

## MEETING MINUTES (TRANSCRIPT SUMMARY)

### TRUCKEE RIVER FUND ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 23, 2018

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, February 23, 2018.

**Those Present:** Committee Members: Janet Phillips, Chairman; Susan Lynn, Vice Chairman; Michael Cameron; Bill Bradley; Mike Brisbin (speaker phone); Candice Elder (speaker phone); Don Mahin; and Ron Penrose; Also: Lauren Renda, Community Foundation of Western Nevada; John Enloe and Sonia Folsom, both with TMWA; and Debbie Leonard, Esq., McDonald Carano Wilson, LLP; Members of the Public: Nathan Daniel and Geanette Orton, both with Truckee Meadows Park Foundation; Kurt Kuenicki and Nora Koffman, both with Friends of Nevada Wilderness; Christi Cakiroglu and Lynda S. Nelson (speaker phone), both with One Truckee River; Kim Rigdon, NDEP; Jill Sutherland, Resource Concepts; Eaton Dunkelberger and Sean Hill, both with Sierra Nevada Journeys; Alexis A. Ollar and Nikki Riley, both with Mountain Area Preservation; Mandy Williams, SWCA Environmental Consultants; Randy Westmoreland, U.S. Forest Service; Lisa Wallace and Matt Freitas, both with Truckee River Watershed Council; Bryan Davey, Sierra County; Quentin Youngblood, Tahoe National Forest; Evan Ritzinger, National Forest Foundation; Birgit Henson, NDEP; Jim Heier and Kevin Flom, both with Resource Action Programs; and John Svahn (speaker phone), Truckee Donner Land Trust.

\* 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: Public comment:** There was no public comment.

**Agenda Item #3: Approval of the agenda (for possible action):** The agenda was unanimously approved.

**Agenda Item #4: Approve the December summary meeting minutes (for possible action):** The Meeting Minutes (Transcript Summary) for December 1, 2017 was unanimously approved.

**Agenda Item #5: Fund balance report:** Lauren stated that we have \$501,765.88 available to spend. The next installment is anticipated to be \$800,000 and to take place in the August time frame. The next funding cycle will be in August.

**Agenda Item #6: Review grant proposals to Truckee River Fund and select projects to be recommended for funding (for possible action):** Janet indicated that this is the largest pool of good projects that she's seen but that the total amount of them exceeds the amount available to spend, requested that the proposers be thinking about ways they can cut back today, such as postponing activities until the next funding cycle. The following grant proposals were considered at length and voted on by the group and approved, rejected/declined, or action taken as follows:

#195, Sierra Nevada Journeys, Watershed Education Initiative, \$83,376 requested, was unanimously approved for the reduced amount of \$46,376, which reflected the removal of the Resource Action Programs (RAP) portion, together with the coordination regarding that. Sean Hill and Eaton Dunkelberger were present and provided input and answered questions. Jim Heier and Kevin Flom were present and also provided input regarding RAP.

#196, Friends of Nevada Wilderness, Mount Rose Noxious Weed Monitoring and Treatment #6, \$23,724 requested, was unanimously approved for the slightly reduced amount of \$23,500. The proposers suggestion the reduction to help with the amount available to fund today. Nora Koffman and Kurt Kuenicki were present and provided input and answered questions.

#197, Truckee Meadows Parks Foundation, Doggie Ambassador Project, \$15,214, was unanimously approved for the full amount. Nathan Daniel and Geanette Orton were present and provided input and answered questions.

#198, Board of Regents, NSHE, obo the Desert Research Institute, Determining the role of signal crayfish in the Truckee River foodweb, \$12,010, was unanimously rejected. Their proposal was incomplete in that there are rules that overhead cannot be used as match, also that there cannot be more than 25% overhead. No one was present to provide input or answer questions, but the proposer is invited to come back at the next funding cycle.

#199, Truckee Donner Land Trust, Cold Stream Meadow Road Decommissioning and Restoration Project, \$65,000, was unanimously approved for the full amount. John Svahn appeared by speaker phone and provided input and answered questions. Randy Westmoreland was present and provided additional input. Lisa Wallace clarified that this Cold Stream project is in Upper Little Truckee and is different than the Coldstream project at Donner Lake.

#200, Truckee River Watershed Council, Truckee Meadows Restoration Project - Phase 2 Construction, \$30,000, was unanimously approved for the full amount. Matt Freitas and Lisa Wallace were present and provided input and answered questions.

#201, National Forest Foundation, Perazzo Meadows Watershed Restoration & Erosion Control Project, \$189,099.40 requested, was unanimously approved for the reduced amount of \$148,000, which came about because the proposer offered to reduce their request, indicating that the project is being phased and there's a component that they can defer to a later date. Evan Ritzinger, Bryan Davey, Randy Westmoreland and Quentin Youngblood were present and provided input and answered questions.

#202, Mountain Area Preservation, Trout Creek Pocket Park Stewardship & Service Learning Program, \$8,000, was unanimously rejected. The thought was that the local governments of California should be funding this project instead of our local ratepayers' money being used to help students in California.

#203, One Truckee River (Through Nevada Land Trust, OTR Partner and Fiscal Agent), One Truckee River: Watershed Management and Source Protection Plan & OTR Partnership Support, \$273,580 requested, was unanimously approved for the reduced amount of \$173,580. John Enloe explained that \$100,000 of this proposal effort is planned to be funded by the Western Regional Water Commission instead. Christi Cakiroglu and Lynda Nelson (speaker phone) were present and provided input and answered questions.

**Agenda Item #7: Discuss tracking of match funds to ensure the requirement is met (for possible action):** Lauren stated that there was one instance where a grantee submitted their final report and didn't quite make up to the 25% match. The group discussed possible ways to better track the match. Debbie Leonard provided input. No action was taken.

**Agenda Item #8: Discuss and select date for field trip (for possible action):** The group discussed taking a field trip and possible places to go, taking the field trip right after the next meeting on June 1st, which would start at the earlier time of 8:00 a.m. Michael and Janet will organize an itinerary for the field trip. Janet also mentioned having a slide show regarding the Highland Canal as an agenda item for the next meeting. No action was taken.

**Agenda Item #9: Committee and staff comments:** Lauren presented a summary list of project updates needed, and that she can provide documents, old emails, etc., to anyone needing those things for their updates. There were comments regarding when the amount awarded is reduced and the need for a revised scope of work for the new amount and match, an updated proposed budget, and that we won't disburse funds until those things are provided.

Ron commented that Janet does a great job and it is appreciated. Other committee members agreed.

**Agenda Item #10: Next meeting: June 1, 2018 (for possible action):** The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, June 1st, at 8:00 a.m., and will be followed by the field trip. No action was taken.

**Agenda Item #11: Public comment (limited to no more than three minutes per speaker):** No members of the public were present, so no public comment was given.

**Agenda Item #12: Adjournment (for possible action):** The meeting adjourned at 10:52 a.m. No action was taken.