SR 89/Fanny Bridge Sponsors, Partners, and Plan Implementation

Project Partners

TTD, TRPA, FHWA-CFLHD, Caltrans, Placer County, TCPUD, Lahontan RWQCB, USFS/LTBMU, California State Parks, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Bureau of Reclamation, Tahoe-Truckee Sanitation Agency

• Implementing Planning Policies/Objectives of:
  • Lake Tahoe Regional Plan
  • Lake Tahoe Regional Transportation Plan
  • Environmental Improvement Program
  • Tahoe City Community Plan
  • NLTRA Tourism Master Plan
Purposes of the SR 89/Fanny Bridge Community Revitalization Project

- **Safety and Operations.** Improve the safety and operations of the SR 89/28 Wye intersection and Fanny Bridge area in Tahoe City for present and future automobile travel demand, pedestrian activity, and trail use. Improve emergency access to and from the West Shore. Address the long-term structural integrity of the 86-year-old Fanny Bridge through its rehabilitation or replacement.

- **Multimodal Mobility.** Improve multimodal mobility in the Fanny Bridge area through the creation of “Complete Street” elements to accommodate all travel modes, including transit, pedestrian, and bicycle, while also improving personal auto access.

- **Economic Revitalization.** Contribute to the economic revitalization of the local Tahoe City community by enhancing auto and non-auto business access and safety, including delivery of goods and services and the creation of community gathering places.
Draft EIR/EIS/EA

Lead Agencies

Tahoe Transportation District – CEQA EIR

Tahoe Regional Planning Agency – TRPA EIS

FHWA-Central Federal Lands Highway Division – NEPA EA
Planning History

- **1992** TRPA Regional Transportation-Air Quality Plan
- **1994** Community Plan adopted
- **1997** Environmental Improvement Program adopted
- **2002** Caltrans Project Study Report approved
- **2003** Technical studies initiated
- **2009** PA/ED Phase and update/completion of technical analysis
- **2011** EIR/EIS/EA Notice of Preparation
- **2014** Draft EIR/EIS/EA released for public review
A PLAN FOR THE
SIXTY-FOUR ACRES
TAHOE CITY, CALIFORNIA

USDA FOREST SERVICE
LAKE TAHOE BASIN MANAGEMENT UNIT

South Lake Tahoe, California
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Project Alternatives With Realignment

- Alternative 1: New Alignment – Existing SR 89 Open to Local Traffic
- Alternative 2: New Alignment – Close Existing SR 89 to Vehicle Traffic at Fanny Bridge
- Alternative 3: New Alignment – Existing SR 89 Becomes a Cul-de-Sac South of Fanny Bridge
- Alternative 4: New Alignment, No Roundabout – Existing SR 89 Becomes a Cul-de-Sac South of Fanny Bridge
Alternative 1

New Alignment – Local Traffic on Existing SR 89
Alternative 2
New Alignment – Close Existing SR 89 at Fanny Bridge
Complete-Street Concepts
Alternatives 1 and 2
Complete-Street Concepts
Alternative 1

Tahoe City Vision Statement:
"Tahoe City, at the headwaters of the Truckee River, is the hub of the Lake Tahoe region and a vibrant commercial center, where visitors and residents are stewards of Tahoe's precious natural environment and rich cultural heritage. Tahoe City businesses thrive as residents live and recreate in close proximity to their jobs."
Alternative 3
New Alignment – Cul-de-Sac on Existing SR 89
Alternative 4
New Alignment – No Roundabouts
Complete-Street Concepts
Alternatives 3 and 4
Other Modifications with Alternatives 1 through 4

- Modifications to the Caltrans maintenance yard primary ingress/egress
- Replace 40-year old Truckee River Interceptor with new infrastructure
- Realignment of bike paths along the existing SR 89 and near the Caltrans maintenance yard to improve safety
- Retention of existing trail connectivity within the Project Area
Project Alternatives Without a Realignment

- Alternative 5: No Action/No Project
- Alternative 6: Rehabilitate or Replace and Widen Existing Bridge, Modify Lane Configuration at Existing Wye Intersection
- Alternative 6a: Rehabilitate or Replace and Widen Existing Bridge, Install Roundabout at Existing Wye Intersection
Alternative 5
No Action/No Project
Alternative 6
Rehab/Replace Bridge – Signalized Intersection
Alternative 6a
Rehab/Replace Bridge – Roundabout
Complete-Street Concepts
Alternative 6a
Navigating the EIR/EIS/EA

- EIR/EIS/EA covers the full scope of issues
- Organization of each environmental issue section
  - Regulatory Setting
  - Environmental Setting
  - Environmental Effects of the Project Alternatives
  - Avoidance, Minimization, and/or Mitigation Measures
- Cumulative, growth-inducing, and socioeconomic impacts
- Comprehensive summary information
Environmental Topics Addressed

- Agricultural and Forest Resources
- Air Quality
- Biological Resources (Vegetation, Wildlife, and Fisheries)
- Cultural Resources
- Geology, Soils, Land Capability, and Coverage
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Climate Change
- Hydrology and Water Quality
- Hazards, Hazardous Materials, and Risk of Upset
- Land Use and Planning
- Noise
- Population, Employment, and Housing
- Public Services and Utilities
- Recreation
- Scenic Resources
- Traffic and Transportation
EIR/EIS/EA
Public Review Process

• Draft EIR/EIS/EA
  – Public review: December 19, 2014 through February 17, 2015
  – Comments on Draft EIR/EIS/EA: at today’s meeting or in writing by end of the public review period

• Final Environmental Document
  – A Final Environmental Document will be prepared that will include:
    • Written responses to comments on Draft EIR/EIS/EA raising environmental issues
    • Text edits based on public comments or staff-initiated clarifications

• EIR certification by TTD Board, EIS certification by TRPA Governing Board, and Finding of No Significant Impact adoption by FHWA CFLHD (expected March 2015)
What Does It Take To Deliver a Public Project?

To Date:
- More than five years of project process
- Over 40 Project Delivery Team meetings
- Over $3 million in project costs
- Over 30 public workshops and meetings
- Community Review Committee
- Ten public hearings and Board meetings
- Extraordinary collaborative relationships (legacy of EIP implementation)
- $33 million for construction costs
Public Hearings Schedule

Public Hearings

January 23, 2015 – TTD Board of Directors (Public Hearing on Draft EIR/EIS/EA)
January 28, 2015 – TRPA Governing Board (Public Hearing on Draft EIR/EIS/EA)
Dates to be determined – Project Approval Hearings by TTD and TRPA

For more information visit www.TahoeTransportation.org
Contact the TTD at 775.589.5500

Comments on the Draft EIR/EIS/EA may be sent to: bjudge@trpa.org
EIR/EIS/EA and Project Timeline

- December 2014  Draft EIR/EIS/EA released for public review
- January 2015  Public Hearings on Draft EIR/EIS/EA
- March 2015  Final Environmental Document considered

If a preferred alternative is selected and approved, then next steps:

- September 2015  Project design completed
- January 2016  Bid awarded for project construction
- May 2016  Begin project construction
Things to Consider

(Project Design/Project Approval Considerations)

What to Consider for Project Preferred Alternative and Approval:

✓ Threshold Compliance and Attainment
✓ EIP Improvement
✓ SCS Compliance and GHG
✓ Land Use and Local Area Plan Objectives
✓ Transportation System Improvements for Bike/Pedestrian, Transit, and Road/Highway Networks
✓ Economic Vitality
Proposed Action Benefits

- Safety (RPU, Fed and State Trans, AQ)
  - Two points of ingress and egress for the west shore
  - Fewer bike/pedestrian conflicts with vehicles
- Congestion Improvement (VMT, AQ, GHG)
  - Relieve to west shore queuing
- Complete Street Implementation (VMT, AQ, GHG)
  - Old alignment becomes local for transit and commercial end of Tahoe City enhancing historic and pedestrian environment
- Water Quality Improvement (WQ)
  - TMDL BMP Improvements
  - Replace Sewer Main Collector
- Infrastructure Upgrade
  - Two new long lived bridges out of the flood plain, aesthetically designed to fit community
- Bike Trail along the River (Rec)
- Catalyst for Economic Development at North End of Tahoe City (RPU G&P)
- Operational Improvement for Traffic, Transit, and Goods Movement (RPU G&P)
New Truckee River Bridge
New Truckee River Bridge
Roundabout at Wye with Alt 1
Thank you for your participation!