## Planning and Economic Development Commission Agenda Action Sheet

**<u>Title</u>:** Consideration of Unmet Transit Needs within the Town of Mammoth Lakes for FY 25/26. This item is being continued to a Special Planning and Economic Development Commission meeting on March 18, 2025.

## Commission Meeting Date: 3/12/2025

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**<u>Recommended Motion</u>**: Staff recommends the Planning & Economic Development Commission receive public input and provide feedback to staff regarding the evaluation of unmet needs in the Town of Mammoth Lakes and provide direction to staff regarding unmet needs or transit services.

Summary: State law provides for a Citizen Participation Process that requires the Regional Transportation Planning Agency (the Mono County Local Transportation Commission [LTC] in the case of Mammoth Lakes) to hold at least one public hearing to ensure broad community participation and solicit the input of transit-dependent and transit-disadvantaged persons, including the elderly, disabled, and persons of limited means. A public hearing on unmet transit needs is also required prior to the LTC allocating any funds not directly related to public transportation services, specialized transportation services, or facilities provided for the exclusive use of pedestrians and bicycles. The purpose of the unmet needs hearing is to solicit comments on unmet transit needs that may exist within Mammoth Lakes and that might be reasonable to meet by establishing or contracting for new public transportation or specialized transportation services or by expanding existing services. To meet the public hearing requirement for both the Citizen Participation Process and unmet transit needs, and to facilitate public input on transit needs, the LTC has directed that Unmet Transit Needs assessments be conducted in coordination with the Regional Planning Advisory Committees (RPAC) for the County and the PEDC for the Town during the spring of each year. The input received at these sessions will be presented to the LTC for consideration at their meetings in April and May.