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## MEETING AGENDA

December 11, 2023 – 9:00 A.M.

Dana Room-Mono County Civic Center  
1290 Tavern Rd  
Mammoth Lakes, CA

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*\*Agenda sequence (see note following agenda).*

- 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. ADMINISTRATION** - none

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4. **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**
  - a) Approval of minutes from November 13, 2023 (pg. 1)
5. **LOCAL TRANSPORTATION**
  - a) Quarterly Reports: Mono County and Town of Mammoth Lakes (*staff*) (pg. 4)
6. **CALTRANS**
  - a) Quarterly Update (pg. 9)
  - b) Caltrans Zero-Emissions Vehicle (ZEV) program (*Ben Downard*)
  - c) Winter snow and road management policy overview (*Terry Erlwein and Josh Lundquist*)
7. **TRANSIT**
  - a) Consider approving preliminary transit projects for funding under SB 125 and authorizing the Co-Executive Directors to submit required documentation (*Aaron Washco*) (pg. 10)
  - b) ESTA Update (*Phil Moores*)
  - c) YARTS Update (*Nav Baghri/Jose Perez*)
8. **CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATIONAL** - none
9. **REPORTS**
  - a) Commissioners
  - b) Co-Directors (pg. 16)
10. **UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS**
  - a) OWP Formal Amendment #2 to add a Work Element for the YARTS Short-Range Transit Plan
  - b) SSTAC appointments & Unmet Transit Needs schedule – January/February
  - c) RTP update in 2024
11. **ADJOURN TO January 8, 2023**

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## MEETING AGENDA

November 13, 2023 – 9:00 A.M.

**COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:** Rhonda Duggan, Jennifer Kreitz

**TOWN COMMISSIONERS:** Bill Sauser, Paul Chang, Dan Holler

**LTC STAFF:** Heidi Willson, Deanna Tuetken, Aaron Washco, Wendy Sugimura, Chad Senior, Gerry LeFrancois, Kalen Dodd, Haislip Hayes,

**CALTRANS:** Neil Peacock, Maggie Ritter, L Hart

**ESTA:** Phil Moores

**YARTS:** Jose Perez

**Public:** Paula Richards

### 1. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- Meeting called to order at 9:03 am and the Commission lead the 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.

- Paula Richards provided a public comment.

### 3. CONSENT AGENDA

#### a) Approval of minutes from September 11, 2023

Motion: Approve consent agenda items as presented.

Sauser motioned; Kreitz seconded.

Roll Call – Ayes: Chang, Sauser, Holler, Kreitz, Duggan. Absent: Peters. Motion carries 5-0 with 1 absent.

### 4. ADMINISTRATION

#### a) Consider adoption of Resolution R23-11 approving Formal Amendment #1 to the FY 23-24 Overall Work Program (OWP) (*Gerry LeFrancois*)

- LeFrancois gave a brief presentation on the formal amendment #1 to the FY 23-24 overall work program and answered questions from the Commission.

Motion: Approve Resolution R23-11 as presented.

Sauser motioned; Holler seconded.

Roll Call – Ayes: Chang, Sauser, Holler, Kreitz, Duggan. Absent: Peters. Motion carries 5-0 with 1 absent.

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**5. LOCAL TRANSPORTATION**

- a) Consider adoption of Resolution R23-12 approving the Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) (*Gerry LeFrancois*)
- LeFrancois presented the Regional Transportation Improvement Program and answered questions from the Commission.

Motion: Approve Resolution R23-12 as presented.

Sauser motioned; Holler seconded.

Roll Call – Ayes: Chang, Sauser, Holler, Kreitz, Duggan. Absent: Peters. Motion carries 5-0 with 1 absent.

- b) Reds Meadow Road update (*Haislip Hayes*)
- Hayes gave a brief update on the Reds Meadow Road construction and answered questions from the Commission.

**6. CALTRANS**

- a) Update on Caltrans activities in Mono County (*CT staff*)
- Peacock gave an update on Caltrans activities in Mono County and answered questions from the Commission.

**7. TRANSIT**

- a) ESTA Update (*Phil Moores*)
- Moores gave a brief ESTA update.
- b) YARTS Update (*Nav Baghri/Jose Perez*)
- Perez updated the Commission on YARTS and answered questions from the Commission.
- c) SB 125 funding overview (*Gerry LeFrancois*)
- LeFrancois presented an overview of SB 125 funding and answered questions from the Commission.

**8. CORRESPONDENCE – none**

**9. REPORTS**

- a) **Commissioners**
- **No Commissioners reports.**
- b) **Director**
- Sugimura introduced Aaron Washco to the Commission as he will be taking on Transportation items in his role with Mono County.

**10. INFORMATIONAL – none**

**11. UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS**

- a) SB 125 transit funding distribution – December

**COMMISSIONERS**

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b) RTP update – 2024

12. **ADJOURN at 10:08 am TO December 11, 2023, at 9 am**

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## LTC Staff Report

**TO:** Mono County Local Transportation Commission

**DATE:** December 11, 2023

**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 and current 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.

## Road Construction Projects

<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>DESIGN FEATURES</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
<b>Pavement Reconstruction Services Project</b> (CALOES, FEMA)	Emergency road damage repairs on Benton Crossing Road and Northshore Drive due to 2023 severe winter storms disaster.	Construction is complete. Project closeout in progress.
<b>Bridgeport Banner Project</b> (Clean California Program)	Installation of banner across Highway 395 in Bridgeport at the intersection with Sinclair Street.	Construction is complete. Project closeout in progress.
<b>Mono County Systemic Safety Curve Signage Project</b> (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, and Eastside Lane.	Engineering in-progress. Construction spring 2024.
<b>Mono County Right-Edgeline Project</b> (HSIP)	Restore right-edgeline paint striping on Lower Rock Creek Road, Benton Crossing Road, North Shore Dr, Topaz Lane, and Eastside Lane (Offal Rd to Cunningham Lane).	Engineering in-progress. Construction spring 2024.
<b>Mono County Guardrail Replacement Project Phase 1</b> (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.	Engineering in-progress. Construction summer/fall 2024.
<b>Eastside Lane Rehabilitation Project Phase 2</b> (STIP, Federal Funding)	Rehabilitation of Eastside Lane from Hwy 395 to Offal Road and from Cunningham Lane to Topaz Lane.	Engineering phase in-progress. Construction will be split into two phases: culvert replacement and road rehabilitation (start of construction 2024).
<b>Pine Nut Road Rehabilitation</b> (SB1 / RMRA Funding)	Rehabilitation of Pine Nut Road in Walker.	Preliminary Engineering and Environmental in progress.

<b>PROJECT</b>	<b>DESIGN FEATURES</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
<b>Aspen Springs Ranch Road Rehabilitation</b> (SB1 / RMRA Funding)	Rehabilitation of Aspen Springs Ranch Road in the Aspen Springs Community.	Preliminary Engineering and Environmental in progress.



# Town of Mammoth Lakes Capital Project Update

December Update  
Created 11-29-23

Project	Notes
<b>2023 Emergency Infrastructure Repair</b>	All work is complete and the project is being closed out.
<b>CRC</b>	A ribbon-cutting ceremony was held on November 24 and the CRC is now open to the public, however the contractor has many miscellaneous punchlist items to complete.
<b>CRC - Mobility Hub</b>	All site work is complete except for installation of permanent guardrails at the east patio and parking lot lighting to be installed by TOML staff.
<b>CRC - Interior TI Work</b>	Plans for interior work have been submitted for building permit, to be bid for construction later this fall or winter.
<b>The Parcel Phase 1</b>	<p>Building B exterior (siding, painting, architectural features) is substantially complete. Building A exterior is approximately 50% complete and will continue into next month. Building B walls and ceilings are nearly complete, and work will begin on corridor flooring this month. Much work continues inside Building A, including ceilings and final painting on the upper floors, with interior utility work on the first floor common area and daycare space. Building systems (e.g. fire alarms, elevators etc) will be inspected and commissioned following connection to permanent power, which is expected mid-December.</p> <p>On site, asphalt paving of the roads and some of the multi-use paths is complete, as well as concrete sidewalks along Inyo Street connecting the buildings to Center Street. Grading for the childcare playground will occur this week and next, with installation of playground equipment and fencing later this month. Landscaping and public playground installation will be scheduled for next spring.</p>
<b>The Parcel Phase 2</b>	Tree removal began on 11/6 in anticipation of receiving funding and starting construction next year. Additional info regarding funding allocation will be available later this month.
<b>Chaparral Extension (The Parcel)</b>	Installation of underground wet utilities (storm drain, sewer and water) is complete. Concrete curb and gutter have also been installed, along with asphalt road paving. Underground dry utilities (electrical and telecom), sidewalks and multi-use paths will be scheduled for next spring.
<b>60 Joaquin</b>	Site prep for foundations is complete. Underground utility installation on site and into the street is nearly complete. The building permit plan check process is ongoing, and foundation construction may be approved in advance of the modular superstructure of the building, to allow the project to continue moving forward.
<b>OMR Beautification Phase 1</b>	Negotiations with potential contractors have not been successful thus far. Town is considering combining phase 1 of this project with the landscaping work anticipated to be completed at The Parcel next summer.
<b>Main Street Landscaping Phase 1</b>	Staff continues a conversation with a contractor for the completion of this work, with the intent of starting with confirmation of existing irrigation system this fall, to be followed by new irrigation and planting installation next spring and summer.
<b>HSIP Intersection crossings</b>	Overhead signs and beacons have been installed and the project is now complete.
<b>Laurel Mountain Rd Rehab &amp; Sidewalk</b>	The project is substantially complete, with all utilities, concrete, and asphalt work finished. A ribbon-cutting was held on October 18, and the road and sidewalk are open to the public. Upcoming weeks will see installation of streetlight foundations and poles, and a flashing pedestrian beacon at Tavern Road, and striping of crosswalks and stop bars. Striping of centerline, bike lanes and parking stalls is temperature dependent and therefore may be delayed until Spring.

<b>Fuel Island</b>	Work is complete and the fuel island is now back in service. However, while the concrete material and installation is serviceable, it does not meet Town specifications, and may be removed and replaced in the spring at the contractor's cost.
<b>New Civic Center</b>	Staff expects completion of Design Development documents in early December, at which point the project will be brought to PEDC for Design Review approval, after which the design team will proceed working on construction drawings and specifications adequate for bidding and permit submittal in April 2024. The Town was not awarded the initial \$12.6M Emergency Operations Center grant, but is awaiting results of a second substantial grant application. Construction on site – including grading, utilities, and building foundations - could begin as early as July 2024.
<b>Foundation Childcare</b>	Staff awaits completion of 100% design/bid documents. We plan to go out to bid before the end of the year and award a contract in early February. Construction on site could begin in early spring, with re-location of the portable units in late June, corresponding with the end of the school year. This project currently consists of providing a core and shell building only. The details of childcare facility operation are in progress.
<b>Dog Park Infrastructure</b>	Site clearing, subgrade preparation and installation of utilities is complete, and the contractor has demobilized for the winter. Construction of concrete curb, asphalt, and fencing will occur along with installation of the restroom and turf in the spring.
<b>SHARP Trailhead Infrastructure</b>	Staff awaits completion of 100% design/bid documents, with plans to go out to bid in December and award a contract in early February. Construction on site could start in spring of next year.

Caltrans quarterly report link

<https://caltrans.maps.arcgis.com/apps/dashboards/67670a6e24ee42628f5a852c61b57abf>

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## Staff Report

December 11, 2023

**TO:** Mono County Local Transportation Commission

**FROM:** Gerry LeFrancois, LTC staff  
Aaron Washco, LTC staff

**SUBJECT:** SB 125 project submittals for Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) and Zero-Emission Transit Capital Program (ZETCP)

### RECOMMENDATION

Approve list of projects for Senate Bill (SB) 125; submittal and future completion of documents to receive funding will be conducted by the LTC Co-Executive Directors as authorized by Resolution R20-08.

### FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

No impact to LTC funds as SB 125 projects are funded by grants.

### ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE

SB 125 projects funds that are feasibility and planning activities are exempt under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines §15262; other projects shall include a separate CEQA analysis as applicable.

### BACKGROUND

SB 125 contains two separate funding programs: (1) the Transit & Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) and (2) the Zero Emission Transit Capital Program (ZETCP). The Mono County Local Transportation Commission (MCLTC) is eligible for a total of \$2,414,427 in SB 125 funding over the next four years. For both TIRCP and ZETCP, the applicants will be the Eastern Sierra Transit Authority (ESTA) and the Yosemite Area Regional Transportation Service (YARTS).

The funding is distributed to Regional Transportation Planning Agencies and then suballocated to transit operators. A signed cover letter from the RTPA is required as part of an initial Allocation Package by December 31, 2023. Approval of projects under a submitted Allocation Package, is subject to SB 125 guidelines and the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA). The project list may be amended in the future.

### DISCUSSION

The following projects are currently being proposed and evaluated for SB 125 funding in consultation with ESTA and YARTS:

(1) Feasibility study into hydrogen fuel infrastructure. (ESTA/YARTS)

California is in the process of transitioning to zero-emission vehicles for public transportation. While many municipalities are transitioning to electric vehicles, such vehicles are not an option in Mono County for a variety of reasons, including the route lengths, elevation changes, lack of traction control devices for electric buses, and low temperatures in winter. As a result, hydrogen appears to be one option for zero emission vehicles for public transportation in Mono County.

This study would analyze the feasibility of utilizing hydrogen for ESTA and YARTS operations and provide a path to accomplishing California's zero-emission vehicle targets in Mono County.

(2) Purchase of transit vehicles. (ESTA)

ESTA is presently in the process of evaluating the purchase of vanpool vehicles to replace an aging fleet.

(3) Seed Funding for Operations and Maintenance Facility. (YARTS)

Currently, YARTS does not own any administrative, maintenance, operations or fueling facilities, instead relying on a contractor. The contractor-owned maintenance and operations facility houses staff for day-to-day operations and the majority of YARTS buses. During certain times of the year, some YARTS-owned vehicles are also stored on private property in Tuolumne or parked overnight along the side of the road in Mammoth Lakes. This lack of publicly-owned facilities is reflected in higher ongoing operating costs and impeding the transition to a zero emission fleet. This project is for seed funding for continued project development, initial land acquisition, and/or to support a local match contribution for future phase costs to design and construct a future YARTS-owned operations and maintenance facility necessary to support the future conversion of YARTS fleet to alternative fuel vehicles. See Attachment 2 for additional details.

**ATTACHMENTS**

1. Resolution 20-08 Authorizing the Co-Director's Signature on Various Funding Agreements
2. Project Description: Seed Funding for Operations and Maintenance Facility (YARTS)

**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)

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 Jennifer Kreitz, Chair  
 Mono County Local Transportation Commission

Approved as to form:

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

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 Christy Milovich, Assistant County Counsel

ATTEST:

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

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 Melissa Bell, Secretary











# LTC R20-08

Final Audit Report

2020-09-08

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<b>Project Title:</b>	Seed Funding for Operations and Maintenance Facility
<b>Type of Project</b>	Project Development
<b>Implementing Agency:</b>	YARTS

**Project Description:**

Currently, Yosemite Area Regional Transit System (YARTS) does not own any administrative, maintenance, operations or fueling facilities; instead relying on a Contractor. The Contractor-owned maintenance and operations facility houses staff for day-to-day operations and the majority of YARTS buses. During certain times of the year, some YARTS-owned vehicles are also stored on private property in Tuolumne or parked overnight along the side of the road in Mammoth Lakes. This lack of publicly-owned facilities is reflected in higher ongoing operating costs and impeding a transition to zero emission fleet. This project is for seed funding for continued project development, initial land acquisition, and/or to support a local match contribution for future phase costs to design and construct a future YARTS-owned operations and maintenance facility which is necessary to support the future conversion of YARTS fleet to alternative fuel vehicles.



**Summary of Project Scope**

The scope of the funding is for project development, such as location analysis, facility programming for size of storage or vehicle maintenance functions, and capacity of alternative fueling stations. It may also include initial land acquisition or local match for future phases.

Start/End Dates by Project Phase		
Phase	Start Date	End Date
Planning	July 2024	Feb 2025
Design		
Land Acquisition		
Construction		

**Detailed Project Schedule**

*If the project is approved as eligible in the initial allocation package, MCAG will prepare a detailed project scheduler will completion dates of all major delivery milestones.*

**Project Cost and Funding Sources**

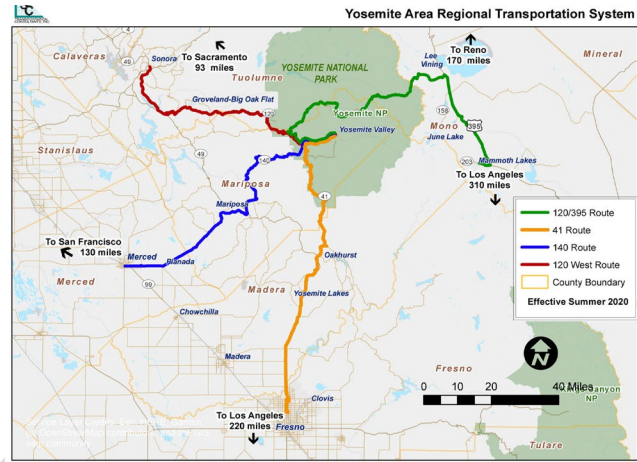
Source	FY23-24	FY24-25	FY25-26	FY26-27
TIRCP		\$2,000,000		



<b>Total Cost</b>		<b>\$2,000,000</b>		
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**Project Location**

To be determined. Recommendation from the YARTS Strategic Plan including purchase of a facility in Merced, but also consideration of locations in Mammoth Lakes, Groveland or Oakhurst.



**GHG Reduction**

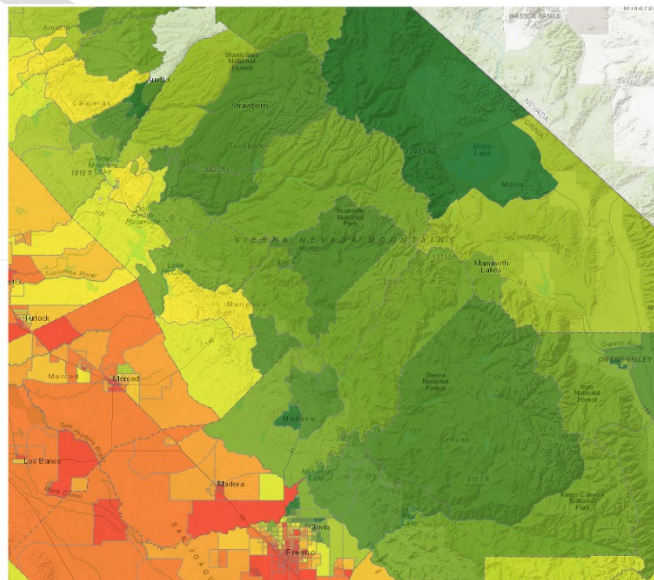
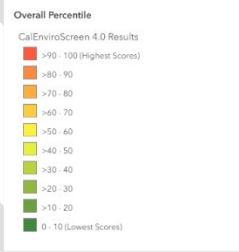
The YARTS fleet consists of ten over-the-road coaches, with an additional nine provided by the Contractor. Service requires a maximum of 11 buses during peak operation, and with a 20 percent spare ratio, a total of 14 vehicles are required in the fleet. The establishment of a YARTS Operations and Maintenance Facility would enable the transition of this fleet to zero emissions vehicles. *(CARB GHG Quantification Methodology modeling underway)*

**Ridership Benefits**

The addition of a YARTS-owned operations and maintenance facility would reduce ongoing operating costs currently directed to Contractor-owned facilities, enabling that savings to be redistributed to reinstating service on routes to bring ridership up to pre-pandemic levels.

**Benefit to Disadvantaged Communities**

*(narrative under development)*



LTC Co-Executive Director Report  
December 11, 2023

**Administration**

- Met with staff, Caltrans and the Commission Chair to coordinate the agenda.

**Meetings**

- 11/15: SB 125 transit fund meeting.
- 11/16: Mono County Planning Commission meeting to make formal finding in compliance with state law that roads capital improvement projects are consistent with the General Plan.
- 11/17: Rural Counties Task Force meeting.
- 11/30: CTC workshop on SB 1121 State and Local Transportation Needs Assessment.
- 12/6: CTC meeting on Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) guidelines and Local Transportation Climate Adaptation Program.
- 12/7: ESTA & LTC staff on refining SB 125 project submittal.
- 12/1 & 12/7: Mono County staff discussed Lee Vining streetscape, including a site visit.
- Several meetings on parking issue in unincorporated Mono County regarding RVs.
- Several meetings to coordinate expenditure of funds (PPM, RPA), time studies and billing, etc.

**Programs**

- Drafting 2024 RTIP submittal package.
- Initiating 2024 unmet transit needs process and Social Services Transportation Advisory Council appointments.
- Tracking various state and federal transportation meetings.

**Grant Tracking**

No report at this time.

Significant resources across all agencies continue to be diverted to management of repair work due to damage from weather events.

Please contact Haislip Hayes for questions about Town of Mammoth Lakes projects at 760-965-3652 or [hhayes@townofmammothlakes.ca.gov](mailto:hhayes@townofmammothlakes.ca.gov).

For questions about Mono County projects and/or administration, please contact Wendy Sugimura at 760-924-1814 or [wsugimura@mono.ca.gov](mailto:wsugimura@mono.ca.gov) to be directed to the appropriate staff.