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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY/NOTICE OF INTENT to adopt an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration and TRPA Initial Environmental Checklist/ Mitigated Finding of No Significant Effect for the

2020 Linking Tahoe: Regional Transportation Plan & Sustainable Communities Strategy

In accordance with Section 15072 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, this notice is to inform the general public that the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency/Tahoe Metropolitan Planning Organization has prepared a joint environmental document consisting of Initial Study, proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration and Initial Environmental Checklist/Finding of No Significant Impact (IS/MND and IEC/FONSE) for the 2020 Linking Tahoe: Regional Transportation Plan & Sustainable Communities Strategy.

PROJECT TITLE: 2020 Linking Tahoe: Regional Transportation Plan & Sustainable Communities

Strategy (RTP/SCS)

PROJECT LOCATION: The Plan Area is in the Lake Tahoe Metropolitan Planning Area Boundary and

includes areas of El Dorado and Placer counties, and the city of South Lake Tahoe in California, and Washoe and Douglas counties and Carson City in

Nevada.

COMMENT PERIOD: September 10, 2020 to October 25, 2020

LEAD AGENCY: Tahoe Regional Planning Agency (TRPA)/Tahoe Metropolitan Planning

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The 2020 RTP/SCS is the transportation element of the Lake Tahoe Regional

Plan. Every four years, TRPA prepares a regional transportation plan that outlines the overall vision for developing, operating, and maintaining the Lake Tahoe Region transportation system. This 2020 RTP/SCS builds from the 2017 RTP/SCS to offer creative strategies that offset transportation impacts, including micro-mobility strategies such as e-bikes and e-scooters and new or enhanced inter-regional transit service. The 2020 RTP/SCS goals carry over from the 2017 RTP/SCS and are organized around addressing the local community and Tahoe visitor's transportation needs while they meet state and federal planning and

reporting requirements. In addition, the 2020 RTP/SCS transportation

improvements project list is an update of the 2017 RTP/SCS project list. As such it removes projects completed since 2017, modifies some projects that remain

on the list, and adds approximately 45 new minor projects to the list.

FINDINGS:

TRPA has prepared an Initial Study-Mitigated Negative Declaration/Mitigated Finding of No Significant Effect for the 2020 RTP/SCS that tiers off of the 2017 RTP/SCS Initial Study-Mitigated Negative Declaration/Mitigated Finding of No Significant Effect and 2012 RTP/SCS Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement. TRPA has determined that the 2020 RTP/SCS will not have a significant effect on the agricument.

RTP/SCS will not have a significant effect on the environment. TRPA will therefore consider adoption of the Initial Study-Mitigated Negative Declaration/Mitigated Finding of No Significant Effect.

PUBLIC REIVEW:

The public review period for the Initial Study-Mitigated Negative Declaration/Mitigated Finding of No Significant Effect will commence on September 10, 2020 and will end on October 25, 2020 for interested individuals and public agencies to submit written comments on the document. Any written comments should be sent to the attention of Rebecca Cremeen and must be received at P.O. Box 5310, Stateline Nevada, 89449 by 5:00 PM on October 25, 2020. Written comments may also be submitted via email to rcremeen@trpa.org. The documents can be viewed on the TRPA website

https://www.trpa.org/document/projects-plans/