

MEMORANDUM

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
County of Placer

TO: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DATE: April 6, 2010

FROM:  KEN GREHM / PETER KRAATZ

SUBJECT: **TAHOE CITY PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT'S LAKESIDE TRAIL PHASES V, VI & VII - MATCHING FUND COMMITMENT TO ESTABLISH ELIGIBILITY FOR BICYCLE TRANSPORTATION ACCOUNT FUNDING**

ACTION REQUESTED / RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution for Placer County to accept committed matching funds in an estimated amount of \$430,201 to establish eligibility for Caltrans Bicycle Transportation Account (BTA) funding for the Tahoe City Public Utility District's (TCPUD's) Lakeside Trail Phases V, VI, and VII in Tahoe City. The TCPUD has already secured the \$430,201 of necessary matching funds from the North Lake Tahoe Resort Association.

BACKGROUND / SUMMARY

The Bicycle Transportation Account (BTA) provides state funds for local agencies that improve safety and convenience for bicycle commuters. BTA funds may cover project planning, preliminary engineering, final design, right of way acquisition, construction and/or rehabilitation. Local agencies that are not affiliated with a city or county, such as Special Districts and Public Utility Districts, are eligible for BTA funding if their application is submitted by the appropriate City or County. In the case of the TCPUD's Lakeside Trail Phases V, VI & VII, Placer County is the appropriate agency to submit the BTA application. The Tahoe City Public Utility District has committed to complete the funding application and provide the necessary matching funds through other, non-State grant dollars in order to be eligible to receive BTA funding for their project.

A resolution was passed on December 5, 2006, adopting the Placer County components of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency (TRPA) Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan (BPMP) in order to establish eligibility for BTA funding on approved trail alignments which includes the Lakeside Trail. A resolution committing 10 percent of the total project cost of \$4,302,011 in matching funds is the only remaining step in order to qualify for BTA funding for the Lakeside Trail project. The TCPUD plans to pursue BTA funding to support the construction of the Lakeside Trail Phases V, VI, and VII.

ENVIRONMENTAL

The Lakeside Trail project was the subject of an EIR/EIS entitled *Community Trail Intertie Project Environmental Impact Report* (EIR) certified in May 1998 by the TRPA Governing Board. Since that time, six (6) segments (or phases) of the trail project have proceeded through design, construction documents and construction on a schedule largely based on available funding and available right-of-way. The goals and objectives of the project as stated in the EIS are still being met. The Project continues to enhance public safety by separating trail users from the highway corridor. The Project provides convenient access to the natural beauty of Lake Tahoe and its shoreline. As part of the Lake Shore Alignment, the Project follows the shoreline as close as possible providing scenic outlooks while avoiding sensitive areas as much as possible.

FISCAL IMPACT

Through the cooperation of Placer County, the TCPUD will seek \$1.8 million in BTA funding for the project. BTA funds will be applied for on a competitive basis for the Lakeside Trail Phase V, VI, and VII project, and other funds (North Lake Tahoe Resort Association) for the project have already been secured (\$430,201) that qualify for the 10 percent match required by the BTA. TC PUD will be fully responsible for this project and there will be no fiscal impact on the County.

Attachments:

- Resolution
- Project Location Map

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

In the matter of: A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING
MATCHING FUNDS TO ESTABLISH
ELIGIBILITY FOR CALTRANS' BICYCLE
TRANSPORTATION ACCOUNT (BTA) FUNDING
FOR THE TAHOE CITY LAKESIDE TRAIL
PHASES V, VI, AND VII

Resol. No:.....

Ord. No:.....

First Reading:.....

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

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Signed and approved by me after its passage.

Attest:
Clerk of said Board

Chairman, Board of Supervisors

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer, State of California that this Board adopts a Resolution for Placer County to accept committed matching funds in an estimated amount of \$430,201 to establish eligibility for Caltrans Bicycle Transportation Account (BTA) funding for the Tahoe City Public Utility District's (TCPUD's) Lakeside Trail Phases V, VI, and VII in Tahoe City.

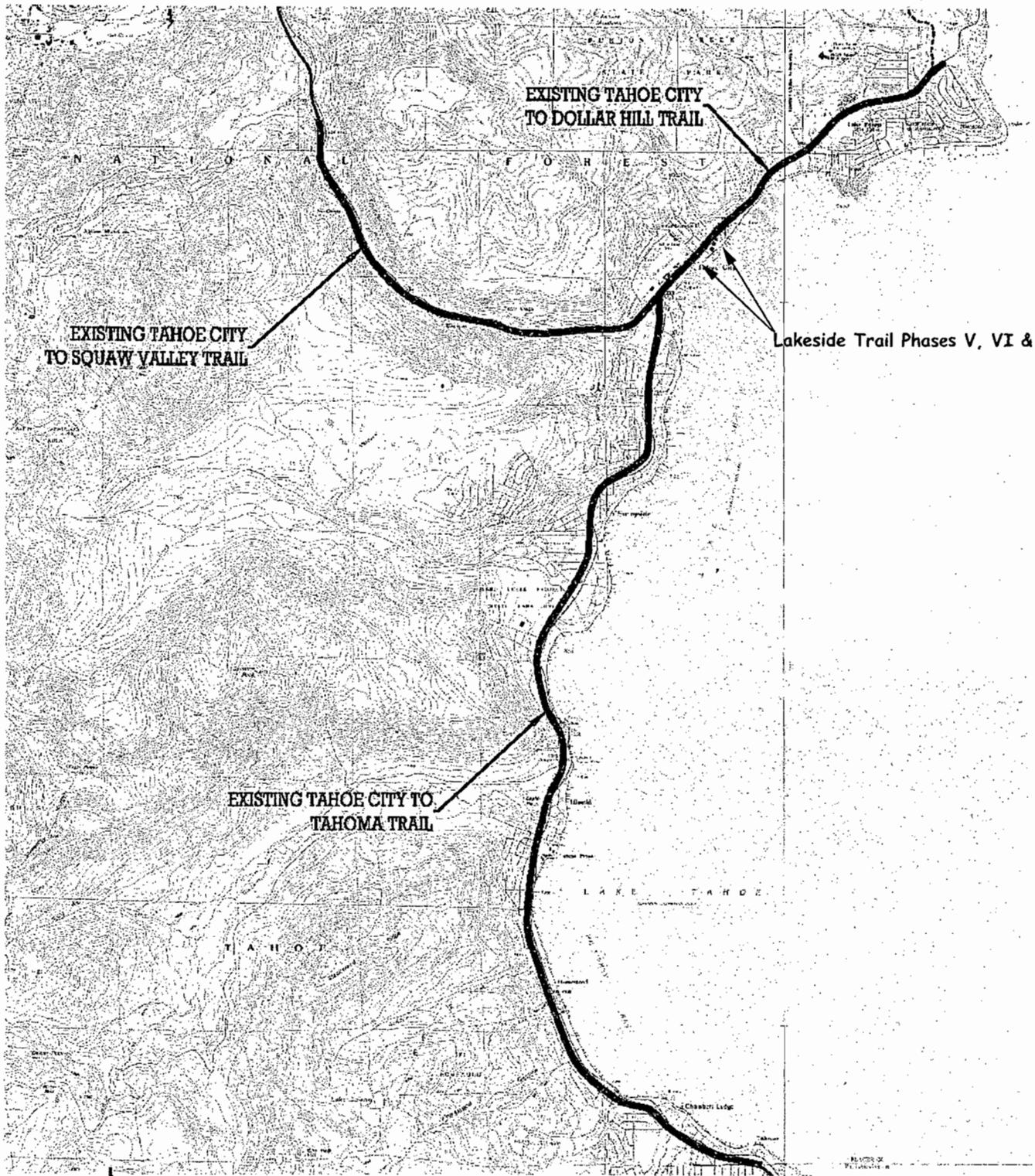


Figure No. 2
EXISTING TCPUD TRAIL NETWORK
 Project No. 1117.07B MAY 2009

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