for staff. Staff must be up to date on current federal, state, and local regulations and policies that relate and affect transportation. Training may include topics related to SB 1, SB 743, Transportation Development Act (TDA), Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUCTD) requirements, Local Assistance, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Caltrans, and others.

<u>Previous Work:</u> Attendance in various webinars such as SB 1, and SB 743 implementation for rural agencies.

#### Task Elements:

• Attendance by staff for necessary workshops, conferences, webinars, and/or other transportation planning events.

#### **Expected Products:**

• Training documentation and attendance.

Estimated Benchmarks: Ongoing for the complete fiscal year

Estimated Completion Date: June 2021

	Mammoth Lakes	Mono County	Total Funding
RPA	\$4,000	\$ <del>3,000</del>	<del>\$7,000</del>
RPA	\$4,000	\$5,000	\$9,000

## Work Element 700—Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) and Project Development Series

The RTIP and Project Development Series is the design and programming of various work elements for projects that are ready for construction funding. The funding may come from a variety of federal (FTIP, grants), State (STIP, grants) and local sources (SB 1, grants).

#### 700.1 RTIP (formerly WE 701-12-1)

<u>Purpose:</u> The RTIP is a two-year planning and programming document that is adopted in odd calendar years. The funds can be used for road, transit, bike, and pedestrian construction projects. The funding comes from a variety of federal, state, and local sources. Regional and local projects cannot be programmed or allocated by the California Transportation Commission (CTC) without a current RTIP.

<u>Previous Work:</u> Adoption of 2020 RTIP, Consistency determination of the 2020 RTIP to the 2019 Regional Transportation Plan, and consistency of the 2020 RTIP with CTC guidelines.

#### Task Elements:

- Coordinate with statewide, regional, and local planning agencies on future capital projects
- Coordinate with MOU partners on funding and revised MOU time frames when necessary
- Develop programming needs and/or projects for the 2022 RTIP
- Monitor / amend the 2020 RTIP as necessary

#### **Expected Products:**

- This is an ongoing project and applies to development of any amendments needed for the 2020 RTIP
- Identification of any 2022 RTIP needs

Estimated Benchmarks: Ongoing for the complete fiscal year

Estimated Completion Date: March 2021

	Mammoth Lakes	Mono County	Total Funding
RPA	\$1,000	<del>\$2,000</del>	<del>\$3,000</del>
RPA	\$1,000	\$4,000	\$5,000

### Work Element 800—Regional Transportation Planning Series

This Work Element is to improve multi-modal access between the Eastern Sierra and other regions, such as Nevada, Southern, and Central California. Interagency partners include National Park Service, US Forest Service, Kern Council Of Governments (COG), San Bernardino County Transportation Agency (SBCTA), and Inyo County LTC.

#### 800.1. Regional Transportation Planning (formerly 800-12-1)

<u>Purpose:</u> This work element includes coordinating with Rural Counties Task Force (RCTF), Kern Council of Governments, San Bernardino County Transportation Agency, and Inyo County Local Transportation Commission on current issues, funding opportunities, and MOU projects. Kern COG, SBCTA, Inyo, and Mono LTCs make up the Eastern California Transportation Planning Partnership.

<u>Previous work:</u> Staff participation and attendance with the Eastern California Transportation Planning Partnership (ECTPP), and Rural Counties Task Force. The ECTPP and staff met twice last year. RCTF and staff participated in five meetings last year.

#### Task Elements:

- Serve as a member of Eastern California Transportation Planning Partnership
- Monitor MOU projects between SBCTA, Inyo County, and Kern Council Of Governments (COG) and make/review any necessary changes to existing MOU's
- Participate in Rural Counties Task Force (RCTF) via phone/video conference
- Participate as needed with the Mono County Collaborative Planning Team
- Work collaboratively with Inyo and Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest, Bureau of Land Management, and National Park Service as needed

#### Expected Products:

- Attendance at Collaborative Planning Team meetings
- Update MOUs and coordination of funding for each agency
- Rural Counties Task Force (RCTF) meetings on statewide transportation matters, including SB 743
- Attendance at Rural Counties Task Force meetings once a quarter via phone conference as available

Estimated Benchmarks: Ongoing for the complete fiscal year

Estimated Completion Date: This is an annual work element

	Mammoth Lakes	Mono County	Total Funding
RPA	\$1,000	<del>\$3,000</del>	<del>\$4,000</del>
RPA	\$1,000	\$5,000	\$6,000

### 900 Asset Management and Traffic Issues

Mono County and the Town of Mammoth Lakes make base operational decisions and work priorities from data. For the past two decades, the organizations have incrementally developed a comprehensive enterprise-scale GIS to house the information necessary to make those decisions and continue to prioritize work efforts to keep the information within Asset Management up to date.

This is fundamentally important as we strive for data-driven decision making in the way that we manage transportation assets throughout the region. To ensure that we can continue doing so in the future, there is an ongoing commitment of staff resources and funding to ensure that we have the appropriate data needed to drive and carry projects.

At the core of this is a series of transportation and asset management datasets which contain information on a variety of elements which exist within the right of way and are managed as part of our overall transportation infrastructure. In order to adequately perform planning work for future efforts, we must continue to maintain this data to ensure that we have the right information to help with our decision making.

900.1 Planning, Monitoring, and Traffic Management Issues (formerly 900-12-0) <a href="Purpose">Purpose</a>: The purpose of this Work Element is to provide for the planning, review and monitoring of various transportation improvements and traffic management issues. These tasks support local and regional transportation planning. including safety, multimodal infrastructure, vehicle use, vehicle miles traveled, bike and pedestrian counts, etc.

<u>Previous work:</u> TOML Biannual Traffic Study, Town Annual Traffic Report, and North Village Cut-Through Study, TOML VMT modeling

#### Task Elements:

- Conduct applicable reviews, such as analysis of non-motorized features
- Conduct street parking management studies
- Perform studies such as: traffic volume, speed studies, turning movements, VMTs, and sight distance studies
- Conduct pedestrian / bike user counts

#### **Expected Products:**

- Staff support on the Mobility Element update to help identify future projects under Walk, Bike, Ride
- Various TOML studies (traffic volume, speed, turning movements, sight distance studies, VMT surveys and background data, and bike/ped counts)
- Update to TOML VMT model

Estimated Benchmarks: Ongoing for the complete fiscal year

Estimated Completion Date: June of 2021

	Mammoth Lakes	Mono County	Total Funding
RPA	<del>\$7,000</del>	\$2,000	<del>\$9,000</del>
RPA	\$37,000	\$2,000	\$39,000

#### 900.2 Regional Data Collection Equipment (formerly 902-12-2)

<u>Purpose</u>: This Work Element will purchase equipment for counting vehicles, cyclists, and pedestrians. WE may include associated software to support current monitoring and transportation planning activities. Data collected through purchased equipment will be used to analyze the use (number, patterns, and trends) of various transportation facilities, including sidewalks, bike trails, and roadways and will be used to aid in planning future transportation policies, programs, and capital projects to improve safety and reduce vehicle use at the local level.

<u>Previous work:</u> Annual purchase of equipment. Collection of trail use data for Lower Rock Creek Trail (a first for the County).

#### Task Elements:

- Purchase equipment and software if necessary
- Purchase trail counters

#### **Expected Products:**

- Purchase of equipment
- Purchase and installation of trail and or traffic counters
- Reports compiled and usage rates determined at various recreation hubs. This data will be used to implement WE 900.1 and 900.3.
- Collection of trail and traffic counts

Estimated Benchmarks: Order trail counters – Summer 2020, take delivery of trail counters summer 2020

Estimated Completion Date: June of 2021

	Mammoth Lakes	Mono County	Total Funding
RPA	\$5,000	\$ <del>6,000</del>	<del>\$11,000</del>
RPA	\$5,000	\$14,000	\$19,000

#### 900.6 Regional Trails Planning (formerly WE 201-12-1)

<u>Purpose</u>: This work element will review community projects and implementation of the Trail and Bike Plans. This component may also consider Off Highway Vehicle (OHV) connections within and adjoining communities with public lands (combined use roads). Significant planning efforts and various design standards have been developed by the TOML, Mammoth Lakes Trails and Public Access (MLTPA), and Mammoth Lakes Recreation (MLR). Trail planning within the County will follow existing templates, and standards where possible.

<u>Previous work:</u> Met with trail proponents (Community Service Area 1 and MLR) on projects in the greater Long Valley area. Staff has reviewed future road rehabilitation projects for incorporation of bike lanes and other features where appropriate. Staff meets quarterly with Mammoth Lakes Recreation (MLR) to collaborate on various bike/pedestrian activities throughout the County. Supported Adventure Cycling Association pursuit of USBR 85 through Mono County.

Staff will incorporate previous studies into this GIS task/data layer. Project Study Reports (PSRs) and any related work on specific trail development or implementation will be funded with PPM funds or CSA 1/5 funding.

#### Task Elements:

- Conduct collection of GIS data and mapping to plan for future trail alignments
- Continue agency collaboration for trails planning and multi-modal accessibility including possible OHV connections (Combined Use Roads)
- Develop and refine trails plans and concepts for bike/pedestrian system components where there is an interest
- Investigate and identify funding sources for trail projects
- Develop mapping and baseline data for inclusion into WE 900.3
- Work with BLM, USFS, TOML, and MLR to ensure cohesive trail planning
- Develop a Regional Trails Plan for greater Long Valley area (CSA 1 trails and connectivity plan Tom's Place, Whitmore, to Sherwin Creek / Sawmill Cutoff Road)
- Continue work on North County Regional Trails Network Bridgeport and Antelope Valleys

#### **Expected Products:**

- Preliminary trail alignments for Long Valley area CSA 1
- Long Valley area CSA 1 trails program from Tom's Place, Whitmore, to Sherwin Creek / Sawmill Cutoff Road
- Combined Use demonstration plan that would make OHV connections with communities and adjoining public lands

<u>Estimated Benchmarks:</u> Preliminary trail alignments – Summer / Fall 2020, Long Valley area CSA 1 trails program – June 2021

**Estimated Completion Date:** On going tasks

	Mammoth Lakes	Mono County	Total Funding
RPA	\$3,000	<del>\$3,000</del>	<del>\$6,000</del>
RPA	\$3,000	\$9,000	\$12,000
CSA Funds		TBD	

## 900.7 Community Traffic Calming, Complete Streets and Design Standards (formerly 804-15-1)

<u>Purpose:</u> Develop and maintain standards for complete streets and traffic calming measures for application in neighborhoods and community areas to increase safety and livability for Mono County communities. RTP policies require transportation improvements to consider complete streets and other traffic calming measures.

#### Task Elements:

- Continue to conduct community transportation planning efforts including, Main Street Projects (Bridgeport, Lee Vining, June Lake), Corridor Management Plan, etc.
- Conduct review of June Lake Village traffic patterns, conduct traffic counts, parking and snow storage constraints, and possible solutions to improve circulation in the Village
- Assess neighborhood & community issues, opportunities & constraints in the unincorporated area, with a focus on June Lake
- Draft new county road standards

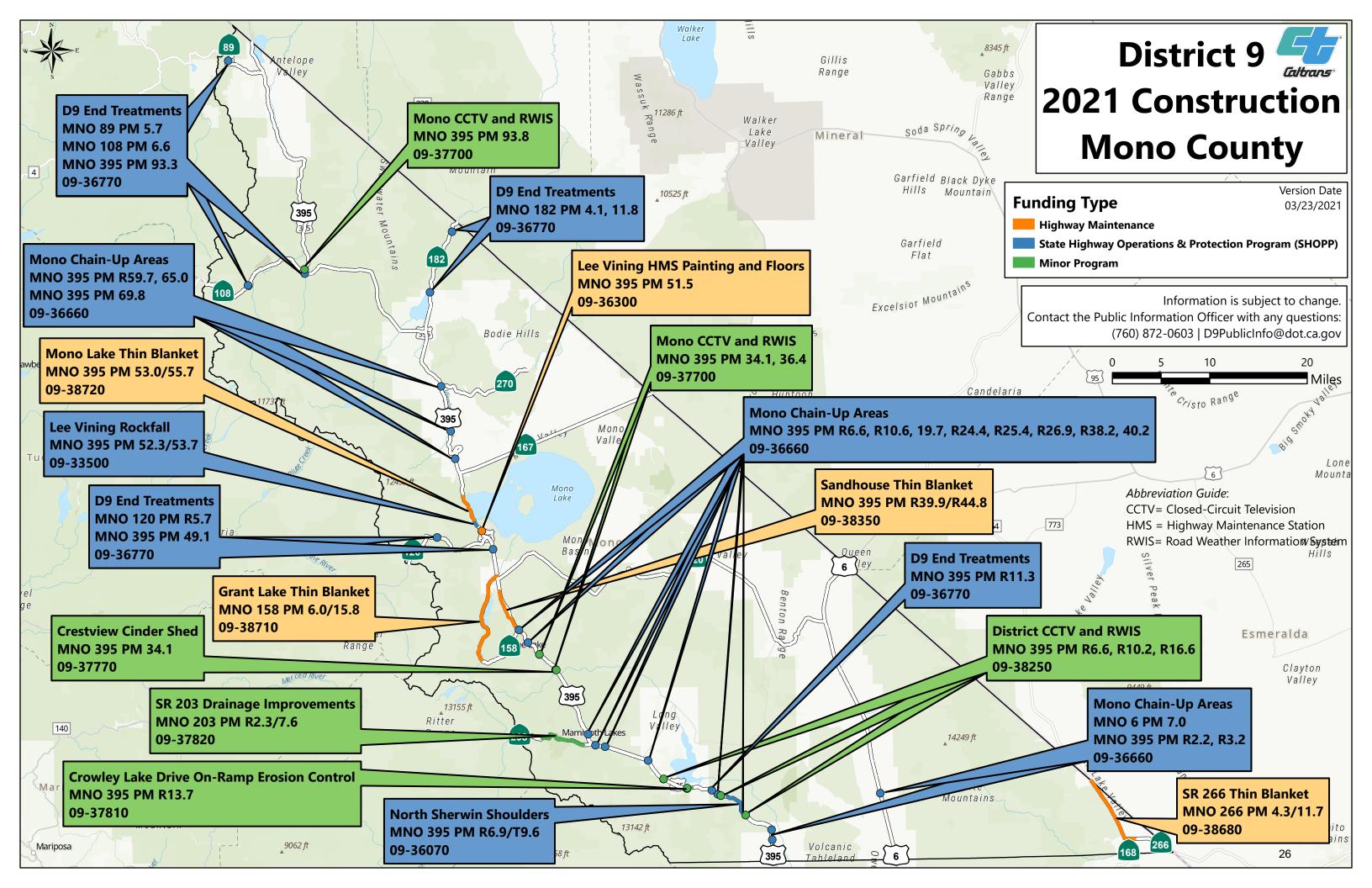
#### **Expected Products:**

• Update of Mono County Road Standards

Estimated Benchmarks: Update of Mono County Road Standards – June of 2021

Estimated Completion Date: June of 2021

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RPA		<del>\$5,000</del>	<del>\$5,000</del>
RPA		\$47,000	\$47,000



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#### **Staff Report**

April 12, 2021

**TO:** Mono County Local Transportation Commission

**FROM:** Gerry Le Francois, Co-Executive Director

Haislip Hayes, Co-Executive Director

**ITEM 7A & 7B** 

SUBJECT: Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 (H.R. 133)

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#### **ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE**

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#### **ATTACHMENTS**

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# **DRAFT**MINUTE ORDER MO 21-03

Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 Mid-Cycle STIP Project Submittal

At the Mono County LTC meeting of April 12, 2021, it was moved by Commissioner and seconded by Commissioner to submit the following project(s) for funding under the 2021 Mid-Cycle State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP):				
Projects will be discussed on Monday, April 12				
AYES:				
NOES:				
ABSTAIN:				
ABSENT:				
Attest:				
Heidi Willson, LTC Secretary				
cc: Caltrans				

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March 22, 2021

Mr. Mitch Weiss Executive Director California Transportation Commission 1120 N. Street, MS 52 Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 Highway Infrastructure Programs Funding Distribution – Support for the 100 percent STIP Distribution Formula

#### **Dear Executive Director Weiss:**

I am writing on behalf of the Mono County Local Transportation Commission (MCLTC), to thank CTC staff for their thorough coordination to reach an equitable and effective methodology for the distribution and administration of transportation funding made available through the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 (CRRSAA).

The outreach from CTC staff reached across all of California's regions including those small rural counties who are often overlooked due to their distant locales and small populations. This effort is very much appreciated by MCLTC.

After the required \$183 million suballocation by population to areas greater than 200 thousand, the MCLTC fully supports 100% of the remaining funds be distributed through the STIP. For rural counties with small populations and high visitation rates, population-based distribution fail to address our region's transportation needs. Mono County has a population of 14,202 (2010 Census), but the region has a very high visitation rate. The Inyo National Forest which includes both Inyo and Mono Counties host approximately 4 million visitors annually.

The proposed 60% to State and 40% to regional agencies split of the \$911 million in funding as this represents a long-standing and critical commitment to supporting the maintenance and operation of the state transportation system which all users of the system rely upon.

Distribution of funds through the STIP methodology includes lane miles, population, and the north/south split is well established as an allocation formula. The STIP formula also gives MCLTC a broad range and flexibility of putting this funding to work as soon as possible.

MCLTC would like to thank you and your staff for their efforts in an equitable distribution of these funds. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Co Executive Director, Gerry LeFrancois, at 760.924.1810 or via email at: <a href="mailto:glefrancois@mono.ca.gov">glefrancois@mono.ca.gov</a>.

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#### **LTC Staff Report**

**TO:** Mono County Local Transportation Commission

**DATE:** April 12, 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	<u>STATUS</u>
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 end of April or beginning of May 2021.
Long Valley Streets Project (STIP – State-Only Funding)	This project will rehabilitate existing pavement on the following roads: Substation Road, 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 are near completion.  Funds for construction to be authorized in June 2021. Project will be out for bid this summer.
Twin Lakes Road Maintenance Project	This project will slurry seal Twin Lakes Road and restore paint striping.	Construction Phase – Contract awarded; Start of construction spring 2021.
(RMRA Funding)  Virginia Lakes Road Maintenance Project (RMRA Funding)	This project will slurry seal Virginia Lake Road and restore paint striping.	PS&E Phase – complete. This project is going out to bid for construction this summer.
Bridge Maintenance Project – Phase 1 (RMRA Funding)	Bridge deck maintenance treatments on relevant bridges throughout the county.	PS&E in progress.
Emergency Eastside Lane Guardrail Replacement (CalOES Disaster Funding with 25% Local Match using RSTP)	This project will replace the Eastside Lane guardrails destroyed by the Mountain View fire.	Construction completed. Project is in close-out phase.

<u>PROJECT</u>	DESIGN FEATURES	<u>STATUS</u>	
County-Wide Crack Sealing	Road Department annual maintena	nce of In-progress, starting in south county and moving no	rth.
(RMRA Funding and possibly RSTP)	County roads		

### **Upcoming Projects**

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.	Assess cause of damage spring/summer 2021. Construction repair possibly fall 2021 if 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 of phase 1 by the end of the fiscal year if funding permits and the consultant can complete the work. If not, delayed until Fiscal Year 21-22.
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. Roads include Lower Rock Creek Rd, Benton Crossing Rd, Convict Lake Rd, Twin Lakes Rd, and Lundy Lake Rd.	Funding for this project was awarded to Mono County in Cycle 10 of Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP).  Allocation of construction funds permitted after March 1, 2022.
Mono County Guardrail Replacement Project Phase 1 (HSIP)	Upgrade of existing guardrail at select locations throughout the county including portions of Benton Crossing Rd, Lower Rock Creek Rd, Twin Lakes Rd, Virginia Lakes Rd, and Gull Lake Rd.	Funding for this project was awarded to Mono County in Cycle 10 of Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP).  Allocation of PS&E funds required by Dec 31, 2021.  Allocation of construction funds permitted after March 1, 2022.
Mono County Right-Edgeline Project (HSIP)	Restore right-edgeline paint striping on the northerly portion of Lower Rock Creek Road, easterly portion of Benton Crossing Road, North Shore Dr, Topaz Lane, and Eastside Lane (south of Larson lane).	Funding for this project was awarded to Mono County in Cycle 10 of Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP).  Allocation of construction funds permitted after March 1, 2022.

PROJECT	DESIGN FEATURES	Proposed Timeframe
Local Road Safety Plan (LRSP) (LTC RPA)		This project would expand the recently completed Systemic Safety Analysis Report Program (SSARP).  LRSP will be required for obtaining HSIP funding in 2022 (Cycle 11).  (Begin July 2021 and complete in FY 2021-22)

### **Potential Future Projects**

POTENTIAL PROJECT	DESIGN FEATURES	STATUS / POTENTIAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
Mono County Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP) Project (FLAP with required local match)	Rehabilitation / Restoration / Construction / Reconstruction of road, bridge, trail or transit system providing access to or within public lands.	Call for projects opened Dec 8 <sup>th</sup> and will close on May 27, 2021.  Project Scoping / coordination with USFS for competitive application currently in progress.  Saddlebag Road is likely the most viable project.