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TRUCKEE TAHOE AIRPORT DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTOR STAFF REPORT

AGENDA TITLE: Approval of Aquatic Invasive Species Watercraft Inspection

Station on Airport Property for the Summer of 2016.

MEETING DATE: April 27, 2016

PREPARED BY: Phred Stoner, Director of Operations and Maintenance

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends the approval of the agreement with the Town of Truckee for the temporary use of a portion of the south ramp for the purpose of inspecting watercraft for the presence of invasive aquatic species, before watercraft enter local waterways.

<u>DISCUSSION:</u> In 2010, the Truckee River Watershed Council partnered with the Tahoe Resource Conservation District, and with the cooperation of various water body managers, implemented an Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) inspection program and development of a Vulnerability Assessment. Based on the Truckee Regional AIS Vulnerability Assessment, it was recommended that the voluntary watercraft inspection program be shifted to a mandatory inspection program. In August of 2013, the Truckee Town Council adopted Ordinance 2012-06, making watercraft inspections mandatory. In January, 2014, the Truckee Town Council passed Ordinance 2014-01, amending the AIS Program to further define the program.

Inspection locations were tried at Northstar and Truckee Town Hall. Both locations were found to be inadequate. The Airport location is temporary and anticipated only for the summer of 2016. The Town is working on identifying a long term permanent site solution.

The inspection program would be in operation from May 19 through September 30, Thursday through Sunday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

The Tahoe Resource Conservation District, under the management of the Town of Truckee's Support Services Manager, will provide, operate, and maintain all necessary equipment and personnel to provide the prescribed inspection and decontamination services.

<u>WHAT'S NEXT:</u> If TTAD approves the proposed agreement with the Town of Truckee, the contractor commissioned to perform inspections, Tahoe Resource Conservation District, will position all necessary facilities on the proposed inspection site, and with TTAD staff, develop a plan that will include traffic patterns and placement of effective signage.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT:</u> The cost to the District to install necessary ramp entrances is minimal, and will be a permanent facility improvement. No operational or maintenance costs to the District are requested, nor anticipated.

SAMPLE MOTION(S): Item is proposed for approval on the consent agenda. By consent the Board is approving use of a portion of south ramp for the Boat Inspection station for the summer of 2016 per the terms prescribed in the attached Ground Lease Agreement and Map. The Board is also authorizing the Board President to sign the Ground Lease Agreement between the Town of Truckee and the Airport District.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. Ground Lease Agreement
- 2. Aerial map of the proposed site