

**Attachment 8A
Long Range Planning Update
September 9, 2014**

1. Land Use Policy Programmatic Update (LUPPU)

a. Targeted General Plan Amendment & Zoning Ordinance Update (TGPA-ZOU)

On July 10, 2014 the Planning Commission held a public hearing to receive comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR). The County's consultant clarified that the EIR prepared for the TGPA-ZOU is characterized as a "program EIR", which differs from the typical "project EIR" that is prepared for a site-specific project such as a highway interchange or large development proposal. The consultant also described the impact analysis process. Eleven members of the public provided verbal comments. The public comment period for the DEIR closed on July 23, 2014. Public and agency comments received on the DEIR are posted on the project web site under "DEIR Public Comments Received":

http://www.edcgov.us/Government/LongRangePlanning/LandUse/TGPA-ZOU_Main.aspx".

On August 4, 2014 the Planning Commission kicked off a public hearing (which consisted of a series of seven meetings) to discuss the TGPA-ZOU project and to receive public comment. The Agricultural Commission also held a public hearing on August 13, 2014. All of the meetings were held in the Board chambers and were video-recorded and live web streamed on the County's website. Each of the meetings focused on different topics/components of the project. As the meetings progressed, the Planning Commission "flagged" items that they determined needed further discussion and/or revisions. Staff prepared a summary of the "Flagged Items" which was posted on the project website:

http://www.edcgov.us/Government/LongRangePlanning/LandUse/TGPA-ZOU_Main.aspx

The Planning Commission closed this public hearing on August 27, 2014 after the seventh meeting. The Planning Commission generally supported the TGPA-ZOU project, but recommended a number of modifications and identified some issues that needed further discussion (as identified on the "Flagged Items" list). Staff is currently working to prepare a summary of the public hearing and the Planning Commission's tentative recommendations expressed to date. Staff is also working on preparing the Final EIR, which will include responses to comments received on the DEIR. Once the Final EIR is complete, staff will return to the Planning Commission (likely in October) to review their tentative recommendations and the FEIR, make any necessary additions or revisions to their recommendation, and then finalize their recommendation and forward it to the Board of Supervisors.

b. Sign Ordinance Update

On July 22, 2014, staff returned to the Board to present a revised working draft of the Sign Ordinance and request adoption of a Resolution of Intention (ROI) to Amend the Sign Ordinance, authorizing staff to proceed with environmental review as required by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The ROI included proposed revisions to General Plan Objectives 2.7.1 and Policy 2.7.1.2 for consistency with the Board's identified goals for the project to protect the County's visual character and scenic landscapes/viewsheds in designated scenic corridors, and for conformity with state and federal law. Additional revisions to the draft Ordinance have been made since July in response to public and agency comments. A revised Public Review Draft Sign Ordinance will be released along with the Notice of Preparation (NOP) of an EIR for a 30-day public review and comment period (anticipated to be released in September 2014). The final draft Sign Ordinance and final EIR is anticipated to be presented to the Board for approval in February 2015.

2. Biological Policy Review

On July 28, 2014, staff presented the Board with a summary of the historical background and current status of key General Plan biological policies and related Implementation Measures. Broad policy options were also presented with an analysis of the pros and cons of each option and examples of how the potential updated policies would be implemented for several hypothetical development scenarios. Staff plans to return to Board in September 2014 for further discussion regarding a preferred policy option. A new project web page was launched on July 17, 2014, and is located on the Long Range Planning home page under Work In Progress / Environmental: <http://www.edcgov.us/Government/LongRangePlanning/Environmental/BioPolicyUpdate.aspx>

3. Community Visioning and Implementation Plans/Community Region Boundary Lines

In 2009, the Community and Economic Development Advisory Committee (CEDAC previously EDAC) presented a draft framework to the Board for initiating General Plan Policy 2.4.1.2 - Community I.D. In conjunction with CEDAC and members of the community, the draft framework has been updated into a comprehensive draft Community Planning Guide (Guide). On June 24, 2014, staff provided the Board with an update on the process to date and presented the draft Guide. Staff also provided a brief update on the Community Region analysis requested by the Board on February 24, 2014, particularly as it relates to the Community Planning Guide.

In August 2014, AIM Consulting and LRP staff met with members of each community for feedback on the draft Guide. Meetings were held in Cameron Park, Camino, Cool, Diamond Springs, El Dorado Hills, Fairplay, Lotus, Pollock Pines, and Shingle Springs. Staff anticipates returning to the Board in October 2014 to present a summary of comments received on the draft Guide and a final draft Guide for authorization to implement. The draft Guide is posted on the Long Range Planning web page under "What's New": <http://www.edcgov.us/LongRangePlanning/>.

Staff anticipates returning to the Board in October or November to determine the Board's objectives for amending the Community Region Boundaries and identify which specific Community Region Boundary amendments to analyze (i.e. exactly where the Board may want to consider expanding, contracting or eliminating the lines).

4. Meyers Area Plan Update

County staff hosted a public workshop on June 26, 2014 to receive and incorporate final public comments on the draft Meyers Area Plan (MAP). Once the draft MAP is complete, staff will send it along with a Draft California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Initial Study/Negative Declaration and Draft Tahoe Regional Planning Agency (TRPA) Initial Environmental Checklist to County Counsel for review. After County Counsel review, staff will send the CEQA package to the State Clearinghouse for a 30 day public review. Staff will then bring the MAP to the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors for approval prior to taking it back to TRPA for adoption.

5. Green Valley Road Traffic Analysis

Kittelson & Associates, Inc. (KAI) has completed the draft technical memorandums for the Green Valley Road Corridor Study. A public meeting is scheduled on September 17, 2014 at Pleasant Grove Middle School at 6:00 p.m. to present the draft information to all interested parties. A final presentation to the Board of Supervisors is anticipated at the end of October 2014.

Additional information is available on the Long Range Planning website:

http://www.edcgov.us/Government/LongRangePlanning/Transportation/Green_Valley_Road_Corridor_Analysis.aspx

6. 5-Year Major Capital Improvement Program and Traffic Impact Mitigation Fee Updates

The 5-Year Major Capital Improvement Program (CIP) and Traffic Impact Mitigation (TIM) Fee update processes is on-going. A consultant team has been selected and staff anticipates presenting a contract for Board approval on September 30, 2014.

A new web page for the CIP has been launched; this web page includes information on the Major 5-Year CIP update:

<http://www.edcgov.us/Government/LongRangePlanning/Transportation/CapitalImprovementProgram.aspx>

A new web page for the TIM Fee Program was launched in June 2014:

<http://www.edcgov.us/Government/LongRangePlanning/Transportation/TrafficImpactMitigationFeeProgram.aspx>

7. Missouri Flat Circulation and Financing Plan (MC&FP) Phase II

A consultant team has been selected and staff is in the contract negotiations phase. The proposals also include additional tasks to develop infrastructure financing options to promote activity and expansion within the County's three existing business parks. Staff anticipates presenting a contract for Board approval in October 2014.

A new project web page for the MC&FP was launched in June 2014:

<http://www.edcgov.us/Government/LongRangePlanning/Transportation/MissouriFlatMCandFP.aspx>

8. 2014 Minor CIP Update

CDA staff returned to the Board on June 10, 2014 to obtain final direction from the Board to proceed with production of the 2014 CIP Book. The Board directed staff to use \$2,500,000 per year for the next 3 years from Local Funds - Tribe along with \$500,000 from the County's General Fund toward roadway maintenance.

On June 24, 2014 the Board adopted the 2014 CIP Book. On August 5, 2015, Transportation Division staff provided a Board workshop presenting options for the additional \$2,500,000 for the Road Maintenance Program. Staff will amend the CIP Book per Board direction, and return in September 2014 with a CIP addenda update.

9. National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)

Staff is participating in the Region-wide Permit discussions with the Region 5 Water Quality Control Board staff and will keep the Board updated on the progress. Staff is completing Year 1 deliverables for the West Slope Phase II permit.

10. General Plan Implementation 2013 Annual Progress Report

Staff presented the 2013 General Plan Implementation Annual Progress Report (APR) to the Board on June 24, 2014 and to the Planning Commission on July 10, 2014. The APR was submitted to the State Clearinghouse on July 16, 2014. The APR is required to be completed by October 1st of each year.

11. Long Range Planning Website

New project web pages were launched in June for the TIM Fee Program and Missouri Flat MC&FP Phase II, and a new project web page was launched in July for the General Plan Biological Policy Review. These new pages can be found on the Long Range Planning home page under Work in Progress / Transportation / Land Use: www.edcgov.us/LongRangePlanning/.

Current web pages are being updated regularly. Other project web pages are being developed and will be launched when they are completed.