



BIKE PROJECT RECEIVES \$12,850 FROM TAHOE FUND

First Phase of Bikeway Connecting Stateline and Roundhill Completed

Dec. 21, 2012 (*Stateline, Nev.*) – Tahoe Transportation District received \$12,850 from the Tahoe Fund, Dec. 3, toward the Stateline to Stateline Bikeway Project. The Tahoe Fund is a non-profit organization whose mission is to become a major source of private funding for environmental projects around the Lake Tahoe Basin with an emphasis on recreation, conservation and education.

The first one mile section of the 3.2 mile bike path that will connect Round Hill Pines Beach with Stateline along the South Shore of Lake Tahoe has been completed, spinning the spokes toward the next phase of an eventual system of trails to connect all of Lake Tahoe.

Tahoe Transportation District has five concurrent projects throughout the Basin and completed the first phase of the initial demonstration Bikeway Project on time and under budget while not requiring the removal of a single tree. As part of Nevada's Stateline to Stateline Bikeway Project that started earlier this year, it will ultimately span 30-plus miles from South to North shores.

The next phase from Elks Point Road to Round Hill Pines Resort is scheduled during the 2013 construction season with \$2.5 million in secured funding.

The project benefits provide safer biking and walking opportunities to complement the lifestyle of one of America's most beautiful destinations; and positive environmental impact through: improved air quality and lake clarity from decreased auto emissions.

The TTD and its supporting partners developed the Nevada Stateline to Stateline Bikeway to address the demand for more pedestrian and recreation bicycle trails that provide connections to neighborhoods, employment centers, schools, and recreation facilities, while reducing auto emissions and traffic congestion. Participants include the Carson City, Douglas County, Washoe Tribe, Incline Village General Improvement District, Nevada Division of State Parks, Nevada Division of State Lands, Tahoe Metropolitan Planning Organization, Tahoe Regional Planning Agency, Truckee North Tahoe Transportation management Association, South Shore Transportation Management Association, USDA Forest Service and Washoe County. In addition to the Nevada Stateline to Stateline Bikeway Project, TTD is also working with a variety of other agencies to complete additional segments on the California side of the lake such as the Meeks Bay to Sugar Pine Point Bike Trail.

“This is another project that provides visitors and locals safe and convenient access to the Lake and public lands, which is the main reason we’re here – to see and experience America’s favorite lake,” Carl Hasty, District Manager, Tahoe Transportation District.

Lake-Wide Transportation Project Updates

The Tahoe Transportation District is currently guiding multiple projects providing lake wide connectivity throughout the Tahoe Basin to improve safety, mobility, and lake clarity while reducing traffic congestion.

The East Shore Express, a pilot Park and Ride bus service from Incline Village to Sand Harbor Beach State Recreation Area generated 12,155 rides between June 15 and Labor Day. TTD also partnered with the United States Forest Service, Nevada Division of State Parks, Nevada Department of Transportation, Nevada Highway Patrol and Washoe County School District on the project.

The Incline Gateway, the Tahoe Basin’s first roundabout at Mount Rose Highway where State Route 28 meets SR 431, was officially dedicated October 17, 2012. The public/private partnership has included cooperative efforts with the Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT), Tahoe Regional Planning Agency, Washoe County, Incline Village General Improvement District, Q&D Construction, and the Incline Gateway Committee, the public art organization that commissioned local artist June Towill Brown to create bronze replicas of native animals.

For details on Tahoe Transportation District and its current projects, visit www.TahoeTransportation.org or call (775) 589-5500.

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Tahoe Transportation District

The Tahoe Transportation District (TTD) is responsible for the implementation and management of transportation projects and programs in the Tahoe Basin. The organization has facilitated many area safety infrastructure projects, including bicycle paths, roadway improvements, pedestrian thoroughfares, water quality and water shed improvements and public transit solutions.