



## River Revitalization Steering Committee River Health and Access Action Team Minutes

October 10, 2024, 9:00 AM

Truckee Town Hall | 10183 Truckee Airport Rd.

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1. **Call to Order** – Chair Lisa Wallace called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.
2. **Roll Call** - Chair Lisa Wallace, Committee Members Richard Anderson, Morgan Hargrave, and Jan Holan.

**Absent:** Vice-Chair Maggie Cummings.

**Staff Present:** Hilary Hobbs, Assistant to the Town Manager; Carissa Binkley, Economic Development Program Analyst; Taylor Crouch, Administrative Technician.

Jake Hudson arrived at 9:04 a.m.

3. **Public Comment** – none.

4. **Consent**

- 4.1 **August 8, 2024 Minutes**

Action Team considered approval of the minutes.

- 4.2 **September 13, 2024 Minutes**

Action Team considered approval of the minutes.

- **Jan Holan moved to approve the items on consent as presented. The motion was seconded by Morgan Hargrave and passed with the following vote.**

**Ayes:** Chair Lisa Wallace, Committee Members Richard Anderson, Morgan Hargrave and Jan Holan.

**Noes:** None.

**Absent:** Vice-Chair Maggie Cummings and Jake Hudson

**Abstained:** None.

**The motion passed 4-0.**

5. **Discussion Items**

- 5.1 **Review and Revise the "Memorandum Draft R2SC River Health and Access Action Team River Health Opportunities and Considerations" with the Considerations and Feedback from the October 1, 2024 River Revitalization Steering Committee Meeting**

Action Team members reviewed the considerations and feedback on the draft Memorandum received from the River Revitalization Steering Committee during the October 1, 2024 meeting. Action Team members revised the draft Memorandum to address some considerations and feedback.

**Action Team Discussion:**



- Chair Lisa Wallace and Stephanie Grigsby, Design Workshop Consultant, refreshed the Action Team on the history of the document. The Action Team gave Design Workshop direction on the content of the memo. Design Workshop drafted the memo, and it was circulated back to the Action Team for edits. Design Workshop made the edits, and that draft was presented to the River Revitalization Steering Committee on October 1, 2024. The Steering Committee gave direction on content additions to the memo. Design Workshop and Chair Lisa Wallace made those edits, and that is being reviewed today. The Action Team provided more content edits and direction to Design Workshop. The revised draft will be re-circulated to the Action for further edits before going back to the River Revitalization Steering Committee on November 5, 2024.
- The Action Team further defined the terms used by the Action Team and in the memo “park” “open space” and “managed access”. Design Workshop to re-work the definitions in the memo.
- There was discussion on cottonwood stands in the project area. The Action Team asked that the memo clarify that they recommended reduced access to cottonwood grove areas not because they want to keep people away from the trees, but because cottonwoods grow in healthy riparian areas that should remain healthy. The goal for vegetation like aspens and cottonwoods in the project area should protect what is currently there and encourage regeneration.
- The Action Team asked for clarification and edits to sections on the maps associated with the memo. Including managed access color coding along the south side of the river where the Legacy Trail is now open. The Legacy Trail phase 4 will have dramatic impacts on access to the river from the south.
- The Action Team asked that the map also reflect current informal access on the south side of the river across from Trout Creek Confluence, and that the riparian color code be used from Trout Creek confluence through to the Trout Creek Restoration Project Reach 5 terminus.

#### **Chair Lisa Wallace opened public comment.**

- There was public comment received regarding access in one geographic area, that area will experience high-use impacts. Where is the funding for these impacts, like trash, and parking? Is Truckee Rec and Park in on the project? What is the tax impact on the community? Non-community members will be utilizing the project area, where are the resources coming from?
- There was public comment received regarding the financial impact of the project, and understanding that the final road alignment decision of West River Street will also impact financials. Asked if the plan was to fund this through a bond. There was expressed concern about the cost of living in the area for future generations. They expressed that limited river access has kept the river healthy.

## **5.2 Future Agenda Items**

Action Team members discussed potential future agenda items.

#### **Action Team Discussion:**

- The Action Team will meet again if the revised draft memo comes back with more feedback after the November 5, 2024 River Revitalization Steering Committee meeting.

## **6. Adjournment – 10:13 a.m.**

To the next meeting of the River Revitalization Steering Committee River Health and Access Action Team on November 14, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. at Truckee Town Hall, 10183 Truckee Airport Rd. Truckee, CA.