

**Attachment 4A
Long Range Planning Update
March 4, 2014**

1. Land Use Policy Programmatic Update (LUPPU)

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

The Admin Draft Environmental Impact Report (ADEIR) has been reviewed by staff and comments provided to the consultant (ICF Jones & Stokes, Inc.) The draft EIR (DEIR) is anticipated to be released in mid-March for a 120-day public review period. The TGPA-ZOU dedicated project web page is being updated to ensure public access to the DEIR and other documents including on-line comment form, public comments received during the Notice of Preparation periods, background information and other related items are available concurrently with the release of the DEIR.

b. Sign Ordinance Update

Staff is 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 issues presented at the Board meeting on December 17, 2013, primarily, the splitting out of regulatory and proprietary into separate chapters. Additionally, rural sign regulations will also be addressed separately from signs in more urbanized Community Regions. The final draft Ordinance is anticipated to be completed by late April or early May 2014 for the Board's review.

2. Biological Policy Contract

The recent court decision overturning the Oak Woodland Management Plan (OWMP) has prompted the County to address, at a minimum, the implementation of certain oak tree policies in the General Plan. These policies are interrelated to several other biological policies. After reviewing options presented on September 24, 2012, the Board determined that all the related biological policies should be reviewed and considered for revisions to ensure that the goals and objectives of the General Plan can be achieved.

The Board's September 24, 2012 direction included two statements: 1) prepare a Resolution of Intention (ROI) to amend the identified policies, and 2) direct the Chief Administrative Office (CAO) to hire a consultant to prepare the necessary policy analysis and Environmental Impact Report (EIR). Staff will return March 4th with a recommendation for a consultant and scope of work for Board consideration.

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

Staff is currently working to prepare a framework for the Board's consideration that would guide communities in their efforts to prepare CVIPs. This framework will include a process and set guidelines for the development of these types of plans that require adoption by the Board. Amendments to consultant contracts are underway to complete the task. Staff anticipates presenting a draft framework to the Board in April 2014.

4. Meyers Area Plan Update

The Proposed Final Meyers Area Plan, a Draft California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Initial Study/Negative Declaration, and a Draft Tahoe Regional Planning Agency (TRPA) Initial Environmental Checklist have been sent to County Counsel for review. After County Counsel review, and one last round of public and Meyers Community Advisory Council input, staff will send the CEQA package to the State Clearinghouse for a 30 day public review. A public meeting is scheduled during that review period. Staff will then bring the Meyers Area Plan before the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors for approval prior to taking it back to TRPA for adoption.

5. Travel Demand Model

The Draft Travel Demand Model (TDM) is complete. Staff began to release the TDM data (2010 Baseline and Draft 2035 Land Use Forecast) the first week in June 2013 to traffic consultants and others upon their request. Prior to release of data, the County is requiring the signature of a disclaimer acknowledging that the model data is draft at this time.

Staff has continued its coordination with Caltrans and Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) in the development and finalization of the TDM documentation. The County has received letter of concurrency from SACOG stating that the El Dorado County TDM was completed and consistent with industry standard of practice. Caltrans also provided a letter of concurrency stating that the model does follow industry standard of practice; however, Caltrans would like the County to pursue further detail by following Regional Transportation Planning guidelines and include Vehicle Miles Traveled as part of the validation/calibration process.

6. Green Valley Road Traffic Analysis

Staff returned to the board on December 17, 2013, with a final draft scope, cost, and schedule for Board approval. The Board approved Alternative 3, which included all requests for analysis of existing conditions in the Green Valley Road Corridor, with the direction that traffic counts should include Monday and Friday counts. The contract with Kittelson & Associates, Inc. (KAI) will be returned to the Board for approval, and KAI can begin the analysis with the execution of the contract. Staff anticipates returning on March 11, 2014 in order for the Board to approve the contract with KAI. The notice to proceed will follow.

The City of Folsom did receive approval for the grant to widen Green Valley Road from East Natoma to Sophia Parkway at the SACOG Board meeting in December.

The City of Folsom anticipates the following schedule:

- Environmental/preliminary engineering - through 2014
- Design/ROW/Utility - through 2015
- Construction - through 2016/2017

7. 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. In order to proceed with the CIP and TIM Fee update processes, the Board must select a 20-year growth scenario. The 20-year growth forecast is also required to proceed with projects such as the Diamond Springs Parkway and Missouri Flat Area Master Circulation and Funding Plan (MC&FP) Phase II.

Three (3) separate scenarios were presented at a February 24, 2014 Board meeting. The scenarios are described below:

- 1% historical trend with historical distribution as directed by the Board
- Existing development + all approved development entitlements + Regional Housing Needs Assessment
- 1% historical trend with 75/25 distribution consistent with General Plan goals

Board directed staff to come back to the Board on March 11, 2014 with additional information on all three scenarios.

Upon selection of a growth forecast, staff can then begin the updates to the TIM and CIP programs. The Board directed staff to begin the Request for Proposal process for the major TIM Fee and CIP Update processes as well as for the MC&FP Phase II.

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 5 years in line with the major review of the General Plan specifying expenditures for roadway improvements within the next 20 years.

Long Range Planning Division had anticipated moving forward with the major update of the CIP in the 2013/2014 Fiscal year, however, because the updated 20-year forecast through 2035 has not been adopted, the Division is moving forward with the minor revision. Staff will be coming to the Board on March 18th with a workshop to discuss Board priorities for the minor CIP update.

Once the Board adopts the amended 20-year forecast, staff can begin the major CIP update.

9. National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)

Staff is working on various NPDES Permit requirements both in Lake Tahoe and on the West Slope. Staff will report back to the Board with more specific NPDES items as they become due.

10. Long Range Planning Website

Staff is continuing to work on updating and/or creating new landing pages for each active project in the Long Range Planning work program. The active projects are listed under Work In Progress. The direct link to the LRP home page is: www.edcgov.us/LongRangePlanning/