

MEMORANDUM OF LEGISLATIVE COOPERATION  
BY AND AMONG THE  
LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, AFFECTED GOVERNMENT ENTITIES, SERVICE  
PROVIDERS AND OTHER AGENCIES IN THE TRUCKEE MEADOWS REGION

**2012 - 2013**

WHEREAS, the Regional Planning Governing Board (RPGB) established pursuant to *Nevada Revised Statutes* (NRS) 278.0264, local governments, affected entities, service providers, and other agencies in the Truckee Meadows region have numerous mutual areas of interest, including, but not limited to, master planning, facilities planning, regional planning, delivery of services, tax policy, governance, natural resources, human resources, economic development, and others; and

WHEREAS, a cooperative approach to intergovernmental relations and a unified effort within the region best serves the interests of the residents of the Truckee Meadows in achieving desired results in Nevada's Legislature; and

WHEREAS, local governments, affected entities, service providers and other agencies wish to work together to present, to the extent possible, a unified, cooperative, legislative effort for the 2013 session of Nevada's Legislature; and

WHEREAS, local governments, affected entities, service providers and other agencies understand that their respective interests may differ on some issues considered by, or presented to, Nevada's Legislature during its 2013 session;

NOW, THEREFORE, the RPGB, and the governing bodies of local governments, affected entities, service providers and other agencies (herein after identified as "the parties") make the following findings and declarations regarding the 2013 session of Nevada's Legislature:

1. Employees and contract lobbyists representing the parties will present their bill draft requests to each other at an informal meeting prior to the start of the session, in order to provide information and be available to ask and answer questions with regard to proposed legislation that affects the parties, directly or indirectly.
2. Employees and lobbyists representing the parties will meet and confer regularly during the session with regard to proposed legislation that affects the parties, directly or indirectly. Also, these employees and lobbyists will use this meet and confer mechanism as an initial forum for conflict resolution, should conflicts arise.
3. Employees and lobbyists representing the parties will make every effort to identify and communicate a unified, cooperative position on proposed

legislation, especially in light of the limited number of bill draft requests available to government agencies and legislators.

4. The parties and their representatives will identify and discuss their differences regarding proposed legislation, and determine whether there are other options, inside or outside the legislative process, which would resolve those differences.
5. Each of the parties commits to disclose to the employees and lobbyists of the other parties the position it has taken, or intends to take, regarding legislative measures of mutual interest. Also, as required by subsection 2 of NRS 278.0286, the cities of Reno and Sparks, Washoe County, and affected entities will file all relevant information with the RPGB before submitting a recommendation for proposed legislation relating to the mandatory provisions of the Truckee Meadows Regional Plan. The parties will file such information 60 days prior to submittal to the Legislative Council Bureau in accordance with the deadlines established in regulations adopted by the RPGB.
6. Employees and lobbyists representing the parties will provide assistance and information to each other, to individual legislators, and to standing legislative committees for the purpose of advancing measures in which there is a mutual interest.
7. Employees and lobbyists representing the parties will inform individual legislators and standing legislative committees whether opinions they express on a given matter represent a unified regional position or a singular position taken by the party.
8. The parties will actively solicit support for the unified, cooperative legislative approach from business, institutional, and other interest groups.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this memorandum on the dates signified:

**REGIONAL PLANNING GOVERNING BOARD** (NRS 278.0264),  
by and through its board

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Bonnie Weber, Chair

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Date

**CITY OF RENO**, a municipal corporation  
by and through its council

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Robert A. Cashell, Sr., Mayor

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Date

**CITY OF SPARKS**, a municipal corporation  
by and through its council

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Geno R. Martini, Mayor

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Date

**WASHOE COUNTY,**  
by and through its commission

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, Chair

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Date

**REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION** of Washoe County,  
by and through its board

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, Chair

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Date

**WASHOE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT,**  
by and through its board

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, President

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Date

**WASHOE COUNTY HEALTH DISTRICT,**  
by and through its board

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, Chair

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Date



**TRUCKEE MEADOWS WATER AUTHORITY,**  
by and through its board

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, Chair

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Date

**RENO SPARKS CONVENTION AND VISITORS AUTHORITY,**  
by and through its board

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, Chair

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Date

**WESTERN REGIONAL WATER COMMISSION,**  
by and through its board

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, Chair

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Date

**SUN VALLEY GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT,**  
by and through its board

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, Chair

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Date

**SOUTH TRUCKEE MEADOWS GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT**

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Chairman, Board of Trustees

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Date

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Chairman, Local Managing Board

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Date

**INCLINE VILLAGE GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT**  
by and through its board

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Date