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NDOT Director's Presentation

Tracy Larkin-Thomason, P.E.
Director



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Introduction

Department Overview

- Number of FTEs: **1,951** plus temporary/seasonal
- Major Divisions
 - Administration & Planning
 - Project Delivery & Engineering
 - Operations & Maintenance
- Number of Maintenance Districts: 3
 - With 3 major subdistricts

STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM

- Bridges: 1,246
- Lane Miles: 13,532
- **14%** of all Nevada roads
- **51%** of all vehicle traffic
- **72%** of all heavy truck traffic



NDOT Leadership



Director
Tracy Larkin Thomason



Deputy Director of
Administration
Sondra Rosenberg



Deputy Director, Operations
& Maintenance
Mario Gomez



Deputy Director of Project
Delivery & Engineering
Sajid Sulhria



Assistant Director,
Administration
Felicia Denney



Assistant Director,
Engineering
Scott Hein



Chief of Communications
Joe Harrington



Assistant Director,
Planning
Rebecca Kapular



Assistant Director,
Operations
Jae Pullen



District I Engineer
Martin Strganac



District II Engineer
Bhupinder "Bhu"
Sandu



District III Engineer
Sami Yosef

Nevada Highway Fund Revenue Sources – FY 2023

\$1.29B STATE HIGHWAY FUND REVENUE – FY 23

Motor Vehicle Fees & Taxes - \$201M

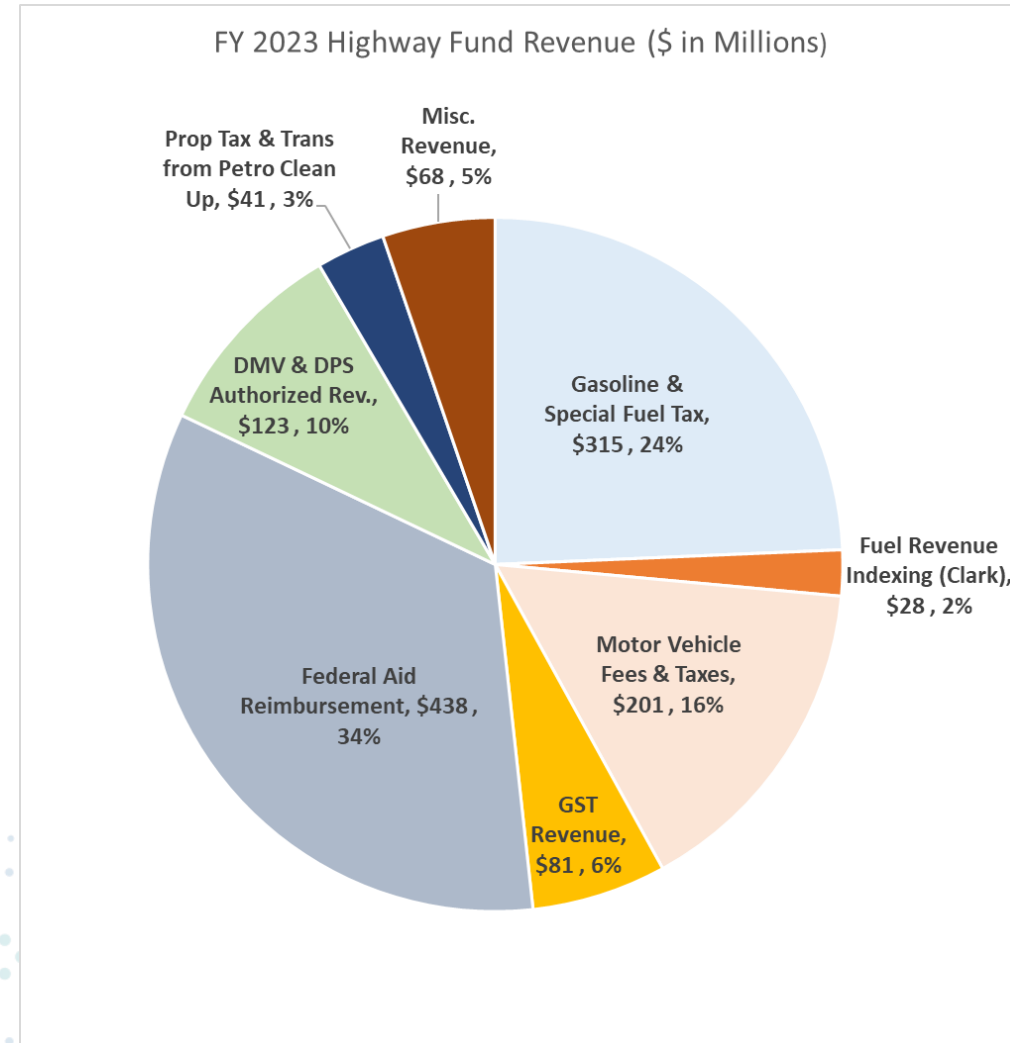
- \$132.6M - Registration and Bicycle Safety Fees
- \$45.6M - Motor Carrier Fees
- \$22.9M - Driver's License Fees

Misc Revenue - \$68M

- \$22.9M - Appropriations from Other Funds
- \$12.8M - Interest
- \$12.0M - Cooperative Construction Reimb.
- \$20.3M - Other Misc Revenue

Bonds

NDOT also funds projects via the sale of Highway Revenue Bonds



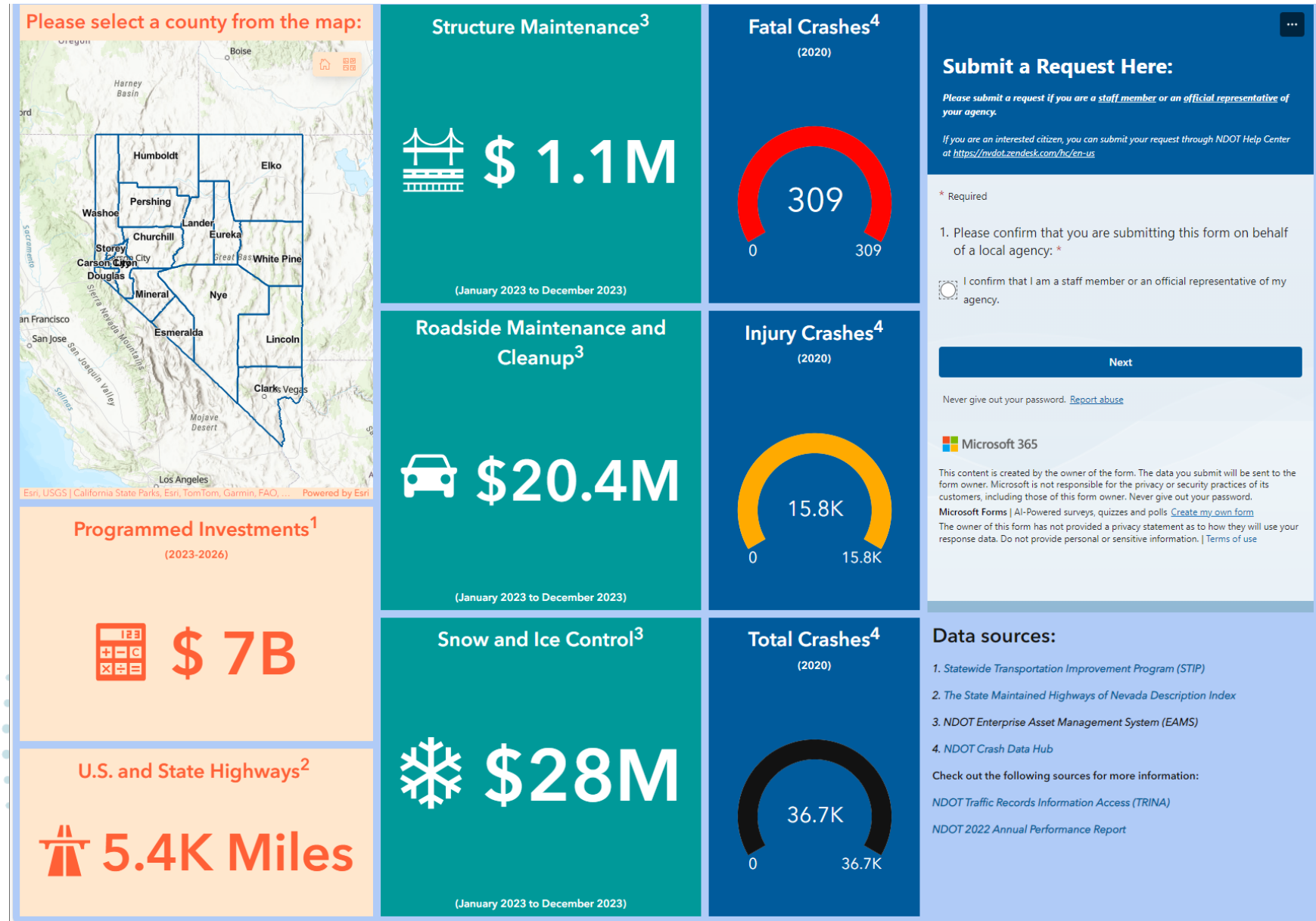
Rural County Engagement

Engagement Process



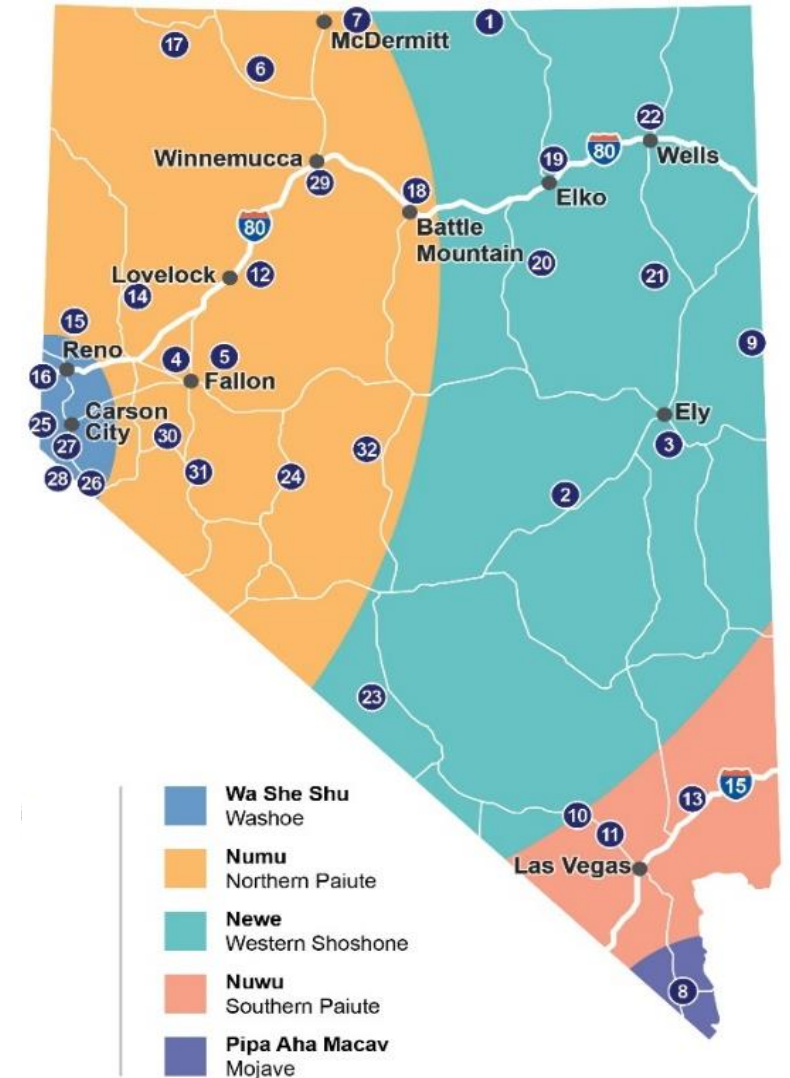
County Resources – Online Dashboard

Find more
information on
our Local Agency
Communication
Tool!



Tribal Engagement

- Tribal Best Practices
- Tribal Consultation Website & Resources
- Tribal Consultation Training for staff
- Hired a Tribal Liaison
- NDOT will begin formalized consultation and engagement with Tribes this fall.



Programs

Local Road Safety Plans

- NDOT to make consultant support available to aid in preparing safety plans
- Cities and counties may apply
- Program funded for next 4 years
- Strategies, activities, and projects :
 - Consistent with Strategic Highway Safety Plan
 - Correct or improve a hazard
 - Address a safety problem



Critical Success Factors

- Plan Champion
- Clear vision and mission
- Collaborative partnerships
- Allocating resources to the planning process
- Open communication

What is TAP (Transportation Alternatives Program)?

- Funds smaller-scale, nontraditional, community-based transportation projects:
 - Pedestrian and bicycle facilities
 - Traffic calming, lighting, and safety
 - ADA improvements
 - Historic preservation (transportation)
 - Safe Routes to School
- Eligible applicants: local governments, transit agencies, school districts, tribal governments, MPOs, nonprofits



**TAP funds Planning,
Non-Infrastructure, and
Infrastructure Projects**

Highly Ranked Rural Projects

Planning

- Humboldt-Rubies Trail (Elko County)
- Tahoe-Pyramid Trail East (Tahoe Pyramid Trail)
- U.S. 50 Spooner Summit Wildlife and Trail Crossing (TRT)

Infrastructure

- Spring Creek Multi-Use Path (Elko County)
- Auction Road Improvements (City of Fallon)
- Campton Street Improvement Project (City of Ely)

What's Next

- Highly ranked applicants will complete agreements and initiate projects
- Next call for projects in 2027
- Continuing to refine application process and materials based on agency feedback



NDOT Passing and Climbing Lane Study



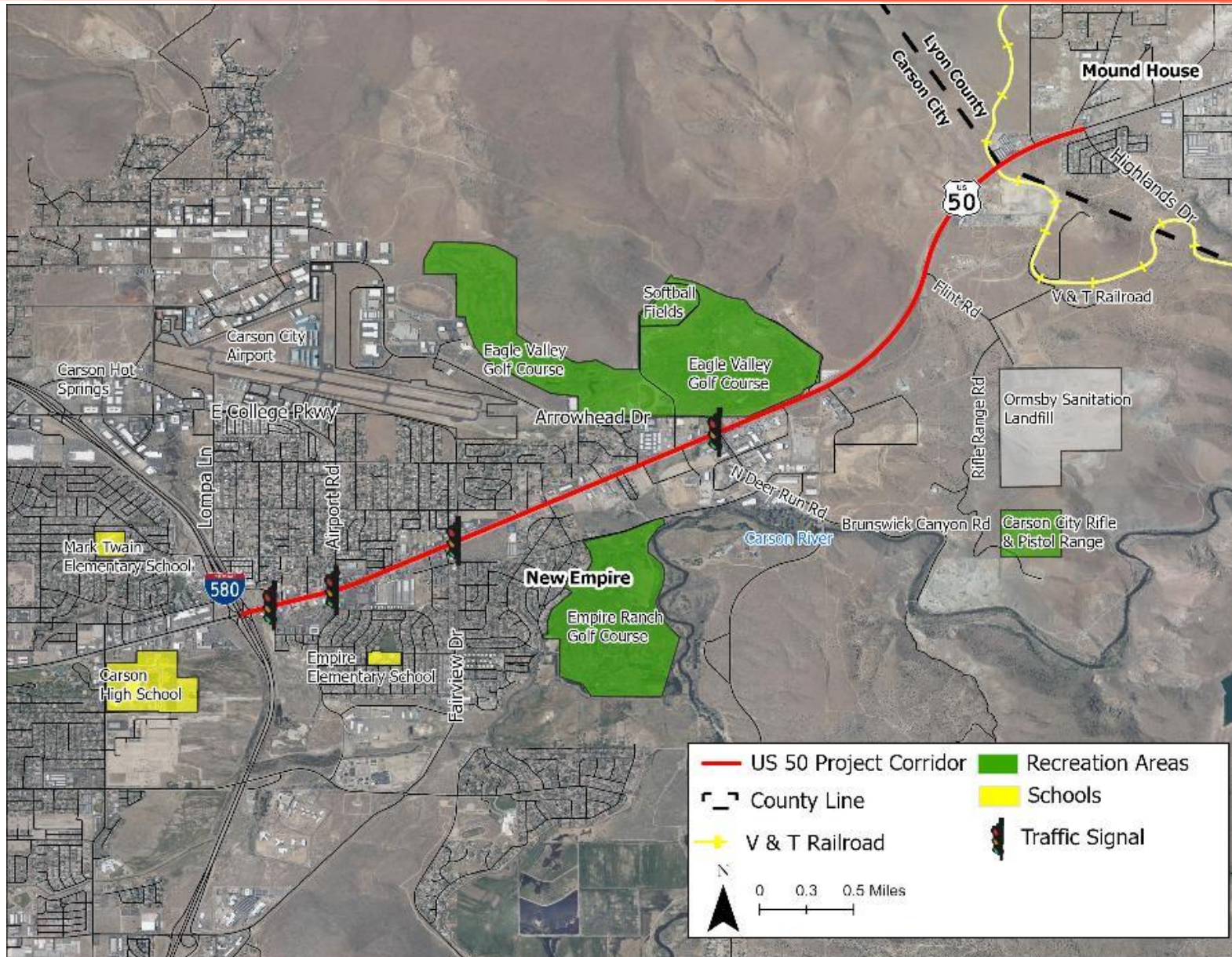
Sample Projects

Ely Downtown Improvement Project, Phase 2



- Reconstruct Aultman Street
 - First Street to Bell Avenue*
 - 10th Street to 15th Street*
 - Pavement Rehabilitation
 - Drainage/Water/Sewer Upgrades
- Complete Streets for Improved Mobility
 - Two-Way Left Turn Lane
 - Bicycle Lanes
 - Upgraded Sidewalks/Business Access
 - Aesthetic Lighting/Tree Installations-
- \$48M - \$50M Construction Cost

US 50 East Study Area – Carson



Key Recommendations



■ Roadway Segments

- ✓ Curb & gutter
- ✓ High visibility striping, signage
- ✓ Lighting
- ✓ Sidewalk & multiuse path connectivity

■ Signalized Intersections

- ✓ Improved signal coordination
- ✓ Improved signal visibility
- ✓ Safety improvements (protective phasing, improved ped crossing)

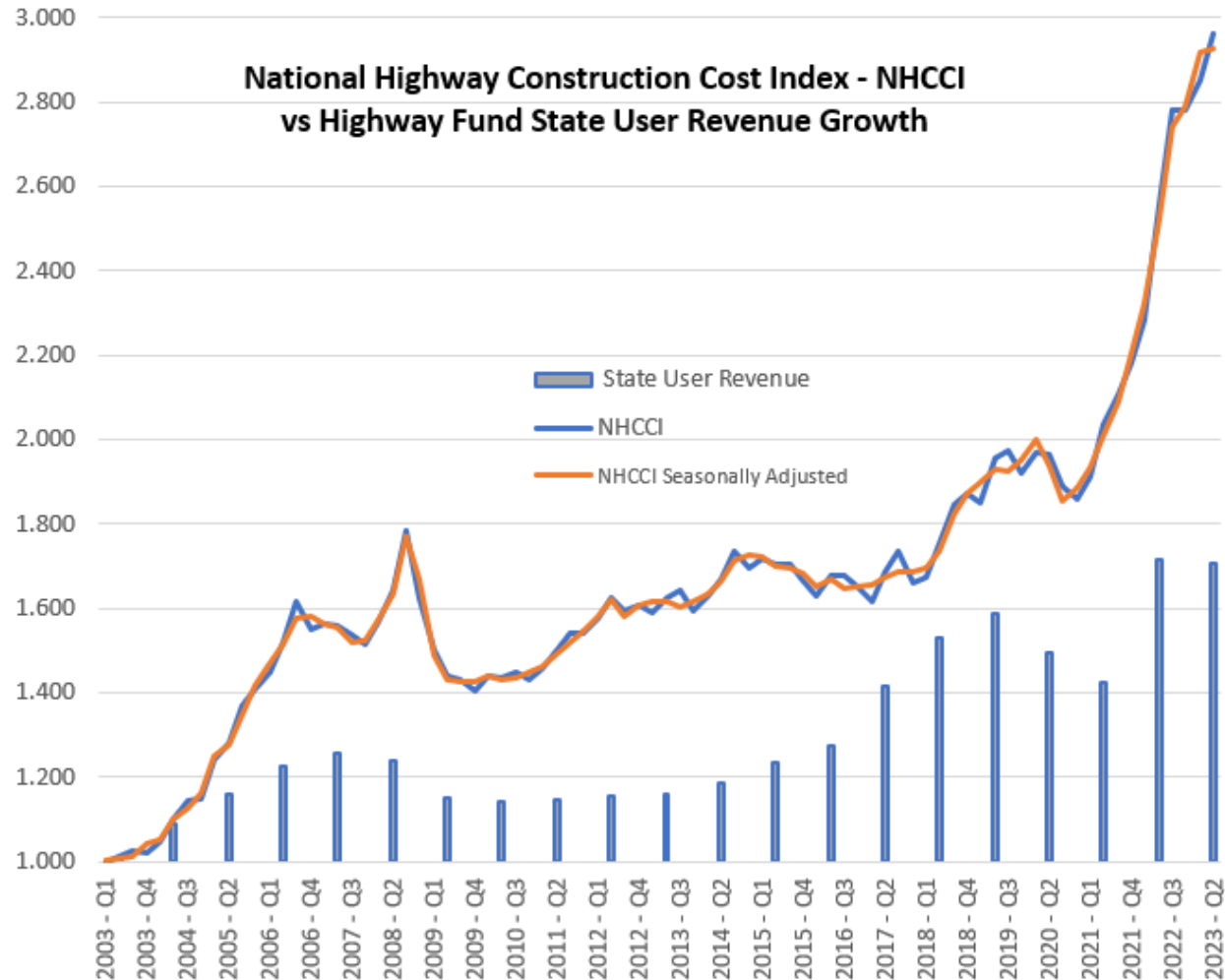


Red Rock Legacy Trail – Southern Nevada



Challenges

Inflation Outpaces Revenue Growth

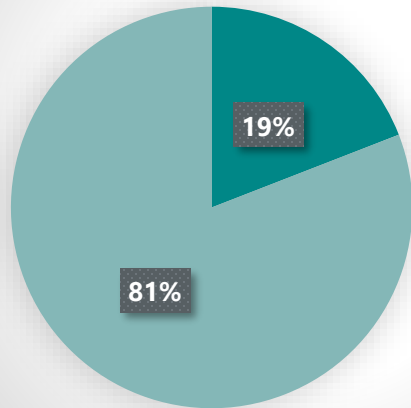


State User Revenues Include: Gas & Special Fuel Tax including Fuel Revenue Indexing, Registration, Commercial Carrier, Drivers License, and Governmental Services Taxes to the State Highway Fund.

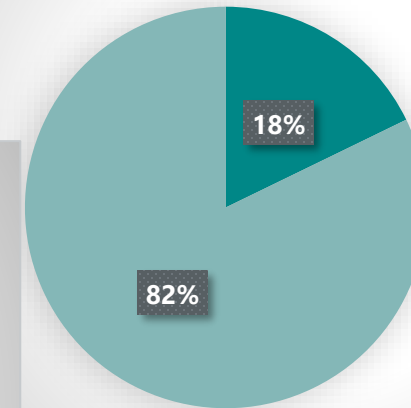
Source for NHCCI: FHWA, <https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/policy/otps/nhcci/>
Calendar Year Data
2023 Q2 is most recent statistic available (2/27/24)

Vacancies

District 1

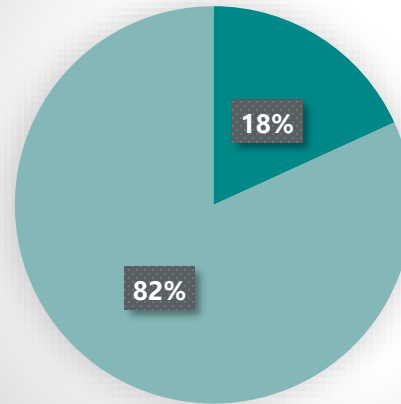


District 2



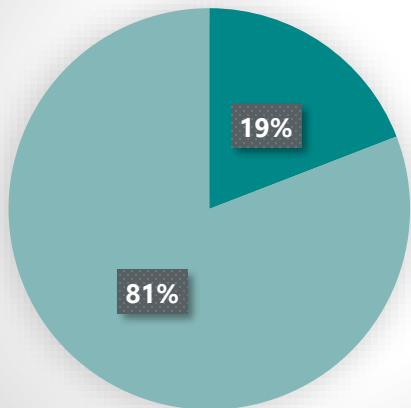
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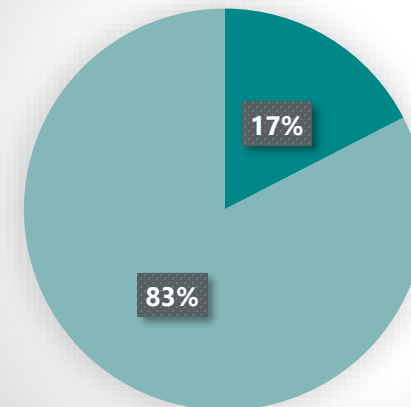
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District 3



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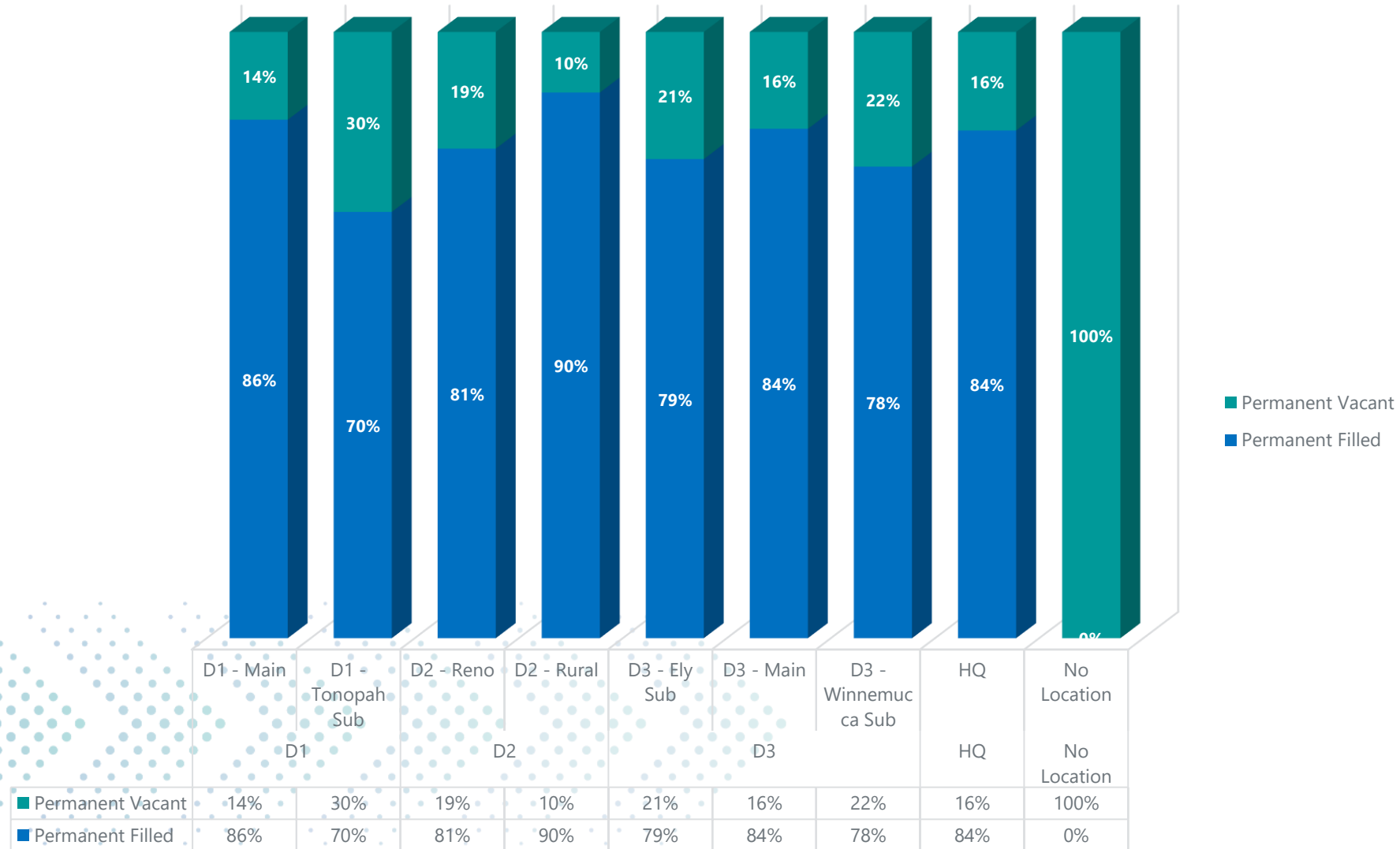
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Vacancies

% SUB-DISTRICT POSITION VACANCIES



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Thank you!



Biography – Director of Nevada Department of Transportation

Tracy Larkin Thomason was appointed in January as the Director of the Nevada Department of Transportation by the Transportation Board of Directors. Retiring in 2021 as Deputy Director, Director Larkin Thomason brings over 30 years of extensive knowledge of the Department of Transportation's operations through administration, management, and technical roles throughout the agency.

Tracy also brings a national perspective and has a deep understanding of the federal funding process as well as proven leadership capability. For the past two years, Tracy has been working for the Intelligent Transportation Society of America (ITSA), developing a national non-profit organization program department, and initiating a growing statewide smart and connected infrastructure applications. She is a transportation innovator, applying her unique and diverse experience in visionary leadership, industry collaboration, and strategic planning to advance a future transportation network that benefits all.

Tracy received her MBA and her B.S. in Civil Engineering from the University of Nevada, Reno. She is a Certified Public Manager, a Professional Traffic Operations Engineer, and holds a license as a Registered Professional Engineer in Nevada.

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Biography – Nevada State Controller

Andy Matthews took office as Nevada's 23rd state Controller on Jan. 2, 2023.

Prior to his election as Controller, Andy spent his professional career in the public-policy arena as an advocate for fiscal responsibility, individual liberty, and accountable, transparent government.

From 2011-2015, Andy served as President of the Nevada Policy Research Institute, a think tank that promotes market-oriented reforms and solutions to Nevada's public-policy challenges. Among the organization's priority areas during Andy's tenure were the promotion of responsible tax and budgetary policies, choice-based education reforms, and enhanced citizen access to information on government spending.

From 2020-2022, Andy represented Assembly District 37 in the Nevada Legislature. He served on the Assembly committees on Government Affairs, Health and Human Services, and Legislative Operations and Elections. During the 2021 Legislative Session, Andy introduced several bills designed to increase government efficiency, accountability, and transparency.

For his work during the 2021 Session, Andy was named the Policy Champion of the Year by the Nevada chapter of Americans for Prosperity, and he was the Nevada Assembly's recipient of the Guardian of Small Business Award from the National Federation of Independent Business.

In addition to serving the people of Nevada, Andy's passions include travel, the acoustic guitar, exercise, classic movies, baseball, cigars, and studying American and world history.

A native of Massachusetts and a graduate of Boston University, Andy has lived in Nevada since 2006. He and his wife, Valerie, live in Las Vegas.