



# NEVADA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: The Nevada County Transportation Commission

FROM: Daniel B. Landon, Executive Director 

SUBJECT: Executive Director's Report for the January 26, 2011 Meeting

DATE: January 14, 2011

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### 1. NEVADA COUNTY AIRPORT LAND USE COMPATIBILITY PLAN PROJECT

On January 13<sup>th</sup> Ken Brody and Maranda Thompson with Mead & Hunt, Inc. met with a Project Advisory Committee made up of Tom Last, City of Grass Valley Planning Director; Tyler Barrington, Nevada County Senior Planner; Greg Marshall, Nevada County Airport Manager; Cindy Siegfried, Nevada City Planner; and Daniel Landon, NCTC Executive Director. Discussion at the meeting included an overview of the roles of Airport Land Use Commissions (ALUCs) and of airport land use planning. A list of data needs for the project was reviewed.

The next product for this project will be a preliminary assessment and evaluation of the existing airport conditions, and preliminary consistency review of the City of Grass Valley and Nevada County General Plans. This report will be presented to the Project Advisory Committee in March.

### 2. NEVADA COUNTY PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Nevada County Transportation Commission staff has scheduled presentations at the upcoming meetings of the Grass Valley City Council on January 25, 2011 and the City Council of Nevada City on January 26, 2011 to provide an overview of the Nevada County Pedestrian Improvement Plan. Following these presentations, the consultant firm Fehr & Peers will prepare the final report, which will be presented to NCTC for adoption at their meeting scheduled for March 16, 2011.

### 3. JOINT UNMET TRANSIT NEEDS WORKSHOP

A joint public workshop with staff from NCTC, Placer County Transportation Planning Agency, and the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency was held on November 6, 2010 at 1:30 p.m. at the North Tahoe Conference Center in Kings Beach, CA. Approximately twenty people attended the workshop and provided comments on transit needs in Truckee/North Tahoe area. The participants provided the following input on unmet needs in Truckee and the Eastern Nevada County area:

- The need for year round fixed route service on State Route 267 between the Town of Truckee and Kings Beach was requested by several participants.
- There is a need for out of the area transportation to Auburn, Nevada City, Reno, and Sacramento for medical and/or county services.

- There was a request to develop a regional Social Service Transportation Advisory Committee that addresses Resort Area Triangle social service transportation issues.
- There was a request for transit service from Kings Beach to the Sierra College campus in Truckee.
- Additional on-demand or increased fixed route transit services to the Sierra Senior Services senior apartment housing in Truckee.
- Placement of a bus shelter at the Truckee Regional Park was requested.
- Consider a cooperative agreement between school buses and public transit and also consider carrying mail and packages.
- There is a need for bus shelters on both sides of SR 89 near the Gateway Shopping Center.
- Paratransit services are needed by disabled residents that must travel between Kings Beach and the Town of Truckee.
- The bus shelter on Donner Pass Road in front of the Dairy Queen needs a trash receptacle.
- There is a need to provide a way to increase the number of bicycles that can be transported on the buses.
- The addition of an earlier and a later run on the Tahoe Area Regional Transit bus between Tahoe City and the Town of Truckee would better accommodate work schedules.
- Fixed route transit service to Tahoe Donner and Glenshire subdivisions was requested.

These comments will be provided to the Town of Truckee for consideration in transit planning activities. A public hearing to receive testimony on unmet transit needs in western Nevada County will be scheduled in the spring of 2011.