

The “Department Head Reports” from DOT for the 21 May 2024 meeting are listed below:

- Road crews were busy mowing road shoulders, fixing plugged culverts and removing leftover debris from past storms throughout the county, including roads that are on the “No Plow” list.
- At the request of the USFS, through the Good Neighbor Agreement (GNA), road crews installed the temporary “Baily Bridge” on Summer Home Road in Forest Glen.
- Road crews are busy preparing approximately 15 miles of county roads for Chip Seal, which is planned from 28 May to 14 June 2024, as shown in the attached list.
- Staff completed the bid documents for Trinity Dam Blvd. storm damage repair, and the project is out to bid. With construction later on in the summer.
- Staff received two bids to upgrade a section of fence at the Trinity Center Airport, as recommended by Caltrans Aeronautics to improve both safety and security for the airport. The low bidder was Humboldt Fence Company, from Fortuna, CA for \$22,845.
- A governor’s disaster proclamation has been issued for the 2024 March storm damages. Ruth Zenia Road has multiple new damaged locations on the “on-system” segment of road between Van Duzen Road and the community of Zenia. Some of the damages are new and some are repeat failures at 2023 damage sites which had temporary repairs from last summer. Staff predicts that much costlier (and time consuming) repairs are required to stabilize the roadway at several of these locations.
- The most significant damage on Ruth Zenia Road is at post mile 18.75, which has multiple failures for approximately 800 feet. *Typical damage photos are attached.* It appears that the road is traversing a landslide that continues uphill and downhill from the roadway for several hundred feet. Currently, the road is barely passable with one lane traffic control. If the damage worsens, the road will likely become completely impassible. Failure of the remaining road would result in 4-5-hour detour for residents of the area, and potentially delay emergency responders by 4-5 hours. The department has made this location the highest priority, and our retainer engineering firm is assisting with evaluation and design options for repair. Field conditions including soil information was collected, along with a drone lidar topographic survey

completed. Once the field data has been evaluated we can then proceed with repair alternatives, and the correct course of action.

- The storm damage at post mile 13.0 on Mad River Road has resulted in closure of the southbound lane. This damage occurred in February, and a Governors proclamation has not yet been issued for this damage. Our retainer engineering firm surveyed the site, and collected the required soils information. Once the field data has been evaluated we can then proceed with repair alternatives, and the correct course of action.
- As a recipient of Transit Development Act (TDA) Funds, the Trinity County Transportation Commission (TCTC) is required to administer the Unmet Transit Needs process each year. A public hearing is scheduled on May 21, 2024 at the TCTC meeting to solicit comments from the public on unmet transit needs. Notice of the public hearing was advertised twice in the Trinity Journal, in Trinity Transit buses, and on the Trinity Transit Facebook and TCTC website.
- Staff is preparing the final FY 24/25 Overall Work Program (OWP). The OWP describes the budget, allocation, and use of federal and state transportation planning funds in Trinity County for each fiscal year. The final OWP is scheduled for approval at the June 4, 2024 TCTC meeting.
- Staff is preparing applications for the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5311, 5311(f), and 5339(a) programs. These funds provide capital and operating assistance to support public transportation in rural areas with populations of less than 50,000, where many residents often rely on public transit to reach their destinations. The deadline for all applications is May 30, 2024.
- TCTC had a successful FY 24/25 Rural Planning Assistance (RPA) Discretionary grant application for the Trinity County Short Range Transit Development Plan (SRTDP) and Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan. The award includes \$106,236 in grant funds and \$13,764 in-kind local match, for a total of \$120,000. The goals of this project are to identify the existing and future regional transit needs for Trinity County, guide Trinity Transit's future growth, and provide guidance for planning and funding operational and capital needs for Trinity Transit.
- Mark Pole was hired as a part-time Transit Driver starting in early June.

If you have any questions please let me know.

**TRINITY COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION CHIP
SEAL PROGRAM F/Y 23/24**

		Start	End	
ROAD NAME	ROAD	Mile	Mile	TOTAL
Eagle Cr. Lp.	135	0.00	1.00	1.00
Deadwood	211	0.00	0.50	0.50
Lew Trnpk	212	0.00	0.50	0.50
MT. View	142	0.00	0.26	0.26
Blanchard Flat	337	0.00	1.60	1.60
B Bar K	334	0.00	2.00	2.00
Coon Cr.	462	0.00	0.20	0.20
Flame tree	461	0.00	0.20	0.20
Denny Rd	402	0.00	1.00	1.00
South Fork	447	0.00	1.00	1.00
Demos	356	0.00	0.30	0.30
Guy Covington	160	0.60	1.50	1.80
Lake Forest	181	0.00	1.00	2.00
Zenia Lake	503	12.00	13.00	2.00
TOTALS				15.0



Ruth Zenia Road, late March road damage one of many locations at about Post Mile 18.75



Only 7 ft-6 inches road remaining of the typical 12 ft wide lane



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Typical depth of failures at above site



Extensive road damage



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