

Regular Meeting Agenda June 21, 2012 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Mammoth Lakes Library Ellie Randol Reading Room

- A. Call to Order
- B. Additions to Agenda
- C. Organizational Items
 - 1. Acceptance by Charter Members of May 17, 2012, Meeting Summary (attachment)
 - 2. Remaining Meeting Schedule
 - a. Maximum two left under current MLTPA contract
 - 3. Charter Member Updates
- D. Special Updates
 - 1. MLTS Website Review
 - 2. Mammoth Lakes Trail System Coordinating Committee (MLTS CC)
 - a. Review of project list as acted upon by Town Council (attachment)
 - b. Next steps for the Mammoth Lakes Trail System
 - 3. What's Next for Mammoth Trails
 - a. Review of Mammoth Trails Charter (attachment)
 - b. Drafting of discussion points for "Mammoth Trails Summit" at July meeting
 - 4. Summer of Stewardship 2012
 - a. Schedule/Co-Hosting Opportunities
 - July 14: Horseshoe Lake/McLeod to Red Cones/Crater Meadow with Mammoth Pet Shop
 - ii. July 28: Lake George with DSES
 - iii. August 11: Coldwater
 - Co-hosting still available!
 - iv. September 15: Coastal Cleanup Day, "Lakes Basin Cleanup," with Sierra Club
 - 5. Shady Rest/Inyo Craters Existing Conditions Report
- E. TOML Reporting
 - a. Measure U Test Cycle

- b. Measure R Spring 2012
- F. Announcements and Updates
- G. Requests for Future Agenda Items
- H. Next Meeting: Thursday, July 19, 2012, 4–5:30 p.m., Mammoth Lakes Library Ellie Randol Reading Room
- I. Adjourn



Regular Meeting Summary May 17, 2012 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Mammoth Lakes Library Ellie Randol Reading Room

- A. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by MLTPA CEO John Wentworth at 4:08 p.m. in the Ellie Randol Room of the Mammoth Lakes Library. Also in attendance were Charter Members Drew Foster (Friends of the Inyo), Laurel Martin (Disabled Sports Eastern Sierra), Malcolm Clark (Sierra Club), and Alana Levin (High Sierra Triathlon Club); and MLTPA Community Engagement Director Kim Stravers.
- B. Additions to Agenda: None.
- C. Organizational Items
 - Acceptance by Charter Members of April 19, 2012, Meeting Summary (attachment): By consensus of the Charter Members, the summary was accepted as submitted.
 - 2. Remaining Meeting Schedule
 - a. Three or four left under current MLTPA contract: Mr. Wentworth reported that Mammoth Trails has been facilitated by MLTPA under contract with the Town of Mammoth Lakes (TOML) and that this contract is winding down. It appears as though June and July meetings can be held, but it is unclear whether meetings may continue beyond this date. The Mammoth Lakes Trail System Coordinating Committee (MLTS CC) will consider Mammoth Trails as one of the projects that can potentially be funded through the annual \$300,000 Measure R allocation to the MLTS beginning July 1, 2012.
 - 3. Charter Member Updates: Mr. Foster shared that Friends of the Inyo (FOI) recently met with the Inyo National Forest's (INF) Michael Morse and Keith Dawley to discuss the Summer of Stewardship Trail Days 2012 program logistics. He noted also that use patterns in the backcountry will likely change due to the November 2011 windstorm that blew down thousands of trees. FOI is in negotiations with the INF for potential paid staff support to the INF for clearing the debris. Mr. Foster also shared that June Lake Trails Day is June 23, 2012. Ms. Martin shared that Disabled Sports Eastern Sierra (DSES) is currently switching over to their traditional summer program and readying for the annual Wounded Warriors event in June 2012. She noted that DSES will be using many of the Mammoth Lakes Trail System's (MLTS) multi-use paths (MUPs) this summer for cycling, beginning out of Shady Rest. Mr. Clark reported that the Sierra Club's Wednesday-evening hikes are now on Thursday evenings, twice per month on the first and third evenings at 5:30 p.m., departing from the Mammoth Lakes Union Bank parking lot. These hikes will run from June through September, weather permitting. He noted also that Sierra Club member Bryce Wheeler recently attended the sixth Sierra Cascades Dialog, in Bishop, and that this was the first meeting to be satellite broadcast from the Sacramento area. Mr.

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Wheeler reported to the club that INF Mammoth District Ranger Ed Armenta had said in discussion that there should perhaps be a special Eastern Sierra dialog session. Mr. Clark clarified that all Sierra Cascades Dialog sessions are focused on the INF Forest Planning Rule. This last session centered on adaptive management, which is gathering data in an open process with all stakeholders participating, collaboratively developing and monitoring a plan, evaluating the plan, and then starting again to improve and refine the program.

D. Special Updates

- 1. Mammoth Lakes Trail System Coordinating Committee (MLTS CC)
 - a. Project Matrix Review and Prioritization: Mr. Wentworth explained that this matrix was put together by MLTPA as part of their contract with the TOML to provide staffing support to this committee. The matrix is a tool to review and rank/prioritize MLTS projects annually, then allocate the \$300,000-per-year budget appropriated to the MLTS by Town Council. He reported that the committee didn't get into ranking projects at this last meeting, but that they did put the projects into four "buckets": Bucket #1 is for projects ready to go; Bucket #2 is for projects needing further consideration; Bucket #3 is for long-term projects; and Bucket #4 is for ongoing programming. Mr. Wentworth also shared that there is a full set of synopses to match the projects list, and that the matrix and synopses are available on the MLTS CC page of mltpa.org. The next MLTS CC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 23, at 3 p.m.; the location is to be confirmed.
- 2. Review of MLTPA Reporting on May 8 to Recreation Commission: Mr. Wentworth took meeting participants through this slideshow while summarizing the presentation he had given to the Recreation Commission two weeks prior. He noted that MLTPA should be done with its current contract in July 2012.
- 3. Summer of Stewardship 2012
 - a. Review of MLTPA/FOI Partnership: Mr. Wentworth reported that FOI and MLTPA are working on a memorandum-of-understanding type of document that will formalize roles and responsibilities for this program moving forward.
 - **b. Schedule/Co-Hosting Opportunities:** The group briefly reviewed the below dates; potential or actual participation is noted where applicable.
 - i. June 2: National Trails Day, "Open the Lakes Basin"
 - ii. July 14: Horseshoe Lake/McLeod to Red Cones/Crater Meadow
 - iii. July 28: Lake George: Ms. Martin expressed an interest in having DSES co-host this event and will check with her team to confirm their availability.
 - iv. August 11: Coldwater
 - v. September 15: Coastal Cleanup Day, "Lakes Basin Cleanup": Mr. Clark confirmed that the Sierra Club will co-host this event.
- **4. MLTS Website Experience Development:** Mr. Wentworth shared with the group some in-progress web pages both on the screen projector and on his

- smartphone. He noted that MLTPA may be looking to Mammoth Trails members to test the site later this summer.
- 5. Shady Rest/Inyo Craters Existing Conditions Report: Mr. Wentworth explained that this is an on-the-ground report paid for out of MLTPA's contract with the Town, and that it will be developed using existing reports, studies, and data—specifically the INF's Travel Management Decision—to produce maps (see handout). When the report is complete, MLTPA will bring it back to Mammoth Trails at their July meeting for review. The intent is to follow this report with a traditional collaborative-planning process with the public, as was done with the Sherwin Area Trails Special Study (SATSS) and then the Sherwins Working Group (SWG) in 2008–2009.
- **6. INF Travel Management Plan Implementation Public Meeting (5/29/12):** Ms. Stravers informed the group that the meeting will take place in the Mammoth Ranger Station Auditorium from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. The focus of the meeting is to inform the community about what actions will be taking place this summer. Mr. Foster relayed that some work is already in progress.
- 7. State of Trails in Panorama Dome: Mr. Wentworth shared that the Panorama Dome trails were heavily impacted by the November windstorm and that he will follow up with INF Recreation Staff Officer Jon Kazmierski to find out how this will affect trail opening and the fuels-reduction project.

E. TOML Reporting

- **a. Municipal Recreation Guide:** Ms. Stravers shared that the guide is now available throughout the community and that it lists only municipal children's recreation programs such as soccer and summer camps.
- **b. Measure U Test Cycle:** Mr. Wentworth, a Measure U Steering Committee member, shared that the test cycle is complete. All public meetings were recorded. About \$600,000 was awarded to the Mammoth Track Project to facilitate a summer construction cycle.
- c. Measure R Spring 2012: Mr. Wentworth shared that the first Recreation Commission hearings recently occurred and that the next hearing is set for May 29, during which meeting funding recommendations may be developed for Town Council. Ms. Levin shared that no application was submitted from Mammoth Trails Charter Members.
- F. Announcements and Updates: None.
- **G.** Requests for Future Agenda Items: Ms. Martin expressed an interest in the Charter Members reevaluating their mission statement as suggested by Ms. Levin at the April meeting. The group concurred that it would be worthy to hold a Mammoth Trails summit at the July meeting, to concur with the closeout of MLTPA's Town contract and facilitation of the group, and that development of an agenda for this summit would be a good focus for the June meeting.
- **H. Next Meeting:** Thursday, June 21, 2012, 4–5:30 p.m., Mammoth Lakes Library Ellie Randol Reading Room
- **I. Adjourn:** By consensus of the Charter Members, the meeting was adjourned at 5:16 p.m.

MLTS CC - Final Project Recommendations by "Bucket" - June 7, 2012





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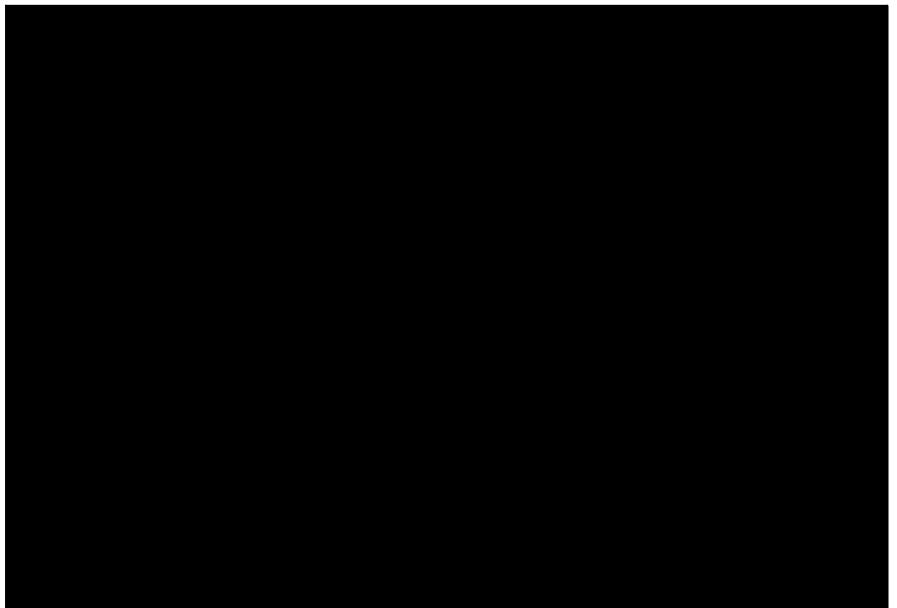
CODE	PROJECT + DESCRIPTION	BUCKET	RECOMMENDATION
711	MLTS Marketing and Publicity - The development, execution, and maintenance of an effective marketing strategy on behalf of an MLTS including the development and implementation of marketing strategies and programs developed with Mammoth Lakes Tourism.	2	\$ -
721	MLTS Partnership Program - The development, deployment, and maintenance of an effective corporate/business partner program to benefit the facilities and program of the MLTS.	2	\$ -
131	Biathlon - Further development of biathlon opportunities for Mammoth Lakes based upon the "Biathlon" study as reviewed and approved by the Recreation Commission.	3	\$ -
111	MLTS Implementation Plan - Further refinement of Trail System Master Plan project implementation recommendations to be coordinated with the MLTS CC (project #421).	4	\$ 7,500.00
211	MLTS Standards Manual Updates - Maintenance of the MLTS Standards Manual on an "as needed" basis.	4	\$ -
321	Sherwins Winter Egress - Annual maintenance of the winter signage and outreach campaign advising the public on legal egress routing from the Sherwins area across Snowcreek Golf Course to the Ranch Road public easement.	4	\$ 1,500.00
421	MLTS Coordinating Committee & Annual Budget - Convening and staff support for the MLTS Coordinating Committee (MLTS CC) in conjunction with the MLTS Management Program (project 411).	4	\$ 32,500.00
423	MLTS Facilities for TOML CIP - Identification of projects appropriate for inclusion in the Town's Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).	4	\$ 3,000.00
431	Mammoth Trails - Maintenance of "Mammoth Trails", a confederation of outdoor recreation user groups and clubs that meets monthly.	4	\$ 6,250.00
441	MLTS Grants - Coordinated writing of grants for the benefit of MLTS infrastructure and programs.	4	\$ 8,500.00
442	MLTS Fundraising - Development and implementation of fundraising programs for the benefit of MLTS infrastructure and programs.	4	\$ 5,000.00
451	MLTS Website Operations and Maintenance - Maintenance, enhancement and annual operations of the MLTS website.	4	\$ 10,000.00
461	MLTS Data Library - Collection and maintenance of GIS, use information, and other data relevant to the maintenance and operations of the MLTS.	4	\$ 6,250.00
472	Lakes Basin Stewards Program - Implementation of the Friends of the Inyo Lakes Basin Stewardship program.	4	\$ 30,000.00
491	MLTS Photo and Image Library - Maintenance and management of the MLTS photographic and image library.	4	\$ 5,000.00
511	Soft Surface Trail Maintenance - Maintenance and management of the "Trail Days" volunteer-based soft surface trail maintenance program.	4	\$ 47,500.00
512	Multi Use Path Maintenance - Development and implementation of a volunteer-based multi use path (MUP) light maintenance program similar to project 511.	4	\$ 3,500.00
731	Print Maps/Guides - Production and distribution of maps and related hard goods. Income from sale of these products may be used to benefit the operations and programs of the MLTS.	4	\$ 3,000.00
741	Annual MLTS Season Opener - Annual event at the beginning of summer to announce/celebrate the opening of the MLTS.	4	\$ 1,000.00
	Total Value of MLTS CC Recommendations:		\$ 300,000.00



MLTS CC Project Prioritization "Bucket Definitions"

- 1. Bucket #1 "Ready to Go"
 - a. Projects considered doable, fundable
- 2. Bucket #2 "Not Yet Ready to Go"
 - a. Includes trail alignments, design, and environmental work
 - b. Ready to go next summer (2013)
- 3. Bucket #3 "Projects that Don't Fit/Long Range"
 - a. Holding bucket
 - b. Newly generated programs/projects
 - c. Placeholder for public to bring in ideas.
- 4. Bucket #4 "Ongoing, Operations, and Maintenance"
 - a. Projects and programs delivered; here on the ground.
 - b. Things getting finished. Related to fundraising.







CODE	PROJECT	Bucket	SUGGESTED	FUNDING RATIONALE
332e	Waterford Gap Closure Project - Implementation of TR-07 as identified in the current TOML 5-year trails Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).	1	TOML CIP	TOML CIP: Please see the Town's "TRAILS CIP" list for more details on project status and funding
332f	Meadow Creek Connector Path - Implementation of TR-08 as identified in the current TOML 5-year trails Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).	1	TOML CIP	TOML CIP: Please see the Town's "TRAILS CIP" list for more details on project status and funding
332g	Lake George Connector Path - Implementation of TR-09 as identified in the current TOML 5-year trails Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).	1	TOML CIP	TOML CIP: Please see the Town's "TRAILS CIP" list for more details on project status and funding
121	Shady Rest/Inyo Craters Working Group - Collaborative planning for the Shady Rest/Inyo Craters region.	2	\$ 17,500.00	ANALOGOUS EFFORTS: Sherwins Working Group (8 Public Meetings, 4 Field Trips + Report) and Lakes Basin Special Study (3 Public Meetings + Field Trips + Report) RECOMMENDATION: Allocate funding for 5 Public Meetings, 4 Field Trips + Report.
212	Soft Surface Signage and Wayfinding - Development of standards and prototypes for the MLTS soft surface trail signage and wayfinding system.	2	\$ 10,000.00	ANALOGOUS EFFORT: MLTS Signage and Wayfinding efforts to date including user group ("Mammoth Trails") and agency consultation process and construction of prototypes. RECOMMENDATION: Use established methods through proposed design, construction of prototypes, and budget estimates for system wide deployment
221	SHARP Alignments - "On the ground" trail alignment studies in the Sherwins region for trails identified in the Sherwins Area Recreation Plan (SHARP).	2	\$ 12,500.00	ESTABLISHED EFFORT: SHARP Trails Technical Committee trail alignment process including volunteer coordination, field work, mapping, and final report (2010 - 2011). RECOMMENDATION: Level of effort necessary to complete trail alignments for all SHARP trail proposals necessary for design and enviro analysis as directed by agencies.



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222	Lakes Basin Alignments - "On the ground" trail alignment studies in the Lakes Basin region for trails identified in the Lakes Basin Special Study (LABSS).	2	\$	15,000.00	ANALOGOUS EFFORT: SHARP Trails Technical Committee trail alignment process including volunteer coordination, field work, mapping, and final report (2010 - 2011). RECOMMENDATION: Level of effort necessary to complete trail alignments for all LABSS trail proposals necessary for design and enviro analysis as directed by agencies.
223	Shady Rest/Inyo Craters Alignments - "On the ground" trail alignment studies in the Shady Rest/Inyo Craters region to be identified by the "Shady Rest/Inyo Craters Working Group" (see project 121).	2	\$	12,500.00	ANALOGOUS EFFORT: SHARP Trails Technical Committee trail alignment process including volunteer coordination, field work, mapping, and final report (2010 - 2011). RECOMMENDATION: Level of effort necessary to begin trail alignments for Shady Rest/Inyo Craters trail proposals as deemed necessary for design and enviro analysis as directed by agencies.
231	SHARP Trails Project Design - Trail alignment and/or facility design review and development of construction specifications for Sherwins Area Recreation Plan (SHARP) projects.	2	\$	7,500.00	ANALOGOUS EFFORT: Efforts undertaken by MLTPA with USFS staff to analyze completed SHARP trail alignment studies, complete design of trails where appropriate, and/or identify further design efforts where necessary. RECOMMENDATION: Complete design of SHARP trails based on completed trail alignment studies and/or identify further design efforts where necessary.
232	Lakes Basin Trails Project Design - Trail alignment and/or facility design review and development of construction specifications for Lakes Basin trail projects.	2	\$	7,500.00	ANALOGOUS EFFORT: Efforts undertaken by MLTPA with USFS staff to analyze completed SHARP trail alignment studies, complete design of trails where appropriate, and/or identify further design efforts where necessary. RECOMMENDATION: Complete design of LABSS trails based on completed trail alignment studies and/or identify further design efforts where necessary.



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233	Shady Rest/Inyo Craters Trails Project Design - Trail alignment and/or facility design review and development of construction specifications for Shady Rest/Inyo Craters Working Group projects.	2	\$ 5,000.	ANALOGOUS EFFORT: Efforts undertaken by MLTPA with USFS staff to analyze completed SHARP trail alignment studies, complete design of trails where appropriate, and/or identify further design efforts where necessary. RECOMMENDATION: Begin design of Shady Rest/Inyo Craters trails based on completed trail alignment studies and/or identify further design efforts where necessary.
311	SHARP Trails Environmental Analysis - Preparation and drafting of environmental review documents for the potential implementation of Sherwins Area Recreation Plan (SHARP) projects for the CEQA/NEPA environmental review processes.	2	\$ 3,750.	on ANALOGOUS EFFORT: Efforts undertaken by MLTPA with USFS staff or recommended specialists to prepare environmental field studies where identified studies have a sufficient and timely need and "shelf life" for final environmental analysis. RECOMMENDATION: Allocate sufficient funds to conduct appropriate field studies as identified by agencies + prepare scoping documents for the complete environmental analyses. NB: Budget allocations for the complete environmental analyses are NOT included here but will be budgeted at a later date based upon the scoping efforts.



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312	Lakes Basin Trails Environmental Analysis - Preparation and drafting of environmental review documents for the potential implementation of Lakes Basin trail projects for the CEQA/NEPA environmental review processes.	2	\$ 3,750.00	ANALOGOUS EFFORT: Efforts undertaken by MLTPA with USFS staff or recommended specialists to prepare environmental field studies where identified studies have sufficient need and "shelf life" for final environmental analysis. RECOMMENDATION: Allocate sufficient funds to conduct appropriate field studies as identified by agencies + prepare scoping documents for the complete environmental analyses. NB: Budget allocations for the complete environmental analyses are NOT included here but will be budgeted at a later date based upon the completed completed scoping efforts.
313	Shady Rest/Inyo Craters Trails Enviro Analysis - Preparation and drafting of environmental review documents for the potential implementation of Shady Rest/Inyo Craters trail projects for the CEQA/NEPA environmental review processes.	2	\$ 3,750.00	ANALOGOUS EFFORT: Efforts undertaken by MLTPA with USFS staff or recommended specialists to prepare environmental field studies where identified studies have sufficient need and "shelf life" for final environmental analysis. RECOMMENDATION: Allocate sufficient funds to conduct appropriate field studies as identified by agencies + prepare scoping documents for the complete environmental analyses. NB: Budget allocations for the complete environmental analyses are NOT included here but will be budgeted at a later date based upon the completed completed scoping efforts.



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471	MLTS Interpretive Program - The development, delivery, and maintenance of an interpretive program from the Interpretive Sign Plan.	2	\$ 3,750.00	documentation of MLTS partners' efforts to create an implementation plan for the interpretive program for the MLTS based upon the "Interpretive Services Planning: Opportunities for Interpretation along the Mammoth Lakes Trail System" report as delivered to the TOML. RECOMMENDATION: Allocate sufficient funds to convene, facilitate and document partner efforts producing specific recommendations for consideration by the MLTS CC for implementation of the interpretive program for the MLTS.
481	MLTS Trail Patrol - The establishment and maintenance of a "trail patrol" to assist in the uniform enforcement of laws and regulations on the MLTS and to assist the public with their recreation experiences.	2	\$ 3,750.00	program for consideration by the MLTS Trail Patrol" program for consideration by the MLTS CC. Implement the program once approved by the MLTS partners. RECOMMENDATION: Allocate sufficient funds to draft the Trail Patrol program. Implement the program during 4 summer months or as recommended by the MLTS CC including the recruitment and monitoring of volunteers.
513	Facility Maintenance - Coordination of the short-, medium-, and long-term maintenance needs of MLTS facilities and other related infrastructure through an annual series of trail stewardship and maintenance volunteer workdays.	2	\$ -	similar to project #511 for the specific benefit of non-trail MLTS infrastructure. Implementation of program in conjunction with - or potentially fully integrated into -project #511. RECOMMENDATION: Integrate into project allocation for #512 to develop non-trail facility stewardship program identifying opportunities already existing in project #511 and implementation of program.



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611	Adopt A Trail Program - Development and implementation of a trans jurisdictional (TOML/USFS) "adopt a trail" program for the MLTS to be coordinated with volunteer light maintenance programs (projects 511 + 512).	2	\$	3,750.00	ESTIMATED EFFORT: Development of program integrating USFS and TOML regulations and opportunities to establish an integrated MLTS Adopt a Trail for review by MLTS CC. RECOMMENDATION: Allocate sufficient funds to research and develop the MLTS Adopt A Trail program for review by MLTS CC.
711	MLTS Marketing and Publicity - The development, execution, and maintenance of an effective marketing strategy on behalf of an MLTS including the development and implementation of marketing strategies and programs developed with Mammoth Lakes Tourism.	2	\$	6,000.00	ESTABLISHED EFFORT: Maintenance of MLTS brand including copyrighting efforts and leveraging of marketing opportunities with MLT. RECOMMENDATION: Allocate sufficient funds to sustain existing effort for 2 hrs. per week @ \$57 per/hr.
721	MLTS Partnership Program - The development, deployment, and maintenance of an effective corporate/business partner program to benefit the facilities and program of the MLTS.	2	\$	2,500.00	estimated effort: Conduct analysis of opportunities and constraints for an MLTS corporate/business partner program for review by MLTS CC. RECOMMENDATION: Allocate sufficient funds to conduct analysis and produce report for review by MLTS CC.
131	Biathlon - Further development of biathlon opportunities for Mammoth Lakes based upon the "Biathlon" study as reviewed and approved by the Recreation Commission.	3	\$	-	Projects in Bucket #3 are not currently recommended for funding
111	MLTS Implementation Plan - Further refinement of Trail System Master Plan project implementation recommendations to be coordinated with the MLTS CC (to be coordinated with project #421).	4	\$		ANALOGOUS EFFORT: MLTPA staffing effort and costs for MLTS CC prioritization of MLTS projects for TOML FY 12/13 budget appropriation. RECOMMENDATION: Allocate funding for similar level of effort. Could be coordinated with projects #111 and #421 for budgetary efficiencies.
211	MLTS Standards Manual Updates - Maintenance of the MLTS Standards Manual on an "as needed" basis.	4	\$	4,000.00	EXISTING EFFORT: Standards Manual due for delivery Summer of 2012 - no updates have been done to date. RECOMMENDATION: 35 hours for the year based on \$57/hr. billable rate



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321	Sherwins Winter Egress - Annual maintenance of the winter signage and outreach campaign advising the public on legal egress routing from the Sherwins area across Snowcreek Golf Course to the Ranch Road public easement.	4	\$ 5,000.00	"Sherwins Winter Egress Program." RECOMMENDATION: Maintain established level of effort estimated averaging \$5,000 per season.
421	MLTS Coordinating Committee & Annual Budget - Convening and staff support for the MLTS Coordinating Committee (MLTS CC) in conjunction with the MLTS Management Program (project 411).	4	\$ 7,000.00	ESTIMATED EFFORT: 12 two-hour meetings of MLTS CC over FY 12/13 + staff support at ration of 4:1 per meeting hour. RECOMMENDATION: Approximately 120 hrs. of staff time @ \$57/hr.
423	MLTS Facilities for TOML CIP - Identification of projects appropriate for inclusion in the Town's Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).	4	\$ 3,000.00	@ \$57/hr. to identify and develop projects for the Town's CIP process. RECOMMENDATION: Allocate sufficient funds for level of effort identified.
431	Mammoth Trails - Maintenance of "Mammoth Trails", a confederation of outdoor recreation user groups and clubs that meets monthly.	4	\$ 12,500.00	ESTABLISHED EFFORT: Noticing, convening, facilitation and documentation of Mammoth Trails meetings including special break out efforts for prioritized efforts. RECOMMENDATION: Allocate funds to continue program and current level of effort.
441	MLTS Grants - Coordinated writing of grants for the benefit of MLTS infrastructure and programs.	4	\$ 8,500.00	ESTIMATED EFFORT: The coordinated efforts of partners in the MLTS to secure grant funding for MLTS projects and leverage local funding sources. RECOMMENDATION: Establish inventory of potential grant resources as coordinated with identified MLTS projects, identify appropriate partner applicants, write grant applications and administer received grants.



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442	MLTS Fundraising - Development and implementation of fundraising programs for the benefit of MLTS infrastructure and programs.	4	\$ 5,000.00	for the benefit of MLTS facilitates and programs through the coordinated effort of MLTS partners and implement the program. RECOMMENDATION: Convene and facilitate MLTS partners for the development and implementation of a coordinated fundraising program to be reviewed by MLTS CC.
451	MLTS Website Operations and Maintenance - Maintenance, enhancement and annual operations of the MLTS website.	4	\$ 30,000.00	maintenance of the MLTS Website (server, bandwidth, etc) and the ongoing maintenance and development of content. RECOMMENDATION: Conduct analysis of physical maintenance needs after site launch in coming month; establish minimum of 8 hrs. per week @ \$57/hr. for site content update and maintenance.
461	MLTS Data Library - Collection and maintenance of GIS, use information, and other data relevant to the maintenance and operations of the MLTS.	4	\$ 12,500.00	EXISTING EFFORT: Assuming that vast majority of facility data collection for MLTS is complete, anticipate 16 hrs. per month @ \$57/hr. for maintenance of data sets, anticipated special projects, and collection of data from trail counters. RECOMMENDATION: Maintain minimal level of data management while allowing sufficient resources for anticipated project opportunities including trail counter and use data collection.
472	Lakes Basin Stewards Program - Implementation of the Friends of the Inyo Lakes Basin Stewardship program.	4	\$ 30,000.00	ESTABLISHED EFFORT: Friends of the Inyo has managed this program in the Lakes Basin for the last three summers at an estimated cost of \$15k per steward per season. Estimated costs are based upon project efficiencies by simultaneously managing project #511. RECOMMENDATION: Allocate sufficient funds to maintain the program at the current level of effort.



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491	MLTS Photo and Image Library - Maintenance and management of the MLTS photographic and image library.	4	\$	5,000.00	ESTABLISHED EFFORT: Maintenance of existing MLTS photo library. Implementation of intellectual property program so as to leverage regional image resources. RECOMMENDATION: Allocation of sufficient funds to maintain existing MLTS Photo library including image requests. Establishment of intellectual property program to leverage donated resources and to move images efficiently between MLTS programs.
511	Soft Surface Trail Maintenance - Maintenance and management of the "Trail Days" volunteer-based soft surface trail maintenance program.	4	\$	47,500.00	established effort: Partnered effort by Friends of the Inyo and MLTPA for soft surface trail maintenance. Program is managed in relationship with project # 472 and estimated costs are based on analysis of project budgets for both projects over last two summers. Recommendation: Allocation of funds to sustain current level of effort recognizing the interrelationship with project # 472.
512	Multi Use Path Maintenance - Development and implementation of a volunteer-based multi use path (MUP) light maintenance program similar to project 511.	4	\$	3,500.00	ESTIMATED EFFORT: Development of program similar to project #511 for the specific benefit of Multi Use Paths. Implementation of program in conjunction with - or potentially fully integrated into - project #511. RECOMMENDATION: Allocation of funds sufficient to develop MUP stewardship program identifying opportunities already existing in project #511 and implementation of program.
731	Print Maps/Guides - Production and distribution of maps and related hard goods. Income from sale of these products may be used to benefit the operations and programs of the MLTS.	4	\$	3,000.00	ESTABLISHED EFFORT: Prepare analysis of MLTS mapping needs and opportunities for review by MLTS CC including available "Green Sticker" funds and existing MLTS mapping projects. RECOMMENDATION: Allocate sufficient funds to produce analysis of MLTS mapping needs and opportunities for MLTS CC review.



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741	Annual MLTS Season Opener - Annual event at the beginning of summer to announce/celebrate the opening of the MLTS.	4		ESTIMATED EFFORT: Identification of appropriate trail opportunity to celebrate the opening of the summer season for the MLTS. RECOMMENDATION: Allocate sufficient funds for leveraged marketing efforts announcing the opening day event.
	Total Value of Recommended Allocations:		\$ 330,000.00	



MLTS CC Meeting: June 7, 2012

MLTS Project Matrix Review Notes by Bucket

Notes taken by MLTPA Community Engagement Director Kim Stravers

BUCKET 1: "Ready to Go Projects"
Further definition of this bucket: None

331 SHARP Trails Construction 2012

CONSENSUS: MOVE FORWARD IN FY 12/13

Estimated cost: \$7,500 for #12b and \$5,000 for #13 (from Measure R Fall 2011 application budget; reliant on volunteer labor; tasks need to be identified and roles/responsibilities established)

- Projects within this category have already been identified (SHARP Map ID #s 12b and 13)
- Can be pursued perhaps through FOI/MLTPA Summer of Stewardship program
- #13: INF has represented that there are some sections requiring switchbacks and retaining walls that will need expertise that can be supplied by FOI and/or other partners
- #13: Community can help to build less-technical sections
- #12b: Remainder of trail to be completed (work begun in summer 2011), after fuels-reduction project on Panorama Dome is completed
- INF desires to conduct a bundled EA if possible for multiple projects in this area
 - CE's subject to notice (federal register), comment, and appeal
 - Bundling is a more complex project that would prevent these two identified projects from being implemented this summer
 - This may become more important if the other related projects gain priority, but only if; as there are only these two projects currently identified, however, this may not be an issue for FY 12/13
 - Identify bundled-trails opportunities for FY 13/14 to set up for this type of analysis (see project #423)
- These projects (#13 and #12b) need to be formally proposed to the INF by the TOML before work may proceed on the CE and construction
 - Include MLTPA design documents if possible

332 TOML CIP Projects

CONSENSUS: MOVE FORWARD WITH ALL FIRST-YEAR CIP TRAIL PROJECTS PRESENTED IN CURRENT TOML 5-YEAR PLAN

- The full list ("expand to all") was not included in this meeting's packet, but was handed to Dave Wilbrecht by Haislip Hayes
 - This is needed for public-information purposes only, as budgeting has already been done for the projects identified therein
 - Show all projects in the master MLTS Project Matrix moving forward so that a second sheet is no longer necessary

Show funding sources for all projects if there is room, using checkboxes if necessary
Ultimately, all MLTS CC–recommended trail projects that will be maintained under special-use permit will

that will be maintained under special-use permit will feed back into the Town's CIP; those that remain under other, non-Town permitting would not go into the master CIP

 INF has stated that that agency often works with, or applies for grants such as Paul S. Sarbanes with, the TOML for CIP projects that are not trails. Suggestion was made to include trails AND nontrails projects in the CIP as part of the overall prioritization process for this partnership

411 MLTS Management Program

CONSENSUS: THIS PLAN WILL "SELF-CREATE" AS THE COMMITTEE'S WORK MOVES ALONG.

- Draft in place (worked on between TOML and MLTPA to date)
- Will require population by Town staff
- May also include an operation plan, which begs question of supplanting due to facilities already in operation not funded by Measure R but that are covered under this program
 - Does an operations plan supersede the development of a management plan?
- Report on previous trails-maintenance budgets from Dennis Rottner to be provided for next meeting to help provide estimate for future operations

BUCKET 2: NOT YET READY TO GO/2013 OR LATER

111 MLTS Implementation Plan

CONSENSUS: THIS PROJECT SHOULD MOVE FORWARD AND BE PLACED IN BUCKET 4.

- o This is a further refinement of what is recommended in the TSMP.
- This is an outgrowth of the MLTS CC planning currently underway and can dovetail with, but still stand separately from, project 421.

423 MLTS Facilities for TOML CIP

CONSENSUS: THIS PROJECT SHOULD MOVE FORWARD AND BE PLACED IN BUCKET 4.

121 Shady Rest/Inyo Craters Working Group

CONSENSUS: MOVE THIS PROJECT FORWARD, WITH FURTHER DISCUSSION.

- MLTPA to produce existing conditions analysis as part of their current contract, which can inform a modest collaborative planning effort this fall.
- Details can be worked out re: how to conduct the collaborative planning.

212 Soft Surface Signage and Wayfinding

CONSENSUS: THIS PROJECT SHOULD MOVE FORWARD.

- This would be an effort to come up with a design standard for this type of signage that would complement the work already done for front-country and municipal trails.
 - The INF could adopt this standard through a NEPA decision.
 - This would not include wilderness areas.
 - This would include also determining which trails get signage.
 - This would include winter and summer signage.

221 SHARP Trails Technical Committee

CONSENSUS: MOVE THIS FORWARD. COMBINE WITH 231.

- This is a continuation of work already begun in 2010 on the SHARP document as a whole.
- This is critical to design and environmental analysis (NEPA) and construction of these trails.
- Outstanding trail-alignment studies could be completed this summer.
- INF can provide technical help with this process and help to avoid resource impacts, etc.
- Everything in 220 is a trail-alignment study; call each project simply "SHARP Trails" or "Lakes Basin Trails," etc.

222 Lakes Basin Trails Technical Committee

CONSENSUS: MOVE THIS FORWARD.

Similar to project 221.

223 Shady Rest/Inyo Craters Trails Technical Comm.

CONSENSUS: HOLD.

- Similar to project 221.
- This is linked to the collaborative planning for this area (project 121)

231 SHARP Trails Project Design

CONSENSUS: Combine with project #221.

232 Lakes Basin Trails Project Design

CONSENSUS: Combine with project #222.

233 Shady Rest/Inyo Craters Trails Project Design

CONSENSUS: HOLD.

311 SHARP Trails Environmental Analysis

CONSENSUS: Move forward.

312 Lakes Basin Trails Environmental Analysis

CONSENSUS: Move forward

313 Shady Rest/Inyo Craters Trails Enviro Analysis

CONSENSUS: Hold.

471 MLTS Interpretive Program

CONSENSUS: Move forward 481 MLTS Trail Patrol CONSENSUS: Hold

513 Facility Maintenance (Other)

CONSENSUS: Move forward

611 MLTS Adopt A Trail Program

CONSENSUS: Merge this program with programs 511 and 512

See notes on program 512.

711 MLTS Marketing and Publicity

CONSENSUS: More information is needed vis-a-vis relationship to MLT and how info on the MLTS is provided to MLT, as well as how sponsorship opportunities can be incorporated.

721 MLTS Partnership Program

CONSENSUS: More information is needed.

BUCKET 3

131 Biathlon

CONSENSUS: No for coming fiscal year.

BUCKET 4: "Ongoing Projects"

Further definition of this bucket: None

211 MLTS Standards Manual Updates

CONSENSUS: THIS WILL BE DONE ON AN AS-NEEDED BASIS.

- This may or may not require annual updating
- This project is currently in progress between the Town and MLTPA
- It will be known prior to an upcoming fiscal year whether or not updates will be needed.

321 Sherwins Winter Egress Program

CONSENSUS: THIS PROJECT WILL STAY IN THE BUCKET AS AN ANNUAL EXPENDITURE.

- The draft of this program has been delivered to the TOML by MLTPA.
- Each landowning agency places its signs; this program covers coordination of the overall program and partnership.

421 MLTS Coordinating Committee

CONSENSUS: THIS RELATES BACK TO PROJECT #411.

422 MLTS Annual Budget Coordination

CONSENSUS: THIS PROJECT SHOULD BE ROLLED UP INTO PROJECT #421.

431 Mammoth Trails

CONSENSUS: THIS PROGRAM SHOULD CONTINUE INTO THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR.

This project can be revisited more specifically in the future.

441 MLTS Grants

CONSENSUS: MOVE FORWARD WITH THIS PROJECT.

- The Town and INF should continue to be engaged in a real partnership about this.
- o Policy discussions to define this project will be needed.

442 MLTS Fundraising

CONSENSUS: MOVE FORWARD WITH THIS PROJECT

o Policy discussions to define this project will be needed.

451 MLTS Website Operations + Maint

CONSENSUS: THIS PROGRAM SHOULD BE FUNDED IN THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR; ADDITIONAL DISCUSSION IS NEEDED.

- Site to be launched last week of June (goal)
 - Fully in Town's hands by mid-July
 - Launch content to be defined May 31 in meeting between TOML, MLTPA, and INF
- Additional content added to live site
 - MLTPA has submitted a Measure R application to fund this
- MOU with INF will begin being developed on May 31 in meeting between TOML, MLTPA, and INF
- Precise costs for maintenance have yet to be determined.
- MLTS CC has requested written summary of launch and additional content from MLTPA for June 7 meeting

461 MLTS Data Library

CONSENSUS: THIS PROGRAM SHOULD BE FUNDED IN THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR; ADDITIONAL DISCUSSION IS NEEDED.

- Collection and maintenance of GIS and other data related to the MLTS
 - Most data has been collected under current contract with MLTPA, but some ongoing maintenance, updates, special projects, and agency coordination will be needed.
- Agency sharing protocols are already in place with MLTPA; data is owned by the TOML and is cleared through Nate Greenberg, but where it ultimately lives is TBD.
- At May 31 meeting with TOML and MLTPA it will be determined what is needed to close out this current contract.

472 FOI SOS Program

CONSENSUS: THIS PROGRAM SHOULD BE FUNDED IN THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR; ADDITIONAL CLARIFICATION AND DESCRIPTION IS NEEDED.

- This is distinct from the SOS Trail Days weekend volunteer stewardship events and constitutes FOI's ongoing summer Lakes Basin Stewards program.
- MLTPA will create a project synopsis for this project and clarify scope.

491 MLTS Photo and Image Library

CONSENSUS: THIS PROGRAM SHOULD BE FUNDED IN THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR; ADDITIONAL DISCUSSION IS NEEDED.

Stems from MLTPA's current contract, which will deliver:

Archive of images

Currently delivered to TOML as JPGs Desire to have TOML develop capacity to manage raw image files

- Management system of library
- Continuing gap filling of images where necessary
- Intellectual-property agreements still outstanding; these would cover use of third-party (i.e., non-Town-owned) images and sharing with third parties such as MLT, INF, etc.

511 Soft Surface Trail Maintenance

CONSENSUS: MOVE FORWARD WITH THIS PROGRAM.

- This is the "Trail Days" weekend volunteer stewardship days of the Summer of Stewardship program.
 - "Routine annual maintenance" is how the INF refers to this level of work. They do heavier maintenance with their own staff as needed.
 - INF model is to work with community partners who provide volunteers and can facilitate this assistance. With FOI, there is a master agreement that covers liability, etc.
- o This is overlapped with the Lakes Basin Stewards program of FOI.
- If this type of work is contracted out from the TOML, a separate agreement must be made between that party and the INF and also may negatively impact/weaken community commitment.

512 Multi Use Path Maintenance

CONSENSUS: MOVE FORWARD WITH THIS PROGRAM, THOUGH MORE DISCUSSION IS NEEDED.

- This program is not yet in place.
- These are TOML facilities, some of which are under permit.
- This may follow the program model of project 511 and also can tie into the Adopt-a-Trail program.
 - Adopt-a-Trail program (project 611) may be folded into projects 511 and 512 to some degree (major repairs, such as crack sealing and sign repair, removed from this scope).

This is more regular maintenance whereas the Trail Days—style program would be specific times during the year.

There are INF regulations pertaining to Adopt-a-Trail programming that would need to be explored.

731 Print and Web-Based Maps/Guides

CONSENSUS: MOVE THIS PROJECT FORWARD.

- Reproduction of summer use map (tear-off) is currently out of stock at the Welcome Center
 - INF has represented that they have existing grant money that can fund this reproduction of winter-use map. Money must be spent by September 1, 2012.
 - There is a \$4,000 match associated with this grant.

- The INF can partner and pass through this funding to complete this project.
- May be able to do some work on the summer map at the same time.
- Most work can be done in-house with existing partner (MLTPA) and then delivered to brochure production company for printing.
- INF has suggested using the MLTS maps as produced for the ARRA-funded MLTS signage implemented over the last couple of years
 - Will require some graphic-design time
 - If this route is pursued, maps should be able to be produced in time for distribution for the second half of the summer
- Desire to circulate new maps to community for feedback, specifically the motorized community
 - Mammoth Trails may be an appropriate forum
- MLTS website has robust mapping program built in; MLTPA can share this with the committee if so desired.
 - Can be repurposed for print maps
- Website portion of this project can be rolled into the MLTS Website Operations and Maintenance project (#451).

741 Annual Lakes Basin Path - Season Opener CONSENSUS: MOVE THIS PROJECT FORWARD WITH FURTHER DISCUSSION.

 Perhaps change this to the MLTS Season Opener to encompass more than one facility.

Mammoth Trails Charter FINAL DRAFT April 9, 2008

Purpose

Mammoth Trails is a collaborative effort to effectively and inclusively create and enhance recreation for our community.

Mission

Mammoth Trails inspires and creates exceptional recreation experiences.

Scope

Mammoth Trails embraces people and activities that range from moderate to extreme, local to international, and novice to elite.

Mammoth Trails engages groups, agencies and enterprises to fulfill its purpose and mission.

Mammoth Trails' resources are based in Mammoth Lakes and used throughout the region to support and encourage recreation.

Participation Criteria

Mammoth Trails participants are structured, sports and recreation-based organizations willing to share resources and engage collaboratively. Participants actively contribute effort and expertise and abide by, respect and commit to the Mammoth Trails Charter.

The Town of Mammoth Lakes is represented at Mammoth Trails. The U.S. Forest Service and other agencies are invited as appropriate and at the discretion of Mammoth Trails.

Operating Principles

Roles

Mammoth Trails and Public Access (MLTPA) Foundation convenes and facilitates meetings, provides staff support and resources for Mammoth Trails, but has no organizational authority over the group. The Town of Mammoth Lakes acts in an advisory and resource capacity. Both MLTPA and the Town of Mammoth Lakes participate in discussions, but neither are parties to consensus decisions. Participants represent the best interests of their individual organizations but ultimately sit at the table in the spirit of collaboration and cooperation.

MLTPA, as the convener and provider of staff support, also serves as the meeting Chair. Mammoth Trails may choose to select a Chair using some other methodology in the future, for example on an annual rotational basis, if desired.

Mammoth Trails acts as an advisory body to MLTPA and all participating organizations. Task forces or subcommittees may be appointed to provide technical expertise on specific issues of interest to Mammoth Trails.

Making Decisions

Decisions are made by consensus. Consensus means the group is comfortable with a direction and mutually agrees to move the issue forward.

Code of Conduct

Mammoth Trails expects all participants to abide by the following Code of Conduct:

- 1. <u>Teamwork:</u> Participants work together in a collaborative manner and stand behind the group decision.
- 2. Accountability: Participants keep and deliver on commitments.
- 3. Respect: Participants respect each other and value individuality.
- 4. <u>Collaboration:</u> Participants share information, support, effort and other resources, and work together with an open mind.
- 5. Recreation: Have fun! Go outside!

Values

Mammoth Trails is:

- Inspirational
- Representative of diverse needs and views
- A voice for the community to shape the future of recreation
- A leader in the community for recreation activities

Mammoth Trails demonstrates:

- Equality and inclusiveness
- Cooperation and collaboration
- Effectiveness and Efficiency
- Recreation expertise
- A high standard of recreation ethics
- Respect for the natural environment

Charter Updates

The Mammoth Trails Charter is contingent upon the availability of resources and the status of the organizing entities. Therefore, should the status of MLTPA or the Town of Mammoth Lakes change, the Charter should be revisited and updated as necessary.