

MEMORANDUM
OFFICE OF THE
COUNTY EXECUTIVE
COUNTY OF PLACER

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: David Boesch, County Executive Officer
Submitted by: Jennifer Merchant, Principal Management Analyst

DATE: January 22, 2013

SUBJECT: North Lake Tahoe Resort Association – Homewood “Missing Link” Bike Trail Segment

Action Requested

- I. Approve proposed North Lake Tahoe Resort Association infrastructure account expenditure for construction of the Homewood “Missing Link” Bike Trail Segment in the amount of up to \$600,000.

Background

Placer County has entered into an annual agreement with the North Lake Tahoe Resort Association to provide transportation and infrastructure project development and tourism marketing and visitor information services. The agreement is funded with general fund Transient Occupancy Tax dollars and requires Board of Supervisors approval prior to expenditure from the infrastructure portion of the agreement budget.

The Resort Association’s Infrastructure Committee and Board of Directors have voted to recommend that the County Executive Office carry forward the following project for approval by your Board. In doing so, they affirm that the project is consistent with the Resort Association’s Tourism and Community Investment Master Plan, which was approved by your Board in July 2004. Therefore, the following NLTRA infrastructure expenditure is being recommended by the County Executive Office for approval.

The recommended project has the potential to lead to significant improvements to the tourism infrastructure at North Lake Tahoe. The project recommended for funding is consistent with goals in the Resort Association’s Tourism & Community Investment Master Plan.

Brief Project Description / Funding Request:

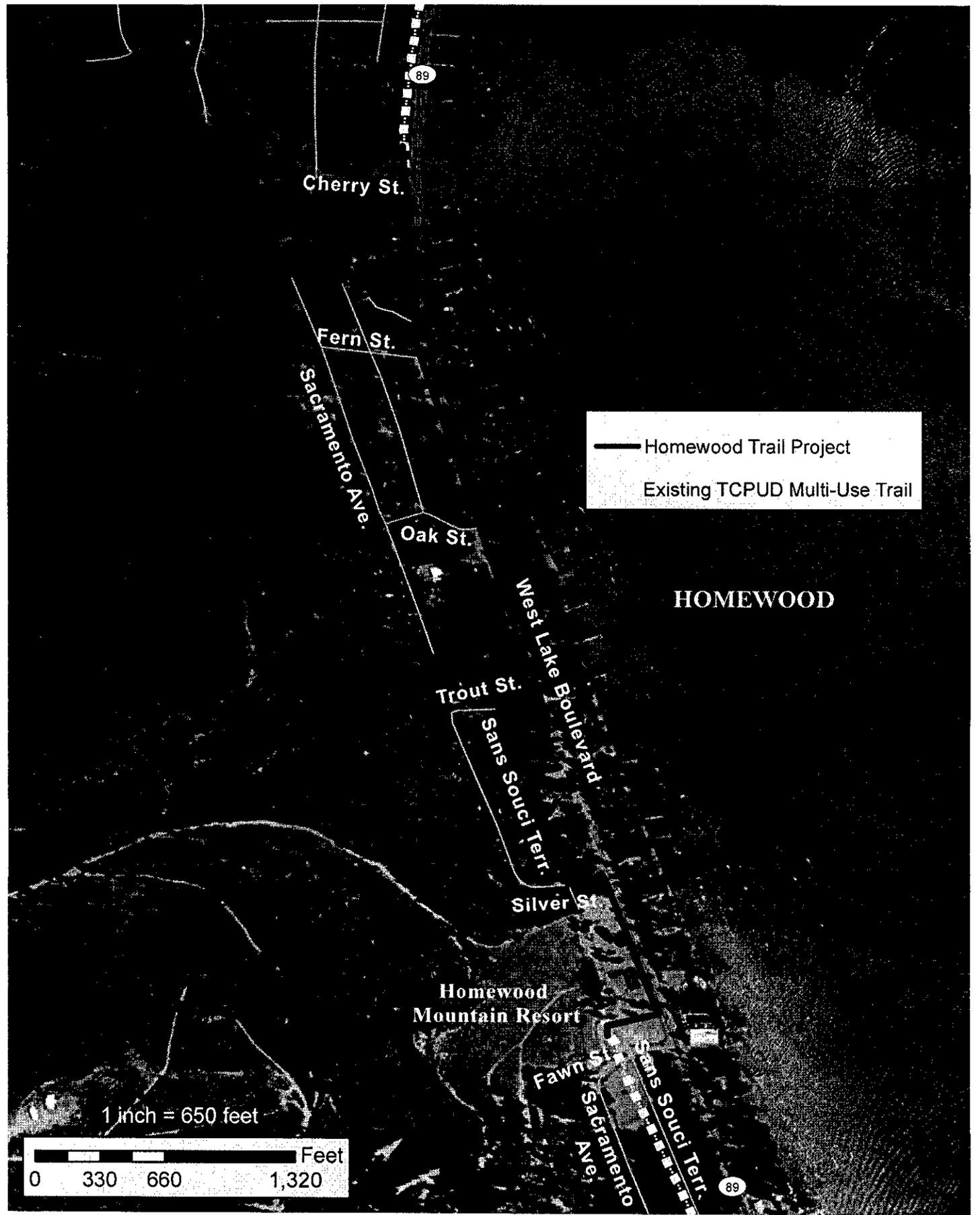
Homewood Bike Trail Project- Up to \$600,000

The Homewood Bike Trail Project will connect Cherry Street and Fawn Street west of SR 89 in Homewood. Construction of this one mile Class 1 segment will close a significant gap in the Tahoe City Public Utility District’s 20-mile bike trail system, and dramatically improve public safety by providing a safe, off-highway alternative through the Homewood area.

The TCPUD, who will be constructing the project, estimates the total project cost at \$1,557,970. Of the \$600,000 recommended for allocation, \$300,000 in Placer County TOT funding initially approved by your Board but not spent during construction of the TCPUD's Lakeside Bike Trail would be reallocated toward this project, resulting in only \$300,000 in new funding. The balance of funds is being sought from other grant sources, including the California Tahoe Conservancy. Design, engineering and environmental review of the project is expected to be complete in 2014, and the project start date will be determined by the Caltrans Highway 89 relocation and drainage project schedule.

Fiscal Impact: The funding described above would come from Transient Occupancy Tax funds generated in the North Lake Tahoe area and currently held in the County Treasury for the purpose of capital project implementation in eastern Placer County. There are sufficient funds available to fund the amount of the requested expenditure approval.

Environmental Analysis: The Board of Supervisors' approval of the NLTRA's funding contribution to this project is categorically exempt for CEQA per Guidelines Section 15061, which provides a general rule that if an activity does not have the potential to cause a significant environmental effect, it is exempt from CEQA. The Tahoe City Public Utility District is responsible for undertaking environmental review of this project per CEQA. Allocation of the recommended funding toward project construction would occur only once associated environmental analysis is certified as complete by the TCPUD.



Cherry St.

Fern St.

Sacramento Ave.

Oak St.

Trout St.

Sans Souci Terr.

Silver St.

West Lake Boulevard

Fawn St.

Sacramento Ave.

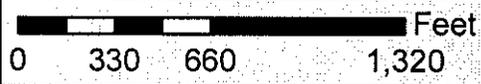
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Homewood Mountain Resort

HOMEWOOD

— Homewood Trail Project
 ... Existing TCPUD Multi-Use Trail

1 inch = 650 feet



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HOMEWOOD TRAIL PROJECT
 SITE LOCATION EXHIBIT



Map prepared Dec. 21, 2012

