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INPUT SOUGHT ON TAHOE'S LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION GOALS

Lake Tahoe, Stateline, NV – Two roundtable discussions have been scheduled to give the public an opportunity to weigh in on a new regional transportation plan being developed by the Tahoe Metropolitan Planning Organization (TMPO) for the Tahoe Basin. The plan will shape funding and planning decisions for the area over the next 23 years.

The first public discussion will be held 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesday, March 11, at the North Tahoe Conference Center in Kings Beach. The second is scheduled for 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday, March 12, at the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency office in Stateline.

The discussions are part of a broader effort by Tahoe Basin transportation officials to integrate community input into the transportation planning process, building upon that already received through the Pathway 2007 regional planning process over the past two years.

Public transportation funding priorities and capital improvements to the Tahoe Basin's transportation system that concentrate on pedestrian-transit oriented development will be among topics open for discussion.

Current marquee capital projects include improvements to U.S. Highway 50 through South Lake Tahoe and State Route 28 through the Kings Beach commercial corridor. These projects evolved out of earlier regional planning workshops.

A new regional transportation plan is scheduled for adoption this summer. Policies outlined in the plan will be incorporated into the updated Regional Plan for the Tahoe Basin scheduled for adoption next year.

Additionally, an online transportation survey is being conducted by the TMPO. To complete the survey, go to <http://www.trpa.org/transportation/survey.html> on the Web. For additional information, contact Dennis Oliver at 775-589-5235 or doliver@trpa.org.