

Presentation for the Highlands HOA August 31, 2019

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TOPICS for Today

1) 2019 Water and Sewer Rate Study

2) Tahoe Cross Country Lodge Replacement and Expansion Project



2019 Water and Sewer Rate Study

- o TCPUD's current water and sewer rate structure is being evaluated for financial sustainability
- Proposition 218 requires rigorous process to identify the utility Cost of Service prior to setting new rates for both water and sewer service
- TCPUD retained HDR Engineering, Inc. to complete an updated Cost of Service analysis for utility operations and capital infrastructure improvements
- o On August 16th, TCPUD Board recommended a proposed 5-year schedule of maximum allowable water and sewer rates
- o Proposition 218 Notice to Property Owners of Proposed Water and Sewer Rates and a Public Hearing mailed on August 30th
- Community public workshops (TCPUD Board Room)

Tuesday, September 17th: 5:30pm-7pm Thursday, September 19th:11:30am-1pm

o Proposition 218 Public Hearing (TCPUD Board Room)

Friday, October 18th: 9am

Go to www.tcpud.org/ratestudy for more information

2019 Water Revenue Requirement Summary

Water Revenue (Rate) adjustments are necessary

| | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 |
|-----------------------|---------|---------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Avg. Residential Bill | \$90.58 | \$97.13 | \$102.97 | \$107.11 | \$111.39 | \$115.87 |
| Monthly \$ Change | | \$6.55 | \$5.84 | \$4.14 | \$4.28 | \$4.48 |
| Annual % Change | - | 7.2% | 6.0% | 4.0% | 4.0% | 4.0% |

- Reflects the need to prudently fund annual water O&M expenses
- Adequately fund annual infrastructure renewal and replacement
 \$2.5 million annually
- Meet ending reserve targets
 Annually using reserves to fund capital improvements
- o 50% of annual WTP debt service funded through rates
 - All other outstanding debt funded through property tax revenue



PROJECT CHRONOLOGY

✓ Public Meetings

September 3, 2017 – Highlands HOA

January 22, 2018 – Neighborhood Focus Meeting

April 21, 2017 – TCPUD Board Meeting March 6, 2018 – Neighborhood Focus Meeting

August 18, 2017 – TCPUD Board Meeting March 16, 2018 – TCPUD Board Meeting

October 20, 2017 – TCPUD Board Meeting July 17, 2018 – CEQA Public Scoping Meeting

- ✓ **CEQA Work Plan and Consultant Selection** October 2017
- ✓ Project Alternatives Development March 2018
- ✓ Commence CEQA August 2018
- ✓ Administrative Draft EIR March 2019



TCPUD BOARD ACTION/DECISIONS MADE

- April 21, 2017 TCPUD Board Meeting Board adopted staff recommended motion to designate 3 Project Alternatives
- August 18, 2017 TCPUD Board Meeting Board approved CEQA Work Plan, consultant selection process, and TCPUD staffing expenditure associated with Work Plan
- o **October 20, 2017 TCPUD Board Meeting** Approved Professional Services Agreement with Ascent Environmental and Reimbursement Agreement with Tahoe Cross Country Ski Education Association
- March 16, 2018 TCPUD Board Meeting Board approved Project Objectives, designated the Proposed Project, and authorized the evaluation of 5 Project Alternatives



PROJECT OBJECTIVES

TCPUD

- Expand recreational opportunities through construction of a new lodge at the Highlands Park to improve resident and visitor experience.
- Construct a new lodge that minimizes effect on the neighborhood.
- Maintain a concessionaire partnership to operate improved and viable recreation opportunities.
- Preserve financial accountability and transparency of TCPUD property tax funds, while maximizing the use of private funding for construction of new lodge.
- Create inviting community areas and public use spaces.
- Support North Lake Tahoe Tourism Master Plan by:
 - Capitalizing infrastructure improvements on public lands and recreational assets.
 - Achieving a Tier 1 Action Priority by providing connected trail systems for mountain biking, hiking, and Nordic skiing.

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- Address operational deficiencies in current facility and improve financial viability.
- Repurpose the historic Schilling House into new lodge for community use and recreation activities.
- Maximize base elevation of lodge site.
- Improve and maintain educational programs and activities offered to adults and youth, and create a more user friendly trail system for beginner, disabled, and senior recreationists.

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- Remedy inadequate parking and improve access to the lodge and trail system.
- Provide high quality and professionally maintained recreational amenities and facilitate growth and diversity of recreational opportunities by enhancing summer and winter activities.



PROPOSED PROJECT AND ALTERNATIVES

<u>Proposed Project</u>:

Site D – Full Proposed Project: Relocation to site adjacent to NTHS, construction of new lodge and associated site improvements

Alternatives:

Site A – Full Proposed Project: Current site, construction of new lodge and site improvements

Site A – Modified Project: Current site, retain existing building and modified construction of new lodge and site improvements

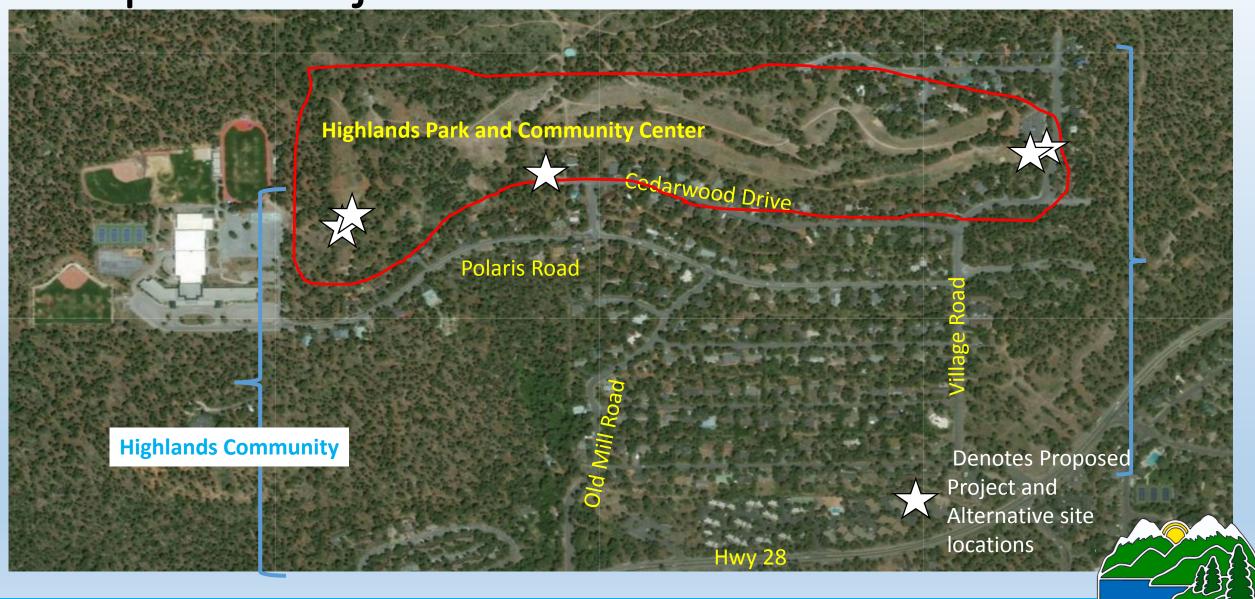
Site D – Reduced Project: Relocation to site adjacent to NTHS, modified construction of new lodge and associated site improvements

Site D – Alternative Driveway: Full Proposed Project, Alternate access from Cedarwood Drive

No Project



Proposed Project and Alternative Site Locations



Proposed Project Site Plan (Site D – Full Project)



Site Summary

- Schilling Structure with addition and basement (10,154 sf)
- Use includes tix sales, retail, mtg room, café, rental, storage, staff area, first aid, lockers, family area, gym/mtg space, snowmobile carport, community/outdoor space
- 100 parking spaces
- 2 bus parking spaces
- Parking driveway coverage59,799 sf



Schilling Lodge - Rendering







TAHOE CROSS COUNTRY SKI AREA - FRONT ENTRANCE FOR SITE A + D 2018 02 26

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CEQA STATUS

- TCPUD is preparing an Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
- Scoping was completed in July 2018
- EIR Preparation began in August 2018
 - Development of the Project Description
 - Data Collection/Technical Studies
- Administrative Draft EIR received March 2019
 - Extensive internal/external review
 - TCPUD/Legal/Tahoe XC/State and County Agencies
 - Long, detailed, and comprehensive document
- Public Draft EIR to be released when ready



CEQA Document (Partial List)

See Public Resources Code §21100, §21061 Guidelines §§15122-15131

- Project Description
 - Project Justification/Need
- Environmental Setting
- Environmental Impacts/Analysis of Resource Areas
 - Aesthetics
 - Agriculture Resources
 - Air Quality
 - Biological Resources
 - Cultural Resources
 - Geology and Soils
 - Greenhouse Gas Emissions
 - Hazards and Hazardous Materials (cont.)
 - Hydrology and Water Quality
 - Land Use and Planning

- Mineral Resources
- Noise
- Population and Housing
- Public Services
- Recreation
- Transportation/Traffic
- Utilities, Energy and Service Systems
- Alternatives (Required in EIR)
- Mitigation Measures
- Cumulative Impacts
- Growth-Inducing Impacts
- Economic and Social Effects (Optional)

| NEXT STEPS | SCHEDULE (<u>Estimated</u>) |
|---|-------------------------------|
| Public Draft EIR released for public review and comment | Early November 2019 |
| Draft EIR 45-day public comment period ends | Late December 2019 |
| TCPUD submits comments on Admin Final EIR, Draft MMRP | February 2020 |
| TCPUD distributes Final EIR | March 2020 |
| 10-day Agency review period ends | April 2020 |
| Public Hearings/Approval Meetings | April 2020 |

Questions?

For more information about:

- 2019 Water and Sewer Rate Study, visit <u>www.tcpud.org/ratestudy</u>
- Tahoe Cross Country Lodge Replacement and Expansion Project, visit <u>www.tcpud.org/capital-improvement-projects/tahoe-cross-country-lodge-replacement-and-expansion</u>

