



TRUCKEE TAHOE AIRPORT DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTOR STAFF REPORT

AGENDA TITLE: Agency Partnership Request: Kings Beach Multi-Feature Trail

MEETING DATE: Wednesday, July 26, 2017

PREPARED BY: Marc R. Lamb, Aviation & Community Services Manager

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff is requesting a Board determination for an Agency Partnership for a multi-feature trail project in the Tahoe Basin, near Kings Beach (see attached map). The agency partnership request is for the initial project construction funding from TTAD in the amount of \$85,000 to cover underfunded construction costs. TTAD's "Agency Partnership" would be directly with the North Tahoe Public Utility District (NTPUD). A NTPUD Board approved resolution is attached. The proposed project would also be supported by the Tahoe Fund, the Tahoe Area Mountain Biking Association (TAMBA) and the United States Forest Service (USFS).

The TTAD Board has already designated a line item in the FY16-17 Budget for Lake Tahoe Basin Trails Funding in the amount of \$100,000. Amy Berry with the Tahoe Fund, and others representing and supporting this project will be present at the July 2017 TTAD Board meeting to provide additional information and answer any questions if needed.

DISCUSSION: As part of the Board approved TTAD Strategic Plan, directives are given for District support of community and constituent benefit programs, including recreation and trails. Supporting the Kings Beach Multi-Feature Trail via an Agency Partnership is a possible way to achieve these objectives. The following are some specifics of this proposed project.

Project Goal: Improve environmental degradation and water quality of an existing two mile long shared-use trail by creating a world class multi-feature trail that will enhance benefits to the community at large, and expand trail linkage from the Tahoe Basin to Truckee.

Project Specifics: Two miles of trail to be reconstructed, 30+ new features (tabletop jumps and berms), 120+ water quality improvements (rolling grade dips installed and drainage feature improvements).

Project Cost and Ongoing Maintenance Support: Following is how each organization will contribute.

NTPUD – Currently maintains a bike trail system in their District that connects the North Tahoe Regional Park to SR267 and will promote ongoing community volunteer work days on the Kings Beach Multi-Feature Trail. NTPUD will also recognize TTAD for its support of the trail project.

TAMBA - Volunteer Hours: 500 minimum (\$12,070. Expensed value).

USFS – Lake Tahoe Division has committed \$10,000 for water quality and erosion control projects for the Kings Beach Multi-Feature Trail.

In 2016 ACAT completed a comprehensive Trails Master Plan for the District, based on proposed airport property trails, (not off-site Tahoe Basin projects). Due to this earlier work with trails however, staff felt it appropriate for ACAT to receive feedback on this potential Tahoe Basin project prior to it going to the Board. After a presentation by Amy Berry, with the Tahoe Fund and Jacob Quinn, with the USFS at the May 16, 2017 ACAT meeting, an in-depth and detailed discussion ensued with positive public comment.

With regards to project funding options, Tahoe Funds’ research has determined that the project is not eligible for “triangle” federal funding per Placer County. Potential Recreation Trail Program grants through the state may be an option, but are highly competitive. Tahoe Fund itself is a possible resource option but not at any level necessary to begin the project.

Regarding the environmental value and stewardship, - modeling suggest current trails in the area contribute 0.2 to 1.3 tons of sediment to Griff Creek per year. The USFS has been able to reduce sedimentation up to 90% by redesigning trails in similar proposed fashion. The trail project is on Forest Service land and has already received required National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) permitting.

There was an ACAT observation that as part of the Trails Master Plan it is important for the trail/project to be geared to all types of users. It was discussed that this trail may be too specific to mountain bikes and the multi-use concept needed to be well explained. As the trail is within the USFS trail system and is designated an Off Highway Vehicle (OHV) “multi-use” trail, it is open for general public use - hikers, bikers, motorcycles and vehicles.

Finally, long term maintenance of the proposed trail project was discussed. The proposed trail reconstruction is designed to need limited maintenance, but since the trail is within the USFS trail system, it will be maintained by the USFS with additional volunteer support coming from TAMBA, the NTPUD and other trail volunteers.

WHAT’S NEXT: If the Agency Partnership and subsequent TTAD construction funding is approved, work will commence this fall, with completion planned by summer 2018.

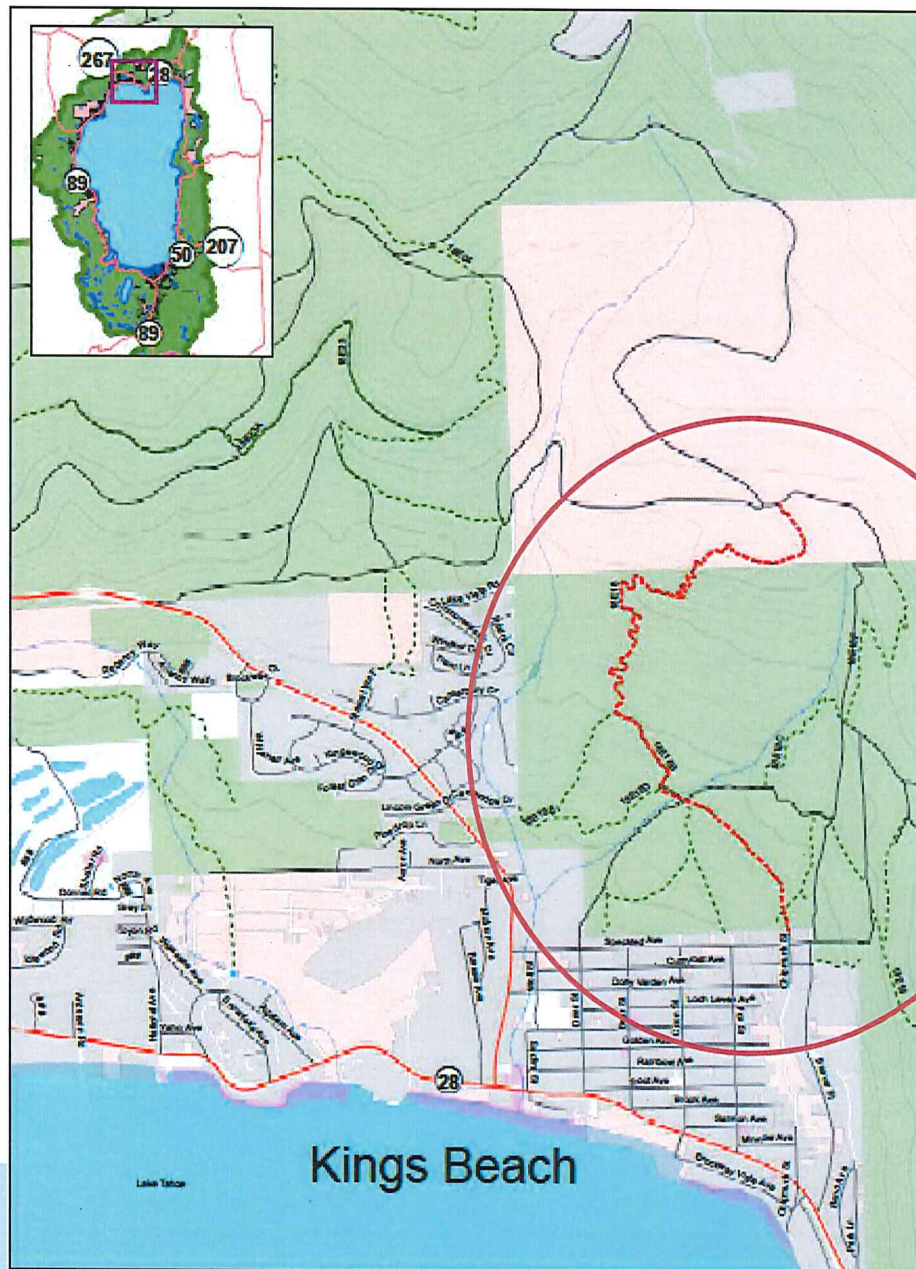
FISCAL IMPACT: \$85,000 if fully funded. FY16-17 line item already approved by the TTAD Board for \$100,000 for Tahoe Basin Trails Funding.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS: If approved by the TTAD Board, NTPUD would recognize TTAD for its support of the project. It has been published in routine public postings through TTAD Board and ACAT agendas. TTAD would communicate about the project in its public outreach programs.

SAMPLE MOTION(S): I move to approve all, (or part) of the Kings Beach Multi-Feature Trail Agency Partnership request, for funding of the project in the amount of \$85,000.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Kings Beach Trail Project map
- NTPUD 7/18/2017 Board meeting resolution
- Agency Partnership Application from TAMBA



Kings Beach Trail Project



RESOLUTION 2017-14
A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTH TAHOE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS SUPPORTING A PARTNERSHIP WITH TRUCKEE TAHOE
AIRPORT DISTRICT TO PROVIDE ENHANCEMENTS TO THE TRAIL NETWORK ON THE
NORTH SHORE OF LAKE TAHOE

WHEREAS, the Truckee Tahoe Airport District (TTAD) and the North Tahoe Public Utility District (NTPUD) service the same constituency; and

WHEREAS, trails of all classifications are a common and popular amenity with constituents of both Districts and in high demand; and

WHEREAS, trail connectivity is a regional goal connecting all areas of the resort triangle; and

WHEREAS, the US Forest Service has committed \$10,000 to the Kings Beach Multi-Feature Trail (project); and

WHEREAS, as the Tahoe Area Mountain Bike Association (TAMBA) has committed a minimum of 500 volunteer hours to the project, and

WHEREAS, the Truckee Tahoe Airport District has reached out to the NTPUD inquiring about NTPUD support for trails, specifically the Kings Beach Multi-Feature Trail; and

WHEREAS, the Recreation and Park Commission of the NTPUD voted unanimously to recommend the NTPUD Board support the project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the North Tahoe Public Utility District supports a partnership with the Truckee Tahoe Airport District to provide enhancements to the trail network on the North Shore of Lake Tahoe.

1. The NTPUD, through its North Tahoe Regional Park, currently maintains a bike trail system that connects the park to SR267.
2. The NTPUD will promote community work days on the Kings Beach Multi-Feature Trail via posts on social media as well as engaging the Commission and community to schedule volunteer work days.
3. That the Truckee Tahoe Airport District will be recognized for its support of the project.
4. That the General Manager or designated staff is authorized to execute documents related to the Truckee Tahoe Airport District funding support for Trail project.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NORTH TAHOE
PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT THIS 18th DAY OF July 2017, BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL
CALL VOTE:

AYES: Directors Coolidge, Daniels, Ferrell, Thompson, and Lewis
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None



S. Lane Lewis, President
Board of Directors

ATTEST:



Duane Whitelaw
General Manager/CEO



TRUCKEE TAHOE AIRPORT DISTRICT Agency Partnership Request Form

Name of Organization/Group: Tahoe Area Mountain Biking Association Date of Request: 7/21/2017

Name of Authorized Representative: Ben Fish, President

E-mail address: info@tamba.org / benfish78@gmail.com

Complete mailing address: PO Box 13712
South Lake Tahoe, CA 96151

Phone - Daytime: 530 416 1786 Evening: same Fax: na

Agency / Elected Body: NTPUD

Eligibility Checklist (all boxes must be checked to be considered)

- ☒ Agency Partnership must be endorsed, through a formal motion or resolution with findings approved by the governing board of another local public agency with an elected or appointed board. (Non-profit and community organizations are eligible when in partnership with a local public agency, and are named as such in the formal motion or resolution)
 - ☒ The motion approved by the partnering public agency governing board should:
 - Describe the public benefit of the request and/or partnership opportunity
 - Outline what the partnering agency intends to contribute to the request
 - Express support for the requested event, program, or project
 - If applicable, name the partnering non-profit organization
- ☒ Applicant is not a State or Federal Agency.
- ☒ Applicant does not promote religious purposes. Religious organizations are not excluded from Agency Partnerships; however, the purpose of the program must be as described in the definitions section of TTAD's Policy Instruction 311 and shall not serve to promote a religious message as the primary purpose.
- ☒ Applicant is not a political organization and/or individual campaign.
- ☒ Applicant does not discriminate on the basis of age (40 and above), race, religion, gender, gender identity or gender expression, sexual orientation, genetic information, marital status, disability, ancestry, or national origin.
- ☒ Applicant is not a single individual.
- ☒ Applicant is not a for-profit organization.
 - ☐ If the applicant is a for-profit organization holding fundraiser programs, they must identify a 501(c)(3) or California not-for-profit corporation as a recipient of the program proceeds and provide acknowledgement of receipt of said proceeds from that non-profit organization.
- ☒ Applicant's programs or events must provide a benefit to the Airport Districts' constituents or those living in the Districts' sphere of influence. The Applicant's programs or events must also principally serve District constituents.
- ☒ Applicant's programs or events must be open to the public and charge only nominal and reasonable participant fees where such fees and associated revenue are used to offset program costs or are part of the fundraising effort.

Eligibility Checklist continued...

- ☒ Applicant is willing to present, in a public forum, a presentation describing the request to the Airport District's Board of Directors
- ☒ Applicant is not an individual or organization or public agency that has been named in a lawsuit involving the District or have pending or threatened litigation with the District.
- ☒ Applicant is of upstanding moral and public character. Applicants has a fiduciary responsibility to maintain a public image that corresponds with that of the District's mission and core values.

Requirements if a Partnership is agreed to

The applicant must also agree to do the all of following (failure to do so will result in future ineligibility for a period of two years from written notice):

- ☒ Obtain all required permits, clearances, insurance, and program authorizations within time restraints and in compliance with local, State, and Federal laws and any applicable Truckee Tahoe Airport District policies and procedures.
- ☒ Permanently acknowledge the support of the Truckee Tahoe Airport District where appropriate, and include on all printed information and advertising related to the event for which sponsorship was provided the following statement: **"Major funding provided in part by the Truckee Tahoe Airport District"** or other logo approved by the General Manager.
- ☒ Allow the District to have a sponsor booth at the program/event if the Truckee Tahoe Airport District so desires (at programs/events where a sponsorship booth is appropriate) for the purposes of distributing information regarding the programs and community services the District provides. This booth shall be provided at no cost to the District. If necessary the District will provide its own booth and setup.
- ☒ Partnership recipients must agree to erect a banner (if appropriate) recognizing the District's support of the event or program. This banner shall be erected at the facility for the duration of the program, event, facility, or equipment. The verbiage of the banner shall be determined by the General Manager. The actual banner, if not provided as part of the sponsorship, will be provided by the Truckee Tahoe Airport District in accordance with the size requirements of the event or program.
- ☒ Provide the District with whatever benefits are afforded other sponsors of similar sponsorship or partnership levels (i.e., logo display, sponsor table, advertising benefits, etc.).
- ☒ The public agency receiving such funds shall extend any and all benefits, discounts, or access to the facilities that are extended to the residents of the public agency to all residents of the Truckee Tahoe Airport District on the same terms and conditions.

In cases of a significant financial partnership commitment, if funding is approved, the District shall require, as a condition of providing such funding assistance, all of the following:

- ☒ That the public agency receiving such funds shall extend any and all benefits, discounts, or access to the facilities that are extended to the residents of the public agency to all residents of the Truckee Tahoe Airport District on the same terms and conditions.
- ☒ Permanent acknowledgement of the Airport District's participation to the District's satisfaction.
- ☒ That the recipient of funds execute in favor of the District a Release and Covenant Not to Sue by the Aircraft utilizing that airport or the fund recipient's use of their real property, fund recipient as to:
 - Any claimed damages or adverse impacts of the Truckee Tahoe Airport,
 - Aircraft utilizing that airport or the fund recipient's use of their real property,
 - Any land use restrictions or increased structural requirements imposed by the Truckee Tahoe Land Use Commission's Compatible Land Use Plan, whether currently in effect or as may be later adopted.

Please provide a detailed description of your Sponsorship Request and how it will benefit your organization, and the Truckee Tahoe Airport District. (Use additional sheets as necessary.)

See attached

Amount Requested: \$ 85,000

Have you requested funding from TTAD before? N Y / N If "Yes" – when?

How will the District be recognized in your program? (Use additional sheets as necessary.)

See attached

Signature (Authorized Rep.): [Signature] Date: 7/21/2017

Please allow 60-90 days for your request to be reviewed and processed.

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For TTAD Use Only

Approved _____ Declined _____ at the public TTAD Board of Directors meeting held on _____.

By the following vote:

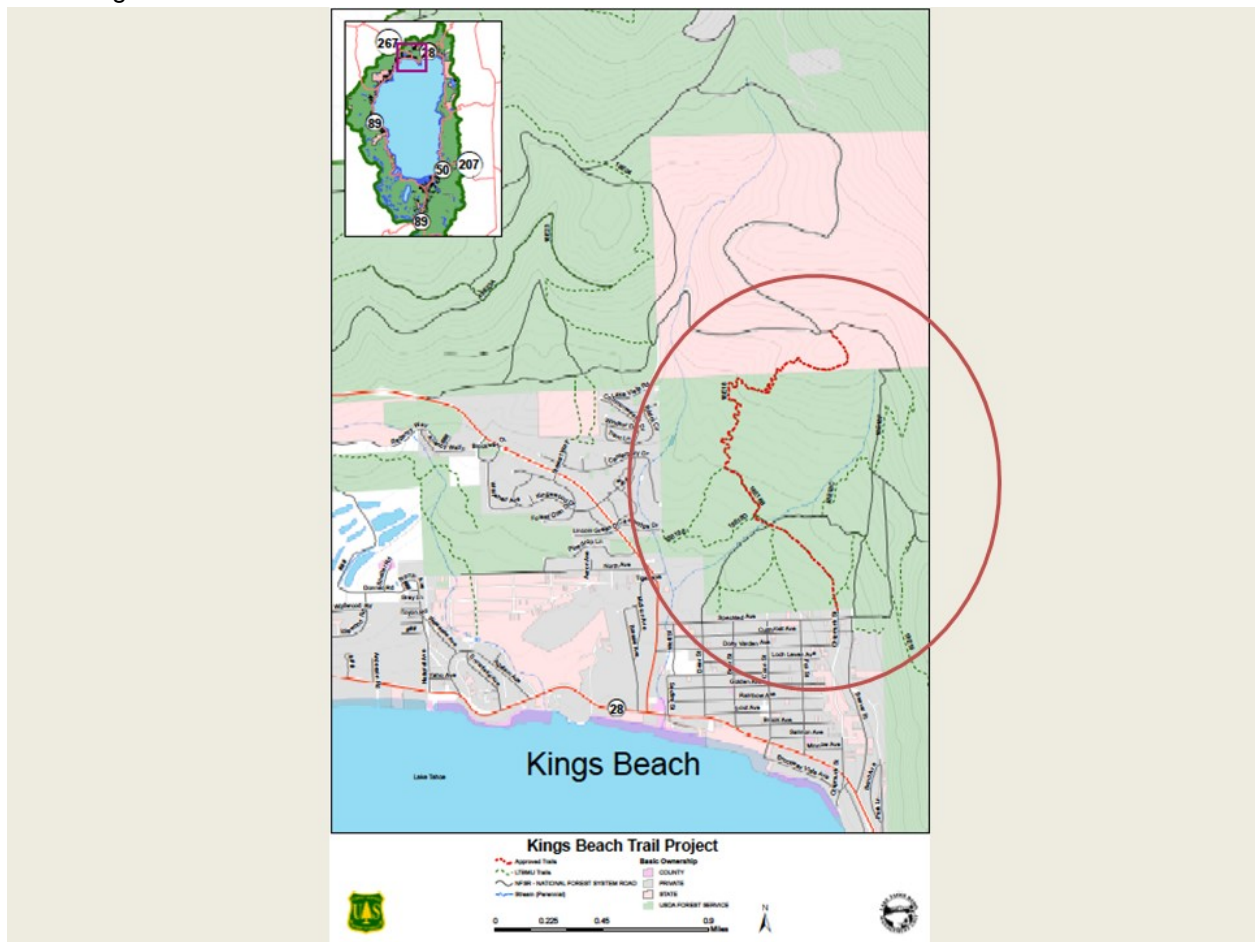
Ayes _____	Noes _____
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Absent _____

Kings Beach Multi-Feature Trail

Project Overview

- The project aims to transform a current OHV trail with major erosion issues into a multi-feature trail for use by mountain bikes, motorbikes, hikers and equestrians. The US Forest Service will build the new trail with volunteers from the [Tahoe Area Mountain Bike Association \(TAMBA\)](#). The North Tahoe Public Utility District and the Tahoe Fund are also partners in the project.
- The newly designed trail, located off Beaver Street in Kings Beach, will help prevent the flow of sediment from the eroding trail into Griff Creek and Lake Tahoe. The Forest Service and TAMBA will hold a public meeting in September to solicit thoughts and ideas from the community for the new trail.
- Improve environmental degradation and water quality of an existing shared-use trail by creating a world-class multi-feature trail that will enhance benefits to the community at large, and expand trail linkage from the Basin to Truckee.



Total Cost:

- USFS: \$10,000
- TAMBA Volunteer Hours: 500 min. (\$12,070 value)
- Unfunded Construction Costs: \$85,000

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Project details:

- 2 miles of trail reconstructed
- 30+ new features (tabletop jumps, berms)
- 120+ water quality improvements (rolling grade dips installed, drainage feature improvements)
- 500+ hours of volunteer trail building led by TAMBA
- NEPA Approval Complete
- Long-term maintenance by TAMBA and USFS

Current Issues

- Major erosion and water quality impacts on current OHV trail
- Spike in illegal trail building in the area
 - Dangerous for users
 - Environmental degradation

Erosion on Trail



- Modelling suggests current trails contribute between .2 and 1.3 tons of sediment to Griff Creek per year.
- On other similar trails, we have been able to reduce erosion by 90% by redesigning the trails

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Benefits to Truckee Tahoe Airport District

- This project gives the Airport the opportunity to heavily promote its support of the environment and recreation to the North Shore community, especially with constituents in the Tahoe Basin.
- Building on the great success of the Corral Trail in South Lake Tahoe, this will be the North Shore's premier multi-function trail.
- As it is currently unnamed, there is also an opportunity for the Airport to name it or to hold a contest to name it, further expanding exposure of the Airport's support.
- The trail will be built with the US Forest Service in partnership with TAMBA volunteers. This is a great opportunity to engage with the local community on trail building days and with Airport employees.
- Recognition of Truckee Tahoe Airport District through media outlets, social media and trail information
- This project aligns with the airport's strategic plan, specifically the following sections:
 - **Strategy Area 3: Community Benefits**
 - 3.4) Community Enhancement
 - Through partnerships with community organizations and airport user groups, the District will enhance the community by **providing unique and appropriate benefits** and value to constituents.
 - Objective 4: District wide benefits and community enhancements will be identified and pursued. The District will look for opportunities to provide aviation resources, sponsorships, and **community enhancement to all areas** of the District, **not just areas in close proximity** to the airport.
 - **Strategy Area 3: Community Benefits**
 - 3.2) Forest Management
 - Objective 1: For District-owned forest lands, the primary objective is **to improve forest health** and reduce the risk of catastrophic fires while preserving and/or enhancing wildlife habitat, protecting cultural resources and **maintaining water quality**.
 - **Strategy Area 4: Communication and Community Outreach**
 - 4.4) Non-impacted Residents
 - Engage with **non-impacted residents** in order to advise them on District activities and encourage use of District services, facilities, and resources.
 - Objective 1: **Inform non-impacted residents** of District activities, services, facilities, and resources. We want you to know more about your community airport. We offer amenities and resources in addition to aviation services.

Next Steps

- Schedule construction start date
- Organize TAMBA volunteers and public meeting to discuss questions and alignments

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Example Projects:

- The Kingsbury Stinger Trail in Stateline, NV and Corral Trail in South Lake Tahoe are two similar projects where TAMBA and the US Forest Service partnered to build world class multi-use trails with community and environmental benefits.

Kingsbury Stinger Trail – Stateline, NV



Corral Trail - South Lake Tahoe

