

**Attachment 6A  
Long Range Planning Update  
June 17, 2014**

**1. Land Use Policy Programmatic Update (LUPPU)**

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

The Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) was released on Monday, March 24th for a 120-day public review period, which is 75 days more than the 45-day minimum review period required by CEQA. The comment submittal deadline is on Wednesday, July 23rd. The TGPA-ZOU dedicated project website has been completely updated to ensure public access to the DEIR and other documents including an on-line comment form. The direct link to the TGPA-ZOU web page is:

[http://www.edcgov.us/Government/LongRangePlanning/LandUse/TGPA-ZOU\\_Main.aspx](http://www.edcgov.us/Government/LongRangePlanning/LandUse/TGPA-ZOU_Main.aspx)

The County Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on the DEIR at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, July 10, 2014 in the Building C Hearing Room at 2850 Fairlane Court, Placerville.

**b. Sign Ordinance Update**

Staff has been working with Pacific Municipal Consultants (PMC) on a subsequent draft of the Sign Ordinance Update (Public Draft dated July 8, 2013). The revised draft will address the direction of the Board given to staff on December 17, 2013. The revisions were more extensive than originally anticipated and required additional review by the Consultants and Counsel. The final draft Ordinance and Resolution of Intention to Amend the Sign Ordinance will be presented to the Board on July 22, 2014.

**2. Biological Policy Review**

Dudek started the General Plan policy review process by undertaking a comprehensive review of the history and status of the County's biological policies. Based on this review, Dudek is drafting two memos – a Background Memo and a Policy Options Memo. The Background Memo will review the historical background and current status of key General Plan biological policies and related Implementation Measures. It will document previous planning efforts, constraints, and issues that led to the current effort to review the policies. The Policy Options Memo will outline broad policy approaches available to County moving forward. Staff is working with Dudek to finalize the memos and present them in a workshop format at the Board's July 28, 2014 special meeting.

The July 28 workshop will include discussions about the history and status of the County biological policies and broad options for how to move forward, including an analysis of the pros and cons of each option, public involvement opportunities, rough timelines for completing the process, and examples of how policies would be implemented for several hypothetical development scenarios. Staff will seek general direction from the Board on the policy options. Per the Board's direction, staff will return with a draft Resolution of Intent outlining the Board's direction and/or to provide more information as requested.

**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 for initiating General Plan Policy 2.4.1.2 - Community I.D. to the Board. At that time, the County had also initiated a process to comprehensively update the Zoning Ordinance and had begun the first 5-year review of the General Plan. In conjunction with CEDAC and members of the community, the draft framework has been updated into a

comprehensive draft Community Planning Guide (Guide). CEDAC reviewed the draft Guide on May 22, 2014. On June 24, 2014, staff will provide the Board with an update on the process to date and present the draft Guide. Staff will also provide 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.

Next steps include AIM Consulting returning to the members of each community for additional input on the draft Guide. CEDAC will work with staff to gather and complete final revisions to the draft Guide. Staff anticipates presenting a final draft Guide to the Board in September 2014 for adoption and authorization to implement.

#### **4. Meyers Area Plan Update**

Staff has modified the Draft Meyers Area Plan (MAP) based upon public and agency feedback. The MAP is posted on the County's website and further public comment is being taken. County staff will host a public workshop on June 26, 2014 to receive and incorporate final public comments on the draft MAP. Based upon that feedback, staff will produce a final MAP and will send that document 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) conducted field visits and collected data at the end of April/beginning of May. New road segment and intersection turning movement traffic counts were collected during the first full week of May. KAI will be reviewing and analyzing the newly collected data and the historic data in June 2014. A draft technical memorandum of their findings is scheduled for completion by August 2014. A public meeting will be scheduled to present the draft information in mid to late August 2014.

Additional information is available on the Long Range Planning website:

[http://www.edcgov.us/Government/LongRangePlanning/Transportation/Green\\_Valley\\_Road\\_Corridor\\_Analysis.aspx](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 have been initiated. On April 8, 2014, the Board of Supervisors identified a 20-year growth forecast as a starting point for the major CIP and TIM Fee updates. A request for proposal (RFP) for this project was issued on Friday, May 16, 2014 to begin the process of selecting consultant(s) that will assist staff in conducting required analysis for the major CIP and TIM Fee updates. Staff anticipates presenting a contract for Board approval in early August 2014.

Long Range Planning staff has established a website for the CIP which contains information relating to the process for the Major 5-Year CIP update at:

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

A new project web page for the TIM Fee Program will be launched by the end of June on the Long Range Planning home page at: [www.edcgov.us/LongRangePlanning/](http://www.edcgov.us/LongRangePlanning/)

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

On April 8, 2014, the Board of Supervisors identified a 20-year growth forecast as a starting point

for the major CIP and TIM Fee updates; this action also allowed MC&FP Phase II to move forward. A request for proposal will be issued on June 20, 2014 to begin the process of selecting consultant(s) that will assist staff in conducting required analysis to establish Phase II to the MC&FP and 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 September 2014.

A new project web page for the MC&FP will be launched in June on the Long Range Planning home page at: [www.edcgov.us/LongRangePlanning/](http://www.edcgov.us/LongRangePlanning/)

## **8. 2014 Minor CIP Update**

General Plan Policy TC-Xb and Implementation Measures TC-A and TC-B require the annual update of the CIP specifying expenditures for roadway improvements within the next 10 years. A major update is also specified by the General Plan Policies and Implementation Measures every five years in line with the major review of the General Plan specifying expenditures for roadway improvements within the next 20 years. Community Development Agency staff (Long Range Planning, Transportation Division and Administration and Finance Division) provided a workshop on March 18th to discuss CIP priorities.

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 towards roadway maintenance.

Staff will return to the Board on June 24, 2014 for final adoption of the 2014 CIP Book.

## **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**

The General Plan Implementation Annual Progress Report (APR) for the 2013 calendar year has been completed and will be presented to the Board on June 24, 2014. An APR is required to be prepared and submitted to the County Board of Supervisors, Office of Planning and Research (OPR), and the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) that includes the following information: 1) status of the General Plan and progress in its implementation; 2) County's progress in meeting its share of the regional housing needs and local efforts to remove governmental constraints to the maintenance, improvement and development of housing; and 3) degree to which the County's approved General Plan complies with the State General Plan Guidelines and the date of the last revision to the General Plan. The APR is required to be completed by October 1st of each year. However, in February 2014, the Board directed staff to conduct an analysis of Community Region Boundary lines. Since the APR's land inventory is a key step in the Community Region Boundary line analysis, staff prioritized the APR and completed it nearly four months early.

## **11. Staffing**

LRP recently filled its last two remaining vacant funded positions:

- Amy Phillips joined LRP on June 2nd as an Assistant in Civil Engineering to assist Brendan Ferry with the various Phase II NPDES Permit requirements on the West Slope. Amy was born, raised and currently resides in El Dorado County. Amy comes to the County from

Ahtna Government Services Corporation, a consulting firm in West Sacramento. At Ahtna, Amy managed a contract with PG&E to oversee their construction projects resulting in NPDES compliance. Prior to that she worked for Youngdahl Consulting Group, Inc. performing site assessments and environmental monitoring. Amy will split her time with the County between providing assistance to residents, County staff and others in the field and coordinating NPDES-related work between County departments and divisions.

- Katie Jackson joined LRP on May 22nd as a Transportation Planner and will be working closely with Natalie Porter and Claudia Wade on the Travel Demand Model, traffic studies and other transportation planning efforts. Katie was born, raised and currently resides in El Dorado County. She attended Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo where she earned a degree in civil engineering. Upon graduation, she worked for Fehr & Peers in Roseville for five years. She recently passed the Professional Engineers exam to become a Registered Civil Engineer.

## 12. Long Range Planning Website

Two new project web pages were recently launched:

- The Green Valley Road Corridor Analysis project page was launched on May 5, 2014:  
[http://www.edcgov.us/Government/LongRangePlanning/Transportation/Green\\_Valley\\_Road\\_Corridor\\_Analysis.aspx](http://www.edcgov.us/Government/LongRangePlanning/Transportation/Green_Valley_Road_Corridor_Analysis.aspx)
- The Capital Improvement Program page was launched on June 5, 2014:  
<http://www.edcgov.us/Government/LongRangePlanning/Transportation/CapitalImprovementProgram.aspx>

These new pages can be found on the Long Range Planning home page under Work In Progress / Transportation: [www.edcgov.us/LongRangePlanning/](http://www.edcgov.us/LongRangePlanning/).

The TIM Fee Program and MC&FP pages are anticipated to be launched by June 30, 2014. Other project web pages are being developed and will be launched when they are completed.