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TO: Open Space and Regional Park Commission

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SUBJECT: Presentation by Truckee Meadows Trails with an update on the Truckee

Meadows Trails Action Plan.

SUMMARY

Truckee Meadows Trails is a community-led initiative designed to improve the range of opportunities for residents and visitors by identifying and establishing non-motorized routes for greater trail connectivity in the Truckee Meadows region. The initiative started in 2017 with a coalition of land managers, government agencies, non-profits, and private businesses that all came together to create the TMT Plan and Report. The plan outlines a vision of a healthy Truckee Meadows community connected by trails and provides a framework for completing future projects.

BACKGROUND

On December 3, 2019, Mark Kimbrough with Truckee Meadows Trails provided a presentation to the Open Space and Regional Park Commission about the Truckee Meadows Trails Plan and Report. The presentation covered the vision, collaboration needed, trail inventory and data collection, trail user surveys, and the plan. At that time, the desire was to have a working group formalized and a trails coordinator hired.

A Trail Program Coordinator was hired through generous funding from Economic Development of Western Nevada (EDAWN). With that position, TMT was able to secure a planning grant from the National Parks Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance Program to work on the TMT Action Plan.

The TMT Action Plan is in draft form and being fine-tuned. The desire is to have the TMT Plan and Report as well as the Action Plan approved and adopted by all agencies.