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DATE: OCTOBER 10, 2011
TO: TOWN COUNCIL, TOWN COMMISSIONERS, TOWN STAFF, PLANNING PARTNERS AND INTERESTED PARTIES OF THE DRAFT MOBILITY ELEMENT
FROM: RAY JARVIS, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR; MARK WARDLAW, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR
RE: TOWN OF MAMMOTH LAKES DRAFT MOBILITY ELEMENT PUBLIC REVIEW

Thank you for your interest in the Town of Mammoth Lakes Draft General Plan Mobility Element. The draft Element is now ready for public review and comment and is scheduled to be presented and discussed with Town Commissions on the following dates:

- Recreation Commission, Wednesday, November 8th, 4:00 pm, Suite Z;
- Planning Commission, Wednesday, November 9th, 2:00 pm, Suite Z;
- Mobility Commission - Tuesday, November 15th, 4:00 pm, Suite Z;
- Airport Commission - Tuesday, November 22nd, 3:00 pm, Suite Z;
- Recreation Commission - Tuesday, December 6th, 4:00 pm, Suite Z; and
- Planning Commission – Wednesday, December 14th, 2:00 pm, Suite Z.

We look forward to hearing from you; **Public comments on the draft Element are due no later than December 16, 2011 at 5:00 pm.** Please provide comments to Jessica Morriss, Associate Transportation Planner, at Jmorriss@ci.mammoth-lakes.ca.us or (760) 934-8989 ext. 225.

Following the close of the public comment period, staff will prepare the final draft of the Mobility Element for Town Council consideration, which is targeted for January 18, 2012.

Purpose of the Mobility Element

The Mobility Element, once adopted, will serve as the community's comprehensive transportation plan, updating the existing Circulation Element of the Town's 2007 General Plan. The Mobility Element establishes the goals, policies, actions, and infrastructure necessary to achieve a progressive and complete multimodal transportation system that serves the needs of all users by implementing "feet-first," "complete streets," and smart-growth, and context-sensitive design principles.

Over the last two years, a significant amount of work has taken place to produce the draft Element for your consideration. Using the existing General Plan Circulation Element as a

starting point, comprehensive technical analyses and broad-based public outreach were conducted, forming the basis for the content of the draft Element.

Organization of the Draft Mobility Element

The draft Element is organized into three chapters as follows:

Chapter 1, Introduction

Chapter 1 includes a summary of Mobility Principles and Management Strategies.

Chapter 2, Background and Context

Chapter 2 includes a summary of the planning area, partner jurisdictions, stakeholders, the relationship of the Mobility Element to other planning documents, and an overview of public outreach and participation.

Chapter 3, Comprehensive Mobility System

Chapter 3 is divided into a series of sections, addressing various transportation modes (vehicle, pedestrian, bicycle, transit) and transportation related topics (parking, transportation demand management, regional/interregional transportation). The Complete Streets section (3.2) serves as a “roll-up” of all the other sections and is meant to summarize the transportation system as a whole, whereas each individual section that follows provides more detail about that mode/subject. All sections include general information about the transportation mode or subject, a detailed figure that illustrates existing and recommended future facilities, and a series of goals, policies and actions for that mode/subject.

Appendices

The appendices include documentation of public outreach and participation, technical information regarding the Town’s updated traffic model (including results), information about General Plan Circulation Element requirements and complete street requirements, draft typical sections, and an action implementation table.

Commenting on the Draft Mobility Element

Hearing your input is necessary in order to produce a plan that meets the needs and reflects the values of the community. Please find enclosed a printed copy of the draft Element, as well as a CD of the draft Element’s Appendices. All documents can also be found on the Town’s website at the following web address: <http://www.ci.mammoth-lakes.ca.us/index.aspx?nid=425> or in the Town offices at 437 Old Mammoth Road, Suite R.

Comments from all parties are due no later than December 16, 2011 at 5:00 pm.

Please provide comments to Jessica Morriss, Associate Transportation Planner, at Jmorriss@ci.mammoth-lakes.ca.us or (760) 934-8989 ext. 225. We look forward to your input in this very important planning effort.

Enc:

Hard copy of Draft Mobility Element

CD of Draft Mobility Element Appendices