

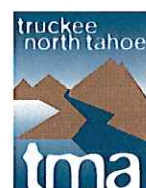


Status Report and Guide for the Future

Creating a World Class Bicycle and Multi-Purpose Trail Community

North Lake Tahoe-Truckee

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IN THE SPRING OF 2010, THE LEAGUE OF AMERICAN CYCLISTS reported that their review committee “was impressed with the potential and growing commitment to make North Lake Tahoe/Truckee a great place for bicyclists.”

The Honorable Mention awarded in the League’s report was another step forward in pursuit of the region’s broader goal to become a world class cycling destination, complete with an integrated network of multi-use paths and trails, pedestrian facilities, and multiple mobility options developed in a manner consistent with our healthy outdoor lifestyle and unique environmental values.

Among the report’s recommendations: “Fully implement the comprehensive bike plan and continue to close gaps in the cycling network. Plans to connect the off-road and urban trails are best seen through the lens of the mix of transportation and recreation. Think of every home as a trailhead. Set an ambitious, attainable target to increase the percentage of trips made by bike.”

The North Lake Tahoe/Truckee “Resort Triangle” is located at the intersection of multiple jurisdictions - eastern Placer County, eastern Nevada County, the Town of Truckee, and the Tahoe Regional Planning and Tahoe Metropolitan Planning Organization (TRPA/TMPO) within the Lake Tahoe Basin. This includes the Tahoe portion of Washoe County, Nevada. This Status Report and Guide for the Future marks the first collaborative effort among transportation planners in the region to document our existing bicycle and multi-use trail network and identify the key gaps that must be addressed if we are to successfully attain the goals described above.

PARTNERS IN PRODUCING THIS REPORT

This Status Report and Guide for the Future is a compilation of the existing bicycle plans that have been prepared and adopted by the three regional transportation planning agencies (RTPAs) whose jurisdiction includes a portion of the “Resort Triangle.”



Truckee River Legacy Trail

Placer County Transportation Planning Agency

The Placer County Transportation Planning Agency (PCTPA) was created in 1975 (California Government Code, Title 7.91, Section 67910) to serve as the regional transportation planning agency for Placer County, exclusive of the Lake Tahoe Basin. (29532.1(c)). PCTPA is the forum for making decisions about the regional transportation system in Placer County. These decisions are reflected in PCTPA’s planning and programming of the area’s federal and state transportation funds.

PCTPA coordinates with a variety of agencies and organizations regarding planning activities, transportation

programs and specific projects. Representative agencies and organizations include the California Transportation Commission, Caltrans, Sacramento Association of Governments, El Dorado County Transportation Commission, Nevada County Transportation Commission, and the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency.

Each of the cities/towns within Placer County (cities of Auburn, Colfax, Lincoln, Rocklin and Roseville, and the Town of Loomis), as well as the County of Placer, are members of PCTPA. As members, each jurisdiction has direct input into PCTPA’s decision-making process, both on a staff and board level. The PCTPA Board of Directors is comprised of nine elected officials, with three members appointed by the Placer County Board of Supervisors and one member from each of the cities/towns.

PCTPA adopted the 1988 Placer County Bikeways Master Plan. It provided a ten-year policy guide for locations and types of bikeways, including financial analysis, for the western slope of Placer County. PCTPA supplemented this plan with an updated Regional Bikeway Plan, which was adopted by the Placer County Board of Supervisors in 2002. The overall goal of the Regional Bikeway Plan promotes safe, convenient and enjoyable cycling via a comprehensive system of bikeways that link communities. Objectives and policies support this overall goal. It includes a list of existing/proposed bikeways, including the Squaw Valley and Martis Valley areas, and connections to Truckee and North Lake Tahoe.

Nevada County Transportation Commission

The Nevada County Transportation Planning Commission (NCTC) is a regional transportation planning agency created pursuant to Title 7.88 of the California Government Code, Section 67920. As the RTPA for Nevada County, the NCTC coordinates transportation planning for Grass Valley, Nevada City, Nevada County and the Town of Truckee. The mission of the Nevada County Transportation Commission is to plan, communicate and coordinate with the citizens and decision-

makers of Grass Valley, Nevada City, Nevada County, the Town of Truckee and with Caltrans to identify transportation needs, propose solutions and assist in implementing projects to create a balanced transportation system, while protecting the rural qualities and historic character of Nevada County.

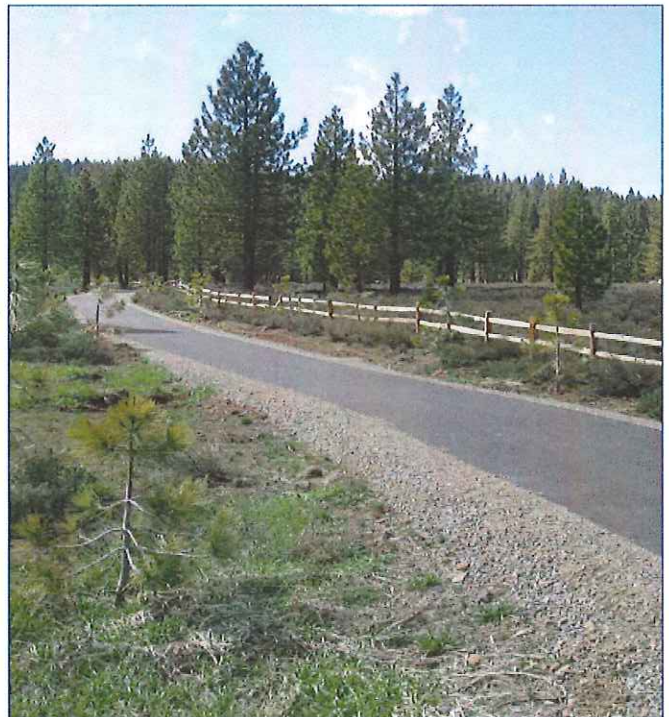
As part of the regional planning process, NCTC prepared a county-wide bicycle master plan intended to guide efforts to improve bicycling conditions at the local level in the various communities of Nevada County. The plan focuses on developing a complete county-wide network of bikeways, as well as programs, and specific policies and enhancements. The planning effort included public outreach and the integration of the existing goals, objectives and policies of the local general plans, the Nevada County Regional Transportation Plan, and previous bicycle planning efforts. The plan was prepared in compliance with the requirements of California Streets and Highways Code Section 891.2 and makes the jurisdictions of Nevada County, Grass Valley, Nevada City and the Town of Truckee eligible for Bicycle Transportation Account grant funding. The Nevada County Bicycle Master Plan was adopted by NCTC on July 18, 2007. NCTC updates the county-wide bicycle master plan every five years.

Town of Truckee

Prior to the preparation of the county-wide bicycle master plan by NCTC, the Town of Truckee, working with community stakeholders, prepared and adopted the Truckee Trails and Bikeways Plan in the spring of 2007. This bicycle master plan is the authoritative planning document regarding existing and proposed bicycle and trail facilities, as well as bicycle policies and programs within the Town of Truckee. This plan addresses the requirements of California Street and Highways Code Section 891.2 and therefore, the proposed bicycle projects contained within the plan are eligible for Bicycle Transportation Account grant funding. The Town of Truckee reviews and updates their local bicycle master plan as needed.

Tahoe Regional Planning Agency

The Tahoe Regional Planning Compact (Public Law 96-551) which established the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency (TRPA) called for the development of a Regional Transportation Plan. This Regional Transportation Plan provides for “a regional system of transportation, including, but not limited to, parkways, highways, transportation facilities, transit routes, waterways, navigation facilities, public transportation facilities, bicycle facilities and appurtenant terminals and facilities for the movement of people and goods within the region.” Because improving conditions for bicyclists and pedestrians is such an active focus area of local jurisdictions and the public, the TRPA and local partners developed a stand-alone Lake Tahoe Region Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan (BPP). This plan was also adopted by the TRPA in its role as the federally designated Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Tahoe Region (TMPO), allowing priority bicycle and pedestrian projects listed in the plan to be eligible for federal transportation funding.



Alder Drive Trail

The TRPA and TMPO update the Lake Tahoe Region Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan every four years, working through a technical advisory committee of local partners, and following the guidelines for public participation set forth in the TMPO's adopted Public Participation Plan.

Additional Contributors

The following entities have contributed technical information and/or support for the preparation of this report. Tahoe City Public Utility District, North Lake Tahoe Resort Association, Northstar Community Services District, Truckee North Tahoe Transportation Management Association.

Next Steps

Individual projects identified in this report as “proposed” will continue to move through their appropriate planning processes. The partners and contributors to this report have agreed to meet and identify next steps in the process of pursuing the region's broader goal to become a world class cycling destination, complete with an integrated network of multi-use paths, trails, pedestrian facilities, and multiple mobility options developed in a manner consistent with our healthy outdoor lifestyle and unique environmental values.

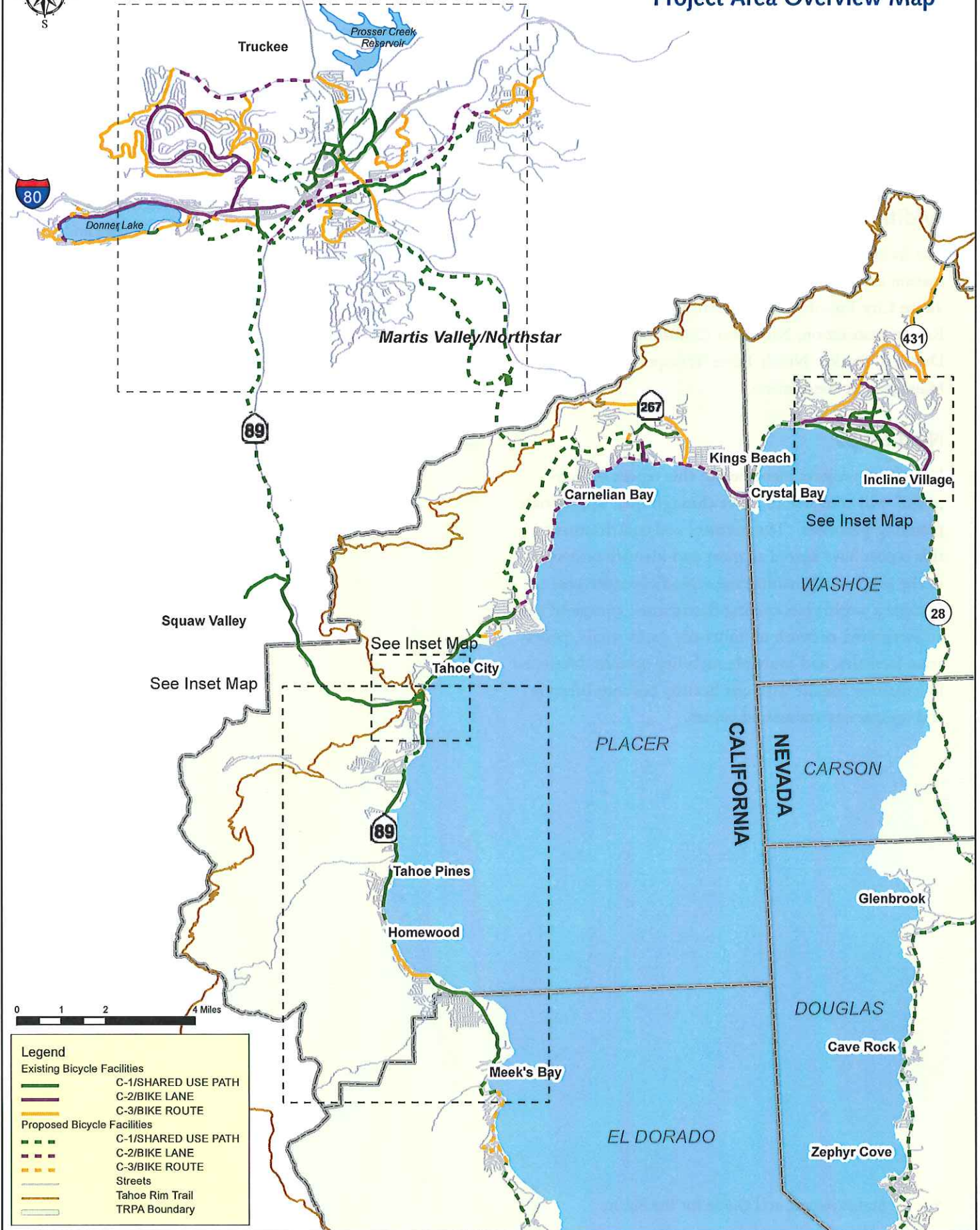
Maps & Projects

The following maps illustrate existing and proposed Class 1/Shared Use Paths in the “Resort Triangle” vicinity. Shared facilities are separated from motor vehicle routes and are paved for walking, hiking, and biking. Existing/proposed Class 2/Bike Lanes and Class 3/Bike Routes, which connect (or will connect) to the Class 1/Shared Use Paths are also shown. The existing and proposed projects lists focus on Class 1/Shared Use Paths. Please note that segments of the 165-mile long Tahoe Rim Trail are illustrated and listed because of the trail's regional significance. There are also a number of existing and proposed recreational trails in more remote areas of the “Resort Triangle,” which are mostly unpaved, multi-use facilities. These trails are not mapped or listed.



See Inset Map

Project Area Overview Map



Legend

Existing Bicycle Facilities

- C-1/SHARED USE PATH
- C-2/BIKE LANE
- C-3/BIKE ROUTE

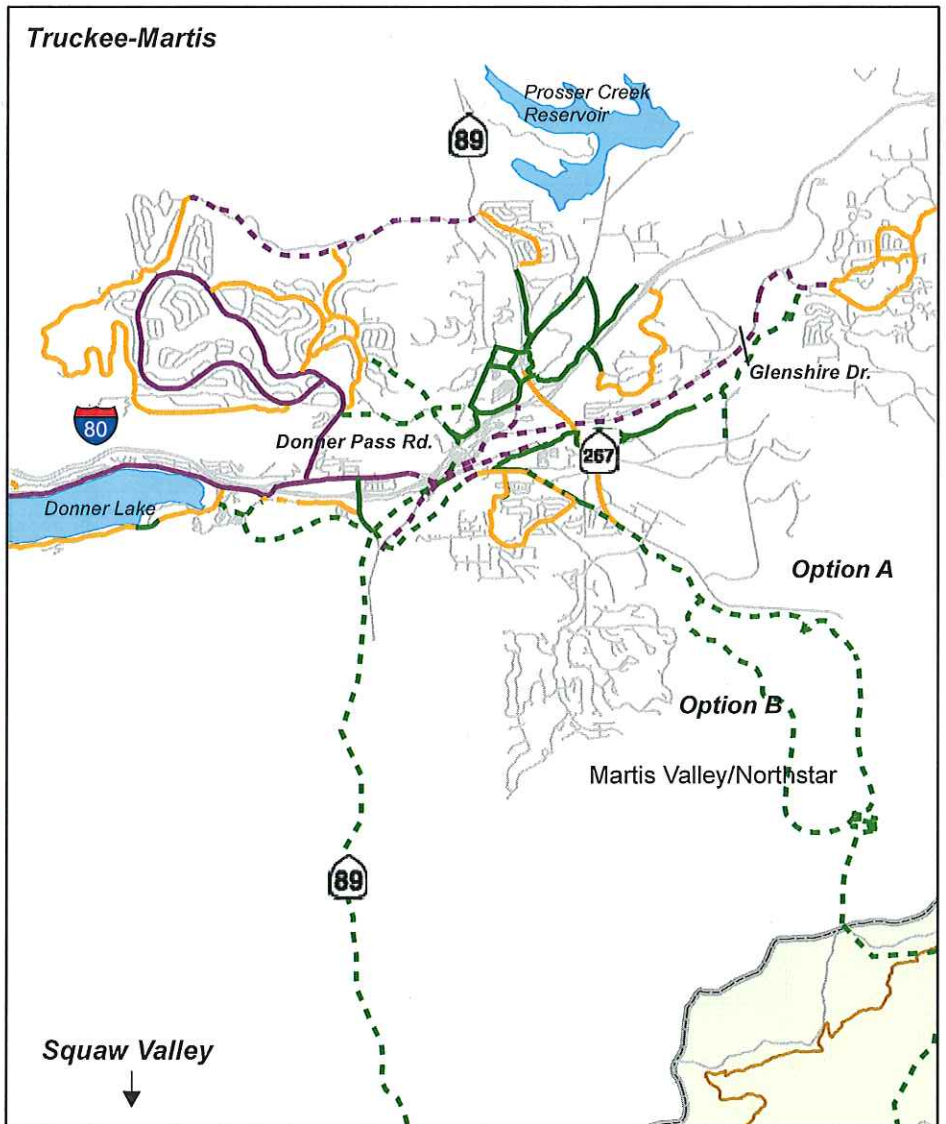
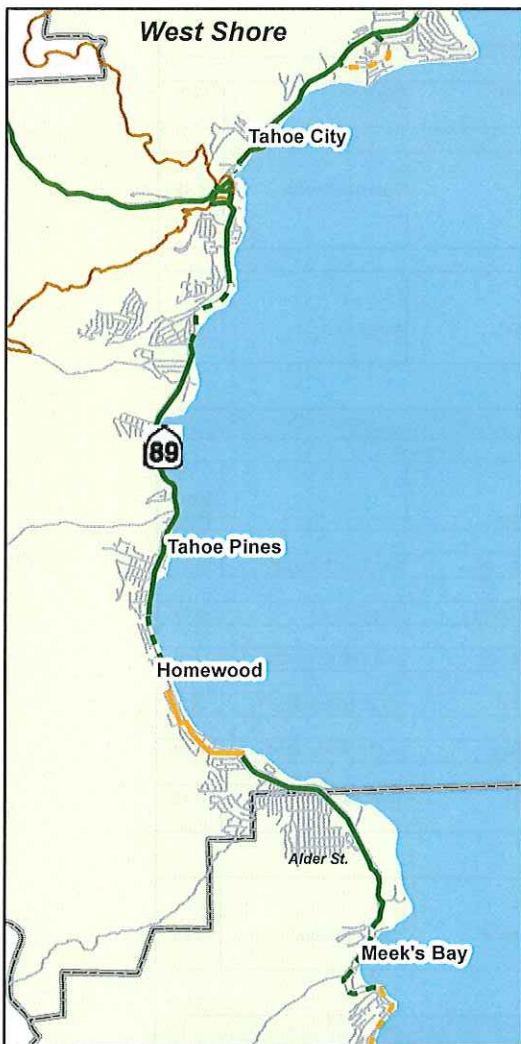
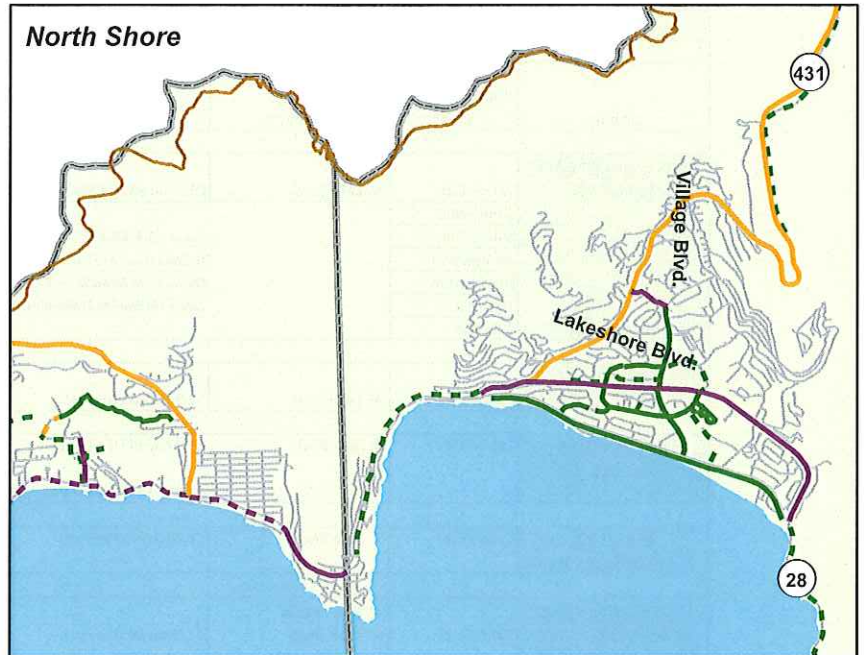
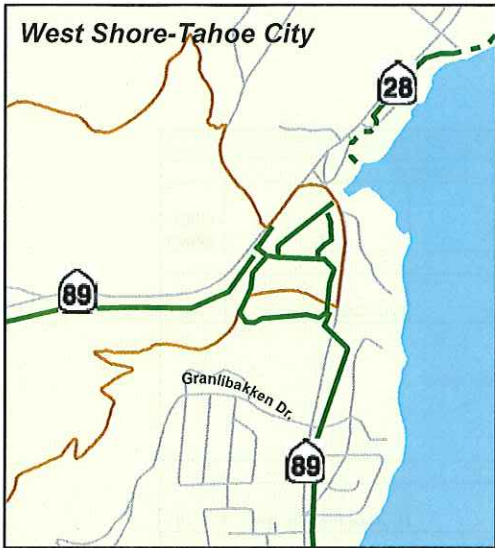
Proposed Bicycle Facilities

- - - C-1/SHARED USE PATH
- - - C-2/BIKE LANE
- - - C-3/BIKE ROUTE

Other Features

- Streets
- Tahoe Rim Trail
- TRPA Boundary

Project Area Inset Maps



Legend	
	Streets
	Tahoe Rim Trail
	TRPA Boundary
Existing Bicycle Facilities	
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Squaw Valley



Existing Class I Shared Use Paths

WEST SHORE (EXISTING)						
Name	Vicinity (City or Unincorporated Area)	On or Adjacent To	Facility Type	Segment		Length (Miles)
				From	To	
West Shore Bike Trail (CA SR 89) Placer Co., CA	Tahoe City	W. Lake Blvd.	C1/Shared Use Path	Fanny Bridge -- over Truckee River	El Dorado Co. line	8.6
	Sunnyside					
	Sunnyside					
	Homewood					
	Homewood					
	Tahoma					
<i>(Gaps -- 3.3 miles @: Sequola Ave. to n/o Chinquapin Ln. -- 0.5 (Class 3 -- Bike Route) Cherry St. to Fawn St. -- 0.9 Tahoe Ski Bowl to El Dorado Co. line -- 1.9)</i>						
64-Acres Placer Co., CA	Tahoe City	W. Lake Blvd.	C1/Shared Use Path	Fanny Bridge	Truckee River Bridge	0.78
Lakeside Trail Placer Co., CA	Tahoe City	N. Lake Blvd.	C1/Shared Use Path	Truckee River Dam	Tahoe State Park	1.2
<i>(Gaps -- Truckee River Dam to Mackinaw; Grove Street to Tahoe State Park)</i>						
(CA SR 28) Placer Co., CA	Tahoe City	N. Lake Blvd.	C1/Shared Use Path	Tahoe State Park	Dollar Dr.	2.2
Truckee River Trail (CA SR 28 & SR 89) Placer Co., CA	Tahoe City	W. River Rd. & W. Lake Blvd.	C1/Shared Use Path	Fairway Dr.	Squaw Valley Rd.	3.45
Tahoe Rim Trail Placer Co., CA	Tahoe City - Tahoe Pines - Homestead		Recreational Multi-Use Trail	Tahoe Meadows	Barker Pass	35.9

NORTH SHORE (EXISTING)						
Name	Vicinity (City or Unincorporated Area)	On or Adjacent To	Facility Type	Segment		Length (Miles)
				From	To	
Washoe Co., NV	Incline Village	Lakeshore Blvd.	C1/Shared Use Path	West End @ NV 28	East End @ NV 28	2.93
	"	Northwood Blvd.	C1/Shared Use Path	NV 28 (Tahoe Blvd.)	Village Blvd.	0.61
	"	Southwood Blvd.	C1/Shared Use Path	West End @ NV 28	East End @ NV 28	1.81
	"	Village Blvd North	C1/Shared Use Path	Northwood Blvd.	NV 28 (Tahoe Blvd.)	0.73
	"	Village Blvd. South	C1/Shared Use Path	Southwood Blvd.	NV 28 (Tahoe Blvd.)	0.64
	"	Mays Blvd.	C1/Shared Use Path	Lakeshore Blvd.	Southwood Blvd.	0.42
	<i>(Gap @ -- Allen Way to Burnt Cedar Creek -- 0.2 miles)</i>					
Tahoe Rim Trail Washoe Co., NV	Incline Village - Tahoe City		Recreational Multi-Use Trail	Brockway Summit	Tahoe Meadows	18.9

TRUCKEE - MARTIS VALLEY (EXISTING)						
Name	Vicinity (City or Unincorporated Area)	On or Adjacent To	Facility Type	Segment		Length (Miles)
				From	To	
	Truckee	Comstock Dr.	C1/Shared Use Path	Industrial Dr.	Alder Dr.	0.7
	"	Prosser Dam Rd.	C1/Shared Use Path	SR 89	Ryley Ct.	1

Proposed Class I Shared Use Paths

WEST SHORE (PROPOSED)									
Name	Vicinity (City or Unincorporated Area)	On or Adjacent To	Facility Type	Segment		Length (Miles)	Cost per Mile (\$ M)	Total Cost	Status
				From	To				
<u>West Shore Bike Trail</u> (CA SR 89) Placer Co., CA	Homewood	W. Lake Blvd.	C1/Shared Use Path	Fawn St.	Cherry St.	0.85	2.4	2.1	Planning
	Sunnyside		C1/Shared Use Path	Sunnyside Resort	Lower Sequoia	0.65	1.5	0.9	

NORTH SHORE (PROPOSED)									
Name	Vicinity (City or Unincorporated Area)	On or Adjacent To	Facility Type	Segment		Length (Miles)	Cost per Mile (\$ M)	Total Cost	Status
				From	To				
<u>Lake Forest Trail</u> Placer Co., CA	Dollar Point		C1/Shared Use Path	Existing Bike Path	Lake Forest Campground	0.11	1	0.1	Final Design
			C1/Shared Use Path	Skylandia Park	SR 28	0.18	1	0.2	Construction
<u>North Tahoe Bike Path</u> (Placer Co., CA)	Dollar Hill - Tahoe Vista		C1/Shared Use Path	Dollar Hill	North Tahoe Regional Park	8	2	16	Environmental
<u>Lakeside Trail Phase 2C Phases V, VI</u> Placer Co., CA	Tahoe City	N. Lake Blvd.	C1/Shared Use Path	Mackinaw Rd.	Commons Beach	0.3	10	3	Environmental
			C1/Shared Use Path	Grove St.	State Campground	1.1	4.4	4.9	Permit Approved
<u>Alder Ave.</u> Washoe Co., NV	Incline Village	Alder Ave.	C1/Shared Use Path	Northwood Blvd.	Village Blvd.	0.47	1.00	0.40	
<u>Incline Way</u> Washoe Co., NV	Incline Village	Incline Way	C1/Shared Use Path	Southwood Blvd.	Incline Creek	0.37	1.00	0.30	
<u>NV Stateline to Stateline Bikeway</u> Washoe Co., NV	Incline Village	NV 28	C1/Shared Use Path	Stateline Rd.	Lakeshore Dr. (West)	2.15	4.00	8.50	Prel. Planning
<u>NV Stateline to Stateline Bikeway</u> Washoe Co., NV			C1/Shared Use Path	Incline Village	Sand Harbor	2.49	8.00	19.90	Prel. Planning
<u>Northwood Blvd.</u> Washoe Co., NV	Incline Village		C1/Shared Use Path	Village Blvd. East	SR 29	0.58	2	1.1	
<u>Old Mt. Rose Hwy.</u> Washoe Co., NV	Incline Village	NV 431	C1/Shared Use Path	Dirt Parking Lot	Basin Boundary	2.54	1	2.5	
<u>SR 28 - North side</u> Washoe Co., NV	Incline Village	NV 28	C1/Shared Use Path	Preston Field	Northwood Blvd.	0.3	2	0.6	
<u>Tanager St.</u> Washoe Co., NV	Incline Village	Tanager St.	C1/Shared Use Path	Oriole Way	Southwood Blvd.	0.09	1	0.9	
<u>Village Green</u> Washoe Co., NV	Incline Village		C1/Shared Use Path	Recreation Ctr. Path	Lakeshore Blvd.	0.2	1	0.2	
<u>Northstar Trail</u> Placer Co., CA	Tahoe Vista		C1/Shared Use Path	Basin Boundary	NV 28	1.78	2	3.5	
<u>Northstar Trail</u> Placer Co., CA	Tahoe Vista		C1/Shared Use Path	Basin Boundary	North Tahoe Regional Park	1.82	2	3.6	

Proposed Class I Shared Use Paths

TRUCKEE - MARTIS VALLEY (PROPOSED)									
Name	Vicinity (City or Unincorporated Area)	On or Adjacent To	Facility Type	Segment		Length (Miles)	Cost per Mile (\$ M)		Status
				From	To		Total Cost		
	Truckee	Sanitation District Rd.	Corridor - Class 1 Bike Path	Joerger Dr.	Truckee River Legacy Trail	0.5			
	Truckee	E. Euer Valley Rd.	Alignment - Class 1 Bike Path	Comstock Dr.	Northwoods Blvd.	1.5	0.73	1.1	Prel. Design
	Truckee	Hilltop Rd. / trail	Corridor - Class 1 Bike Path	Brockway Rd.	Truckee River	0.8	0.75	0.7	
	Truckee	Coldstream Rd.	Corridor - Class 1 Bike Path	Donner Pass Rd.	SR (River Rd.)	2			Part of PC-1 development
	Truckee	Donner Memorial State Park	Corridor - Class 1 Bike Path	Cold Stream Rd.	S. Shore Dr.	0.5			Part of PC-1 development
	Truckee	Trout Creek	C1/Shared Use Path	Tahoe Donner	Downtown	1.5	0.73	1.1	Prel. Design
	Truckee	Truckee River	C1/Shared Use Path	Tahoe Truckee Sanitation Plant	Glenshire Dr.	2.11	2.4	5	Environmental
	Truckee	Brockway Rd.	C1/Shared Use Path	Estates Dr.	Martis Valley Rd.	0.5	1.2	0.6	Design
	Truckee	SR 89	C1/Shared Use Path	West River St.	Deerfield Dr.	0.4	12.5	5	Design
Martis Valley Regional Trail Placer Co., CA	Martis Valley to Northstar		C1/Shared Use Path	Nevada/Placer County line near Shaffer Mill Rd. & SR 267	Sawmill Flat	9.3			Environmental
Tahoe Pyramid Pathway Nevada Co.		Truckee River & I-80 (Truckee to Pyramid Lake -- 116 miles)	C1/Shared Use Path	Boca Reservoir	Nevada State Line	10.2			