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RE: Quarterly Progress and Expenditure Report – 1st Quarter, FY 2023/24

Dear Ms. Johal,

The El Dorado County Transportation Commission's (EDCTC) quarterly report summarizes the following funding sources and work elements (WE):

- Rural Planning Assistance: WE 100, WE 110, WE 200, and WE 400
- 2021/22 SHA grant: WE 265
- 2022/23 SHA grant: WE 265SHA
- 2023/24 FTA 5304 grant: WE 263 – Awarded October 2023 will be on the 2nd Quarter report
- 2023/24 RPA Grant: WE 282– Awarded October 2023 will be on the 2nd Quarter report

The status of each OWP work element identified below is as of September 30, 2023. The requests for reimbursement will be submitted with this quarterly report,

Rural Planning Assistance

Work Element 100: Administration and Implementation of the Overall Work Program

The objective of this work element is to provide administration and implementation of the Overall Work Program (OWP). The Draft 2023/24 was presented at the March 2, 2023 meeting and the Final 2023/24 OWP was approved at the May 4, 2023 Commission meeting. Amendment 1 was approved at the October 2023 EDCTC meeting which included the grant funding carry-over balances, a new FTA 5304 Sustainable Communities grant (WE 263) and a RPA grant (WE282).

Work Element 110: Intergovernmental Coordination

This work element is to coordinate the efforts of the Commission with Tribal, local, regional and state agencies. EDCTC staff actively participates on a variety of committees, task forces, and associations in order to keep the Commission abreast of pertinent Tribal, local, regional, state, and federal efforts and activities. Some, but not all, of recent intergovernmental coordination activities include the following:

- Rural Counties Task Force tracking the implementation of CAPTI, CSIS, and the Rural VMT Induced Demand study
- CTC coordination on the ATP guidelines workshops
- Caltrans coordination on operations of US 50 in and through Camino/Apple Hill
- El Dorado County/City of Placerville coordination on the development of the Federal grant applications for the SMART and PROTECT programs to support the Trip to Green Permanent Congestion Management and Resiliency Strategy
- SACOG coordination on AB 350, the MTP/SCS
- SACOG coordination on the Funding Round and Race Equity Inclusion working groups

- El Dorado Transit coordination on the SB 125 TIRCP/ZETCP funding allocation and project/plan submittal and the El Dorado County Short- and Long-Range Transit Plan update
- Coordination with the El Dorado County Office of Wildfire Preparedness and Resiliency on the Greater Placerville Wildfire Preparedness Plan

Work Element 200: Regional Transportation Plan

The objective of this work element is to undertake the planning work necessary to develop and implement the Regional Transportation Plan and Environmental Document. EDCTC staff updated the 2020-2040 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). The final documents are available online on the EDCTC web page here: <https://www.edctc.org/regional-transportation-planning>. In Q1, EDCTC began work on the planning and outreach strategies for development of the RTP 2025-2045. EDCTC has established the stakeholder advisory committee matrix and developed a work plan and timeline for the RTP update. In Q2, the EDCTC Board will ratify the advisory committee matrix and discuss the timeline and preparation strategy. EDCTC staff is also reviewing and commenting on the 2023 Draft RTP guidelines released by the CTC.

Work Element 400: Public Education and Outreach

The objective of this work element is to support EDCTC's project delivery, planning, and consensus-building programs by providing information on transportation and related issues and by seeking input on these issues from interested parties. EDCTC actively maintains the agency website and we continually update information on our agency's social media. EDCTC staff members provide various educational and information sharing opportunities throughout the year, including presentations at planning commissions, councils, and board meetings, as well as presentations to local residential and advocacy groups. Our website is ADA compliant at <https://www.edctc.org/>. In July, Sacramento Area Council of Governments Blueprint Workshop was shared via social media and on EDCTC's website. In August, the Fire Season Community Meeting presented by the El Dorado County Sheriff's Office was shared via social media and posted on EDCTC's website as well as the Placerville Drive Pedestrian Connectivity Project Open House announcement. In August through September, staff collaborated with EDCTC's website hosting company to develop a new website for the Trip to Green project, which is still in process. The following announcements were posted to both social media and EDCTC's website in the month of September: El Dorado Transit's Public Workshop in support of their Short-term Transit Plan Update, and the El Dorado County Safety Element Update Virtual Public Workshop. Also in September, the slides for the Diamond Springs Community Meeting in support of the Greater Placerville Wildfire Evacuation Study were posted on the Project Page on EDCTC's website.

Caltrans Road Sustainable Communities Planning Grant – State Highway Account

Work Element 265: Greater Placerville Wildfire Evacuation Preparedness, Community Safety, and Resiliency Plan

Start date: 10/01/21
End date: 02/29/24

EDCTC Project Manager: Dan Bolster

Progress during 1st quarter (Jul Aug Sep) FY 2023/24:

Task 01: Project Administration

EDCTC submitted the 4th quarter FY 2021/2022 quarterly report, 1st quarter FY 2022/2023 quarterly report, 2nd quarter FY 2022/2023 quarterly report, 3rd quarter FY 2022/23 quarterly report, and 4th quarter FY 2022/23 quarterly report.

Percent complete: 65%

Task 02: Consultant Procurement

EDCTC released the RFP on November 15, 2021. The EDCTC Board awarded the consulting contract to DKS on March 3, 2022. EDCTC and DKS executed the consulting contract on March 3, 2022.

Percent complete: 100%

Task 1: Existing Conditions Report

EDCTC and the consultant formulated a data collection plan and coordination, conducted a high-risk community mapping methodology review and existing data source review. EDCTC and consultant began wildfire mapping, collected GIS data, including road and parcel shape files, from project partners, began vulnerable population analysis, created draft transportation system congestion maps, worked on developing the draft existing conditions memo framework. Also coordinated with El Dorado County Office of Wildfire Preparedness and Resilience and the El Dorado and Georgetown Resource Conservation District on how their wildfire mitigation efforts could inform the existing conditions report and held monthly coordination meetings in October, November, and December 2022. As research for the Existing Conditions Report met with the following agencies and individuals: Met with PG&E in November to review their Wildfire Safety Program and Infrastructure Resiliency Efforts; Met with Caltrans in December to review their US 50 Fuel Reduction Program; Met with El Dorado County in November to discuss the update the General Plan Safety Element; Met with communications consultant Alan Thompson in November to learn about his experience with the Camp Fire and potential cell tower infrastructure vulnerabilities. The administrative draft of the project area's wildfire risk assessment for the Existing Conditions Report was 95% completed by the end of December 2022. The administrative draft of the Existing Conditions Report was completed and reviewed in March. The Draft Existing Conditions Report was released to project partners in early April and comments were received by the end of April. The final draft Existing Conditions Report was presented to the EDCTC Board at the June 1, 2023, EDCTC Board meeting. No revisions were requested at the meeting and the Existing Conditions Report was completed and the final document was posted to the project website.

Percent complete: 100%

Task 2: Dynamic Conditions Analysis

Consultant finalized the outline for the Dynamic Conditions Analysis and continued work on assessing dynamic conditions based on work done in Task 1.

Percent complete: 85%

Task 3: Public Outreach

EDCTC and the consultant met with El Dorado County Office of Wildfire Preparedness and Resilience and the El Dorado and Georgetown Resource Conservation District in January, February, and March 2023 to discuss public outreach strategy and project coordination. EDCTC staff attended the Placerville Fire Safe Council's Fire Wise event on March 18, 2023, to provide information about the Wildfire Evacuation Preparedness project, including distributing the project Fact Sheet and project area map. EDCTC staff attended the Diamond Springs Fire Safe Council's *Fire Safe Fair* on Saturday, April 29, 2023. The first public workshop was held in the El Dorado County Planning Commission Meeting Chamber on Wednesday, May 17, 2023.

Percent complete: 30%

Task 4: Advisory Committee Meetings

Consultant and EDCTC staff held Project Development Team (PDT) meeting #1 on April 11, 2023, to review the Draft Existing Conditions Report with the PDT.

Percent complete: 30%

Task 5: Modeling and Simulations

Consultant and EDCTC held a series of meetings to discuss model methodology and evacuation model development. On September 7, 2023, EDCTC staff and the consultant team met in person with

representatives of Sheriff's OES, Cal Fire, El Dorado County Fire, El Dorado County DOT, and the City of Placerville Engineering Department for "Virtual Incident Command Workshop". The purpose of the workshop was to review the four wildfire scenarios to be used to model wildfire evacuation scenarios in the project area and then have a Cal Fire Incident Commander and Sheriff's OES representative coordinate on running a virtual evacuation for each scenario to confirm what roads would be used for evacuation in each scenario as well as the timing of evacuation orders and warnings for each scenario, and the area the order and warning would cover so the consulting team could understand how that would inform the traffic volumes to be modeled during the course of the evacuation scenario.
Percent complete: 40%

Task 7: Agency Coordination

EDCTC staff and consultant met with representatives of Cal Fire, Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services, El Dorado County Fire, El Dorado County Office of Wildfire Preparedness and Resiliency, and the El Dorado and Georgetown Resource Conservation District to discuss agency coordination. During the 1st Quarter of FY 2023-24, the EDCTC Project Manager participated in bi-weekly meetings of the Office of Wildfire Preparedness and Resilience (OWPR) Public Outreach Advisory Committee Meeting that includes representatives of Cal Fire, Sheriff's OES, OWPR, US Forest Service, and County Fire Safe Councils. The purpose of the meetings is to coordinate public outreach efforts being conducted by the various agencies and to support each other in those efforts.

Percent complete: 50%

Issues or delays: None.

Overall % Work Complete: 60%

FY 2022/23 State Highway Account Grant Amount \$75,000

Work Element 265SHA: Greater Placerville Wildfire Evacuation Preparedness, Community Safety, and Resiliency Plan Public Outreach

Start date: 02/13/23

EDCTC Project Manager: Dan Bolster

End date: 02/29/24

Progress during 1st quarter (Jul Aug Sep) FY 2023/24:

Task 3.2: Pop-Up Community Events

Consultant and EDCTC staff attended the El Dorado County Fair, June 15, 16, and 17, 2023, and attended the City of Placerville Farmer's Market on June 16, 2023.

Percent complete: 20%

Task 8.1: Development of a Program Brand

Consultant created a graphic (logo) for the Wildfire Evacuation Plan that will be used in all marketing materials and reports.

Percent complete: 100%

Task 8.2: Collateral Materials (Fact Sheet and Handout)

Consultant developed a Fact Sheet for the March 18, 2023, Placerville Fire Safe Council's Fire Wise Event and future public outreach events. Consultant produced bilingual handouts for the El Dorado County Fair and Farmer's Markets. Consultant provided bilingual flyer for the October 26, 2023, Camino Community meeting.

Percent complete: 60%

Task 8.5: Development of Social Media Campaign

Consultant utilized social media, including Facebook posts, to drive attendance at the May 17, 2023, Public Workshop #1 and the Diamond Springs meeting on September 12, 2023.

Percent complete: 30%

Task 8.6: Presentations to Local Agencies

Consultant and EDCTC staff participated in the June 12, 2023, El Dorado County Office of Wildfire Preparedness and Resiliency's Public Outreach Advisory Committee meeting and presented information about the project's public outreach strategy and opportunities to collaborate and coordinate the project's public outreach efforts with the agencies attending the meeting, including Cal Fire, El Dorado County Fire, El Dorado County Fire Safe Council, and the US Forest Service. EDCTC staff presented project updates at the OWPR Public Outreach bi-weekly meetings during the 1st quarter of FY 2023/24.

Percent complete: 30%

Task 8.7: Presentations to Local Community Groups

Consultant and EDCTC staff made two presentations to local community groups, one on Monday, September 11, 2023, to the Apple Hills Growers Association and another on Tuesday, September 12, 2023, to the Diamond Springs Community.

Percent complete: 30%

Issues or delays: None.

Overall % Work Complete: 45%

Please call me at (530) 642-5260 if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,



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Executive Director