

MEMORANDUM

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

County of Placer

TO: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DATE: December 11, 2012

FROM: KEN GREHM/ PETER KRAATZ *KB*

SUBJECT: **FUNDING APPLICATION FOR THE KINGS BEACH COMMERCIAL CORE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

ACTION REQUESTED / RECOMMENDATION

1. Adopt a Resolution to approve submittal of up to \$350,000 for the 2012/2013 The Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Grant Program (EEMP) for the Kings Beach Commercial Core Improvement Project. There is no net County cost.
2. Authorize the Director of Public Works or his/her designee to execute in the name of Placer County Department of Public Works, all grant documents, including but not limited to, applications, agreements, amendments and requests for payment, necessary to secure grant funds and implement the approved grant project.

BACKGROUND / SUMMARY

The Kings Beach commercial area is located at the northerly gateway to the Lake Tahoe Basin at the intersection of State Highway 28 and State Highway 267. SR28 is the major community thoroughfare, a four lane highway connecting California with Nevada where in fact, the highway necks to two travel lanes on either side of the community. The Kings Beach Commercial Core Improvement Project (KBCCIP) proposes to partially reconstruct SR28 within the community of Kings Beach to achieve specific goals established in the Placer County General Plan, the Kings Beach Community Plan, and the Kings Beach Master Drainage Plan. Components of this project include reconfiguring the highway (4 lanes to 2 lanes with a middle turning lane and roundabouts at two intersections) to accommodate bicycle and pedestrian facilities and improve multi-modal mobility and safety; construct enhanced storm water drainage and water quality infrastructure to improve runoff conditions and that will meet regulatory requirements to the maximum extent practicable ; and construct streetscape amenities to improve access within the commercial core along State Highway 28, providing streetscape elements to enhance scenic qualities including vegetative landscaping that could help offset vehicular emissions; and construct sidewalks for pedestrians and bike lanes for bicyclists, and enhance public bus transit stops to improve access to jobs, housing, markets, and commerce.

Proposed project improvements will also include public parking lots and formalized on-highway parking to provide increased commercial core access and safer, more organized parking facilities. Overall, the project will provide economic stimulus and revitalization to this community on Tahoe's North Shore. The EEMP grant will fund a portion of the vegetative landscaping to help offset vehicular emissions of carbon dioxide through the planting of trees and other suitable plants.

Applications for funding are due on January 4, 2013; the Secretary for the Administration and Finance for the California Natural Resources Agency will make funding recommendations to the California Transportation Commission in August 2013.

ENVIRONMENTAL

The County has prepared an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) pursuant to the requirements for CEQA and the Placer County Environmental Review Ordinance; and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to meet the requirements of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency; and an Environmental Assessment (EA) to meet the requirements of the Federal Highway Administration. The EIR was adopted by the Board of Supervisors on September 23, 2008.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact to the County. If the Department is successful in this grant application, the Department will budget the appropriate amount in the appropriate Department Fiscal Year Budget(s). No matching funds are required for this grant.

Attachments: Resolution; Location Map

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Before the Board of Supervisors County of Placer, State of California

In the matter of: APPROVAL OF SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION(S) FOR GRANT FUNDS FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL ENHANCEMENT AND MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM(2012/2013) UNDER SECTION 164.56 OF THE STREET AND HIGHWAYS CODE FOR THE KINGS BEACH COMMERCIAL CORE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT; AND AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS AS SIGNATURE AUTHORITY FOR ALL GRANT RELATED DOCUMENTS.

Resol. No: _____

The following Resolution was duly passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer at a regular meeting held on _____ by the following vote on roll call:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Signed and approved by me after its passage.

Chair, Board of Supervisors

Attest:
Clerk of said Board

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of California has enacted AB 471 (Chapter 106 of the Statutes of 1989), which is intended to provide \$10 million annually for a period of 10 years for grant funds to local, state and federal agencies and nonprofit entities for projects to enhance and mitigate the environmental impacts of modified or new public transportation facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Natural Resources Agency has established the procedures and criteria for reviewing grant proposals and is required to submit to California Transportation Commission a list of recommended projects from which the grant recipients will be selected; and

WHEREAS, said procedures and criteria established by the Natural Resources Agency require a resolution certifying the approval of application by the Applicant's governing body before submission of said application to the State; and

WHEREAS, the application contains assurances that the Applicant must comply with; and

WHEREAS, the Applicant, if selected, will enter into an agreement with the State of California to carry out the environmental enhancement and mitigation project;

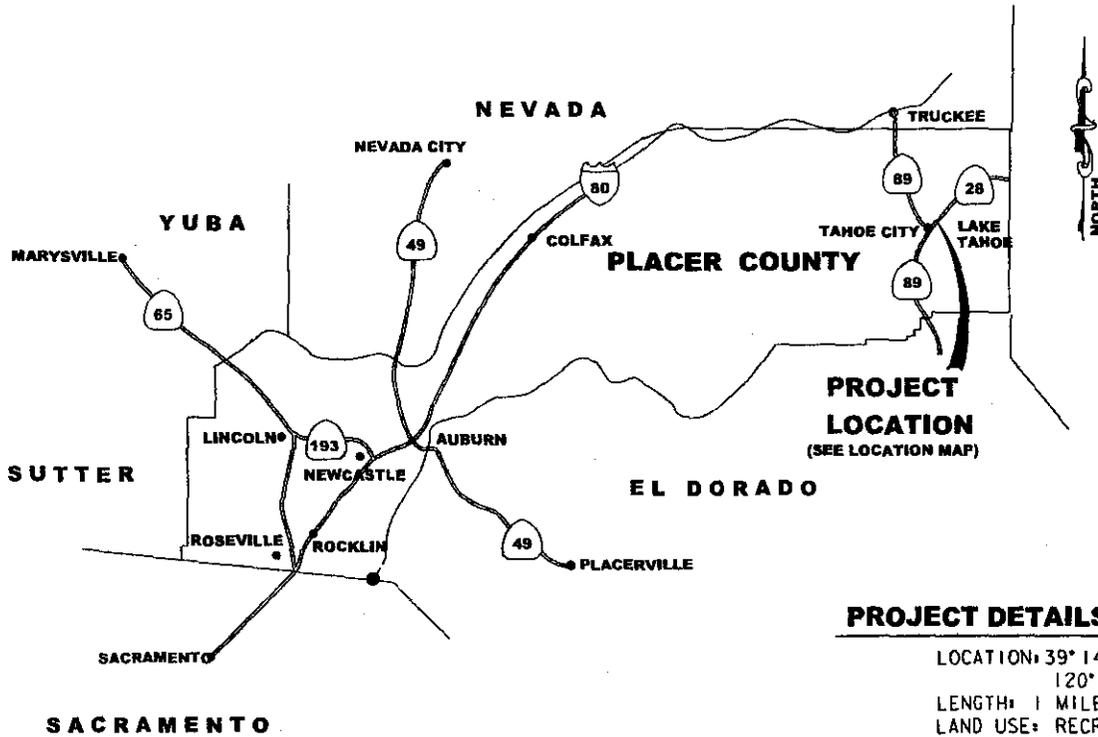
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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Placer County Board of Supervisors approves the filing of an application for the Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Program for the grant assistance, and certifies that said Applicant will make adequate provisions for operation and maintenance of the project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of Public Works or his/her designee is hereby authorized and empowered to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents, including, but not limited to applications, agreements, amendments, payment requests and so on, which may be necessary for the completion of the aforementioned project.

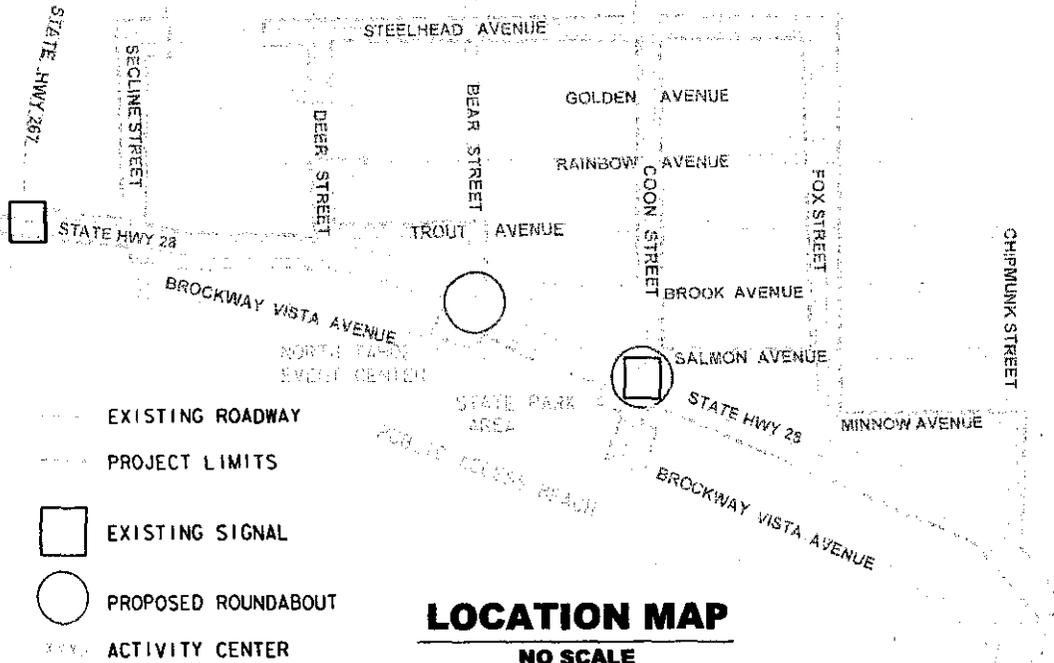
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VICINITY MAP KINGS BEACH COMMERCIAL CORE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT



PROJECT DETAILS:

LOCATION: 39° 14' 15.67" N
120° 01' 25.69" W
LENGTH: 1 MILE
LAND USE: RECREATIONAL,
RESIDENTIAL
& COMMERCIAL



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