Truckee Meadows Public Land Management Act
Components

• Legislation would create public lands within a disposal boundary which could be made eligible for sale and development

• Creates funds for local conservation and infrastructure projects in Washoe County from the proceeds for land sold

• Creates permanent conservation of land in Washoe County, focusing primarily on the Wilderness Study Areas
Changes to the process

- As a region the three local governments met to discuss what would be the purpose and intent of a lands bill in our region and came up with shared goals for such legislation.

- Together we reviewed the proposals and discussed much of the feedback that we had received from the last year's proposal and made changes to reflect much of that feedback.

- Continuing to meet with the various stakeholders to put together a draft proposal.

- The proposal will not have language drafted by the local entities, our federal partners will take our comments and intent to draft legislation.
Goals

• Address housing demand and affordability
• Encourage infill development; maximize utilization of existing infrastructure
• Fund continued preservation of open space; enhance quality of life
• Support trail and park infrastructure enhancements (i.e. Truckee River Linear Park)
• Assist with Public Land Management; improve access to recreation and resources for land management
• Creation of new additional Wilderness Areas in northern Washoe County
• Improve local infrastructure to address growth (transit, water storage, flood management)
• Align with the Regional Plan Update
• Ensure disposal parcels follow existing local and federal regulations and development standards
Economic Development and Disposal Boundary
Disposal Boundary & Federal Constraints
Federal Constraints

- Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe Reservation
- Reno Sparks Indian Colony
- Mount Rose Wilderness
- Hungry Valley Special Recreation Management Area
- Areas of Critical Environmental Concern
- Environmentally Sensitive Land
Disposal Boundary with Federal and Local Constraints
Local Constraints

• Mirrors the Area Plan Map 4 – Development Constraints Area with slopes greater than 30% being a development constraint, legislation will contain this constraint

• Bedell Flats will be designated to have only infrastructure projects (i.e. TMWA water infiltration project) and open space
Process for the Sale of Land within the Disposal Boundary
Process

- Land would be nominated by the jurisdictions
- The federal agency would conduct a full review of the land to determine if sale would be appropriate
- If the land is not appropriate for sale the federal agency will deny the nomination
- If the land is appropriate for sale the federal agency will determine the fair market value
- A public auction is how the land would be sold and cannot be sold for less than fair market value
- Once sold the development of any parcel would follow current processes among the jurisdictions
Process

- Local agencies/governments can purchase land in the future for fair market value.
  - This is to ensure that local governments would not be outbid by private developers
  - Because the land is purchased if it is not needed in the future the local government could resell the land
Proceeds from the sale

- 5% will go to the Nevada State k12 Education Fund

- 85% will go to a special US Treasury account to be used on conservation and land management activities.
  - i.e. fuels management, purchase of environmentally sensitive lands (Peavine Mountain), wildlife management, parks and natural areas, etc

- 10% will go to the local jurisdictions to be spent based on a MOU, but is limited to infrastructure and conservation activities.
  - i.e. Truckee River projects, roads, sewer, parks, trails, etc
Agencies with Transfer Requests

- City of Reno
- Reno City Land Trust
- City of Sparks
- Washoe County
- Washoe County School District
- Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District
- Regional Transportation Commission
- Truckee Meadows Water Authority
- Truckee Meadows Water Reclamation Facility
- Truckee River Flood Management Agency
- Nevada Department of Wildlife
Land Transfers

- Can only go to public government agencies
- Can only be used for the reason given for the transfer
- Can only be held by the agency requesting the transfer
- Must receive a full review by the federal agency for transfer to occur
- There can be a cost associated with the transfer
City of Reno Transfer Requests

• APN 087-021-15 to be used for effluent water storage

• APN 081-023-21, 081-023-02, 081-023-25, 081-023-23 & 081-101-21 to be used for expansion of North Virginia Street

• Total of 715.11 acres
Reno City Land Trust Transfer Requests

• APN 086-390-06, 003-020-10, 082-361-04, 082-361-03, 082-361-02, 234-021-05, 021-270-34 to be used for affordable housing

• Total of 709.6 acres
City of Sparks Land Transfer Requests
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• APN 084-550-01, 083-061-10, 035-182-03, 035-182-02, 035-192-04 to be used for park and open space

• APN 035-080-01 to be used for a cemetery

• Total of 865.6 acres
Washoe County Land Transfer Requests
Washoe County Transfer Request

- APN 076-011-019 for a shooting range buffer


- Total 1,016.1 acres
Overview

- This is a 40-50 year bill
- It would be approximately 5 years after the bill passes before any land would be eligible for sale
  - This is to allow the process to be completed for land transfers in the bill
- Land stays with the federal agency until it is sold
- There is a limit to how much land could be sold annually due to work involved for the review
- All federal, state and local development laws, code and processes would be adhered to
- There are several Nevada lands bills being worked on and proposed in Congress
• Conservation designations in northern Washoe County are still being worked on

• Transfer Requests are still pending as additional requests may be coming soon

• Creating a complete draft proposal to post online that will allow the public to review and leave comments
Next Steps

- Posting to a website the draft proposals to receive public input
- Hold public meetings regarding the draft proposal
- Bring resolutions to the Washoe County Commission, Reno City Council and Sparks City Council
- Federal map conflict process
- Federal legislation draft language process
Questions