

**MEETING MINUTES  
(TRANSCRIPT SUMMARY)**

**TRUCKEE RIVER FUND ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MEETING OF OCTOBER 7, 2011**

The following meeting minutes is a summary of the certified transcript for the Truckee River Fund Advisory Committee meeting held at 8:30 a.m., Friday, October 7, 2011.

**Those Present:** Committee Members: Janet Phillips, Chairperson; Tom Swan, Vice Chairman; Michael Cameron, Jerry Purdy, Bill Bradley\*, Mike Brisbin, John Mosley\*, Susan Donaldson, Becky Stock; Also: Tracy Turner, Community Foundation; Ron Penrose, TMWA; and Debbie Leonard, Esq., McDonald Carano Wilson LLP; Members of the Public: Jeff Tissier, TMWA; Michael Sherak, Jeanie Knowles and Jon Bozanich, Washoe County Sheriff's Office; Christi Cakiroglu, Keep Truckee Meadows Beautiful; Kimberly Boyd, Tahoe Resource Conservation District; Bret Tyler, Washoe-Storey Conservation District; Greg Bortolin and Dr. John A. Gillies, Desert Research Institute; Aaron Peskin, Great Basin Land & Water; Jonathan Mueller, Sierra Nevada Journeys; John Svahn, Truckee Donner Land Trust; and Dave Mandrella, The Nature Conservancy.

\* Committee Member arrived after roll call.

\*\* Committee Member left meeting before adjournment

**Agenda Item #1: Roll Call:** Roll call was taken. A quorum was noted.

**Agenda Item #2: Approval of the agenda:** The agenda was unanimously approved.

**Agenda Item #3: Public comment:** There was no public comment.

**Agenda Item #4: Fund balance report:** Tracy stated that the amount available to grant is \$1,235,703.53, the Community Foundation received a disbursement of \$1,026,000 for the Truckee River Fund from TMWA in July, and all of the obligated funds are in reserve and not counted into the balance available to grant.

**Agenda Item #5: Approve the June 3, June 17, and June 27, 2011 summary meeting minutes:** The Meeting Minutes (Transcript Summary) for June 3, June 17 and June 27, 2011 were unanimously approved.

**Agenda Item #6: Review grant proposals to Truckee River Fund and select projects to be recommended for funding:** The following grant proposals were considered at length and approved or declined as follows:

#88, The Nature Conservancy, Preventing Aquatic Invasive Species at Independence Lake, \$28,290.00, was approved as written, in a 4-3 vote. Michael Cameron abstained from the vote. David Mandrella provided input and answered questions from the group.

#89, Keep Truckee Meadows Beautiful, Truckee River Cleanup 2012, \$44,950.00, was unanimously approved as written. Christi Cakiroglu provided input and answered questions.

#90, Nevada Land Conservancy, Weed Treatments & Revegetation: Truckee River & Tributaries, \$127,500.00, was unanimously approved as written. Becky Stock provided input and answered questions from the group but abstained from the vote.

#91, Washoe County Sheriff's Office, Community Work Program - Pollution & Weed Control, \$71,859.99, was unanimously approved, subject to coordination with TMWA on the work to include problem areas just upstream of the water plant intakes. Michael Sherak, Jeanie Knowles and Jon Bozanich provided input, answered questions and discussed the proposal with the group.

#92, Desert Research Institute, Cloud Seeding Project for Tahoe and Truckee Basins for WY2012, \$154,815, was approved as written, with a reporting requirement on their efforts to get other funding sources, in a 5-4 vote. Greg Bortolin and Dr. Jack Gillies provided input, answered questions and discussed the proposal with the group.

#93, Truckee Donner Land Trust, Webber Lake and Lacey Meadows Acquisition and Restoration, \$100,000.00, was unanimously declined, with an invitation to come back for the restoration piece later, with the plans and permits. There was concern among the group about funding property acquisition prior to restoration, which would be a new precedent. John Svahn provided input and answered questions.

#94, Board of Regents, NSHE, BMP Installation and Maintenance Field Training and Classes, \$19,375.00, was unanimously approved as written. Sue Donaldson provided input and answered questions but abstained from the vote.

#95, Tahoe Resource Conservation District, Truckee Regional Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Program, \$267,627.00, was unanimously approved as written. Ron Penrose provided opening comments and stated that TMWA supports the proposal. Kim Boyd provided input, answered questions and discussed the proposal with the group.

#96, Sierra Nevada Journeys, Watershed Education Initiative, \$10,010.00, was unanimously approved as written. Jerry Purdy abstained from the vote. Jonathan Mueller provided input and answered questions.

#97, Washoe-Storey Conservation District, Weed Abatement Program: Education, Training, Removal, & Maintenance, \$50,000.00, was unanimously declined, with the invitation to

repropose next cycle. Bret Tyler provided input, answered questions and discussed the proposal with the group.

#98, Great Basin Land & Water, Truckee River Instream Flow & Water Quality Enhancement, \$260,000.00, unanimous vote was to defer action until there's further input from legal counsel and TMWA staff. John Mosley abstained from the vote. Aaron Peskin provided input, answered questions and discussed the proposal with the group.

**Agenda Item #7: Committee & staff comments:** Michael indicated an interest to have a policy discussion at the next meeting about using money for real property acquisition.

**Agenda Item #8: Public comment:** There was no public comment.

**Agenda Item #9: Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 11:24 a.m.

Approved by the Truckee River Fund Advisory Committee in session on December 2, 2011.