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Dear Board of Supervisors,

I do not believe that diversion of \$40,000 from the Transit Occupancy Tax fund from Veteran's programs and promotion of EDCo Tourism is NOT appropriate to campaign for a proposed property tax assessment Election in March 2020 of \$80 per parcel in the Lake Tahoe area for improving snow removal operations with new equipment.

I don't think you should use this \$40,000 to fund and therefore ACTIVELY CAMPAIGN for a Taxation Assessment for new snow removal equipment in the Lake Tahoe Basin.

Don't get me wrong, the need is definitely there as the fleet of Plow-Trucks, Graders and Rotary Plows ('blowers') is really old and subject to breakdowns and are in need of replacement. Replacement parts are not available for some of the equipment.

>> The need for this new equipment is not the issue!

The ISSUE is why should Public Taxpayer Dollars be (questionably) be used to campaign for a County Government proposal? Per the EDCo Taxpayer's Association letter suggests that it is ILLEGAL to do so. Additionally, their argument includes the point that if it is so needed and justified, the people in the Tahoe Basin Unincorporated area (outside City of South Lake Tahoe) should be convinced of the need and welcome the proposed \$80/year assessment (Notice the amount is conveniently not mentioned in the "Staff Report"!!).

The Department of Transportation is proposing this and hoping for a 4/5th's Vote by the Board of Supervisors. Please do not allow this to happen.

Thank you,

Ken Greenwood

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