

Summary of Consultant Activities – March 2019
Sustainable Community Advocates
Steve Teshara, Principal

- Travel to Washington, D.C., March 10-12 for meetings with members and personal staff of members of the Tahoe Congressional Delegation, as well as specific members of appropriations committee staff in the Senate and House who deal with Tahoe appropriations requests. (*as a member and coordinator of the Lake Tahoe Partnership). Confirm breakdown of \$15 million in LTRA federal FY 2019 funding; advocate for higher level of funding in federal FY 2020; advocate for the release of funding for Tahoe projects pending in Round 17 of the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA).
- Prepare and transmit March 28 memo to Basin Chiefs and Foresters summarizing outcomes of legislative meetings, including the identification of a possible source of funding for water infrastructure “that significantly improves the firefighting capability of local government within the Lake Tahoe Basin” as authorized in the LTRA (Possible source: State Fire Assistance Account).
- Continue to work with TFFT IC Forest Schafer preparing for scheduled April 18 meeting of the TFFT Multi-Agency Coordinating Group (MAC) at the North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District, 875 Tanager Street, in Incline Village (1 to 3 p.m.). Prepare and transmit calendar invitation for this meeting. Begin work with Forest to draft meeting agenda items.
- Continue work with North Tahoe-Meeks Bay Fire Chief Michael Schwartz regarding planned letter to CAL FIRE and USFS LTBMU re: “Request for Information Related to Unified Dispatch Services” for the Lake Tahoe region.
- Continue to receive updates from Chief Schwartz and Danielle Hughes (Tahoe Transportation District) regarding the status of requested FEMA/CAL OES Hazard Mitigation Grant Program funding to support significant improvements in emergency response agency communications in the Tahoe region (End Warning Systems and Incident Management).