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TRPA SCHEDULES MAY 22 SHOREZONE WORKSHOP

Lake Tahoe, Stateline, NV – A public workshop has been scheduled for May 22 at which interested parties will have an opportunity to “test drive” shorezone ordinances being considered for adoption by the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency Governing Board next month.

The day-long workshop is an opportunity for project proponents, property owners and other interested parties to review test cases against the proposed new code of ordinances to determine whether the new code is usable and achieves the results intended in the Preferred Alternative.

The Preferred Alternative is the program description that has been derived from alternatives proposed in the final Environmental Impact Statement that was released in late 2006, and which has been developed in concert with California and Nevada state agencies.

Participants are encouraged to identify proposed scenarios in the shorezone to focus on as test case exercises for use in the workshop. These proposals may be submitted to Judy Nikkel at jnikkel@trpa.org prior to the workshop. Not all proposals will be addressed, but the workshop will review a representative sampling of those received.

The workshop will take place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at TRPA headquarters, 128 Market Street, Stateline, NV, 89448.

Those planning to participate are encouraged to review the Preferred Alternative and accompanying code before that date. Those documents are available on the TRPA web site, at www.trpa.org.

Some 20 years in the making and long a source of controversy, the shorezone regulations guide development and conservation along the 72-mile shore of Lake Tahoe,

where the water meets the land. The regulations spell out policies for staged development of piers and buoys and for striking an appropriate balance between private and public access as well as private property rights and environmental/scenic concerns.

The current proposal was unveiled after months of talks between the California and Nevada state agencies, TRPA, and other stakeholders working to identify areas of compromise between divergent parties about the appropriate rate and extent of development that should be allowed.

The workshop will provide an opportunity to look at the fine details of that compromise plan.

The Tahoe Regional Planning Agency cooperatively leads the effort to preserve, restore, and enhance the unique natural and human environment of the Lake Tahoe Region now and in the future. For additional information, call Dennis Oliver at 775-589-5235 or email doliver@trpa.org .

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