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AB 364

BILL DRAFT REQUEST

TITLE: NEVADA TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT FUNDING

BACKGROUND:

Rapid growth has occurred in our state over the last ten years. This tremendous growth has created many new transportation challenges that must be overcome in the coming years to maintain the quality of life that makes Nevada an attractive place to live and work. While we are using impact fees to address the impacts of new growth and taking every advantage of available Federal and State Gas Tax revenues to build solutions, we do not have the funds needed to mitigate the impact of growing traffic volumes on existing local residents. Examples of this impact can be found in both Southern and Northern Nevada. One only needs to look at the unprotected residents along McCarran Boulevard to understand the impact this increased traffic volume is having on existing communities. While Nevada's transportation system continues to grow to meet ever-increasing demands, the quality of life impacts on existing neighborhoods also continues to grow. Today, we do not have a funding system to allow for the mitigation of these impacts along existing facilities. Many roads and streets lack the essential sound walls, pedestrian improvements and landscaping that are urgently needed to stem this growing tide of impact upon our existing neighborhoods. Nevada's Cities and Counties need a new funding source to be used to restore the livability of Nevada's Neighborhoods that are adjacent to high volume roadways. We propose a ($\frac{1}{2}$ or 1) cent increase in the fuel tax collected in Nevada to be used for the construction of sound walls, pedestrian improvements and landscaping within Nevada's Cities and Counties.

FORMULA:

The funding will be allocated to each City and County in the State based upon population of the jurisdiction. (TABLE & ANALYSIS ATTACHED).

USE OF FUNDS:

Funding under this provision would be limited to the construction of capital improvements that mitigate the effects of high volume traffic on existing developed areas. The use of the funds is limited to the construction of sound walls, pedestrian improvements including sidewalks, accessibility improvements, crossing aids, traffic calming devices, landscaping improvements within the roadway right of way, or lighting improvements. The funds may be used within any City, County, or by agreement within a State Right of Way. The funds may only be used in developed areas where residential land users abut the existing right of way or are within 300 feet of the right of way. The funds may not be used in the construction of new roadways in undeveloped areas. The funds may only be used on roadways with an Average Daily Traffic Volume greater than 3,000 vehicles per day.

1¢ Per Gallon Fuel Tax Yield

Population-Based Allocation

Counties: (Total Population)	Cities/Unincorporated Areas: (Population Breakdown)	% of Total	Proposed Allocation
Carson City 54,171	Unincorporated 54,171	.0254025	\$ 244,625
Churchill 24,928	Fallon 8,162	.0038274	\$ 36,860
	Unincorporated 16,766	.0078621	\$ 75,710
Clark 1,485,855	Boulder City 14,760	.0069214	\$ 66,655
	Henderson 196,780	.0922767	\$ 888,625
	Las Vegas 503,188	.2359616	\$ 2,272,310
	Mesquite 11,940	.005599	\$ 53,920
	North Las Vegas 127,897	.0599751	\$ 577,560
	Unincorporated 631,290	.2960329	\$ 2,850,800
Douglas 43,450	Unincorporated 43,450	.0203751	\$ 196,215
Elko 46,668	Carlin 2,215	.0010386	\$ 10,000
	Elko 17,093	.0080154	\$ 77,190
	Wells 1,191	.0005584	\$ 5,380
	West Wendover 4,614	.0021636	\$ 20,835
	Unincorporated 21,555	.0101078	\$ 97,340
Esmeralda 1,038	Unincorporated 1,038	.0004867	\$ 4,690
Eureka 1,506	Unincorporated 1,506	.0007062	\$ 6,800
Humboldt 16,164	Winnemucca 7,001	.003283	\$ 31,615
	Unincorporated 9,163	.0042968	\$ 41,380
Lander 5,761	Unincorporated 5,761	.0027015	\$ 26,015
Lincoln 3,861	Caliente 1,276	.0005983	\$ 5,760
	Unincorporated 2,585	.0012121	\$ 11,675
Lyon 37,329	Yerington 2,889	.0013547	\$ 13,045
	Fernley 9,529	.0044684	\$ 43,030
	Unincorporated 24,911	.0116815	\$ 112,495
Mineral 4,743	Unincorporated 4,743	.0022241	\$ 21,420
Nye 34,384	Unincorporated 34,384	.0161238	\$ 155,270
Pershing 6,873	Lovelock 2,144	.0010053	\$ 9,680
	Unincorporated 4,729	.0022175	\$ 21,355
Storey 3,714	Unincorporated 3,714	.0017416	\$ 16,775
Washoe 353,271	Reno 186,883	.0876356	\$ 843,930
	Sparks 71,753	.0336473	\$ 324,025
	Unincorporated 94,635	.0443775	\$ 427,355
White Pine 8,783	Ely 3,695	.0017327	\$ 16,685
	Unincorporated 5,088	.0023859	\$ 22,975
Total Population: 2,132,499 (2001 Census Figures Per NDOT)	Total Tax Yield Based on 1¢ per Gallon: \$ 9,630,000 (Statewide Usage: 963,000,000 Gallons Per NDOT)		