

#### TOURISM DEVELOPMENT MEETING

Date: Tuesday, Sept.27, 2022 Estimated Time: 2 -3:15 pm Location: Virtual Zoom Meeting

#### **NLTRA Mission**

North Lake Tahoe Resort Association (NLTRA) promotes and manages visitation and collaborates to achieve economic health, community vitality, and environmental sustainability to benefit our residents, businesses and visitors.

#### **Committee Members:**

Chair: Carlynne Fajkos, Tahome Marketing | Vice Chair: Becky Moore, Granite Peak Management
Adam Wilson, Northstar California | Brit Crezee, Sotheby's International Realty

Caroline Craffey, Tahoe Truckee Community Foundation | Christine Horvath, Palisades Tahoe | Connor McCarthy, Homewood Ski Resort

Kressa Olguin, Hyatt Regency | Kristy Olk, Resort at Squaw Creek | Melissa Burin, The Ritz-Carlton, Lake Tahoe

Vinton Hawkins, MJD Capital Partners/The Boatworks at Lake Tahoe |

Wendy Hummer, EXL Media

Advisory Placer County Member: **Stephanie Holloway**North Lake Tahoe Resort Association Board Member: **Ray Villaman** 

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#### **AGENDA**

Estimated time	2:										
2:00 p.m.	1.	Call to Order – Establish Quorum									
2:05 p.m.	2.	Public Forum-Any person wishing to address the Board of Directors on items of interest to the Board not listed on the agenda may do so at this time. It is requested that comments be limited to three minutes since no action may be taken by the Board on items addressed under Public Forum.									
2:10 p.m.	3.	Agenda Amendments and Approval									
2:15 p.m.	4.	Approval of Tourism Development Meeting Minutes from Aug 30, 2022 Page 1									
2:20 p.m	5.	Winter Media Recommendations & Direction – Augustine Agency Page 4									
2:50 p.m.	6.	Tourism Development Application Process and Timeline – Kirstin Guinn									
	7.	Departmental Reports (The following reports are provided on nltra.org monthly and can be									

pulled for discussion by any committee members.) Click here for reports

- Conference Sales
- Leisure Sales
- Marketing Augustine Agency
- Reno Tahoe Airport Reports
- 8. Standing Reports (located on nltra.org; <a href="here">here</a>)
  - Destimetrics Report
  - Conference Activity Report
  - Lodging Referral Report
- **3:00 p.m.** 9. Committee Member Comments
- **3:15 p.m.** 10 Adjournment

This meeting is wheelchair accessible

Posted online at www.nltra.org



# Tourism Development Meeting Draft - Meeting Minutes - Tuesday Aug 30, 2022

The Tourism Development Meeting was held via Zoom video conferencing.

Committee Members that joined via teleconference: Chair: Carlynne Fajkos, Vice Chair: Becky Moore, Brit Creeze, Caroline Craffey, Christine Horvath, Connor McCarthy, Kressa Olguin, Vinton Hawkins,

**NLTRA Board Member: Ray Villaman** 

Staff in attendance: Tony Karwowski, Kimberly Brown, Francois Cazalot, Andy Chapman

Others in attendance: Cathy Nanadiego, Lindsay Moore, Steph Straw, Taylor Eck, Yulianna Cisneros

- 1. Meeting called to order at 2:02pm and a quorum was established.
- 2. Public Forum No public forum
- 3. Agenda Amendments and Approval Motion to approve the agenda as presented CREEZE/MOORE/UNANIMOUS
- 4. Approval of Tourism Development Meeting Minutes from May 24, 2024

  Motion to approve the meeting minutes from May 24, 2022 MCCARTHY/CRAFFEY/UNANIMOUS
- NLTRA Updates

Karwowski gave a brief staffing update and welcomed new staff, Kimberly Brown and Francois Cazalot. Kirstin Guinn starts on Tuesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>. The Director of Business and Community Relations is a new position and Karwowski gave a brief description of what vertical that position covers. There is still an open position, Director of Destination of Destination Management. He shared they are now changing the title to Economic and Community Development Director to better fit the skillset they are looking for.

Karwowski also gave an update on the Grant Cycle timeline. An ad-hoc committee has worked with a consultant to develop biennial call for projects with a focus on grant submission, review, award and tracking. He reviewed the timeline chart with the committee members and next steps.

There was a recent Bylaw notification sent out to all members to vote on an increase in the TOT committee seats from 5-7 to 11-13 people. NLTRA will share the outcome of the ballots soon, but it is looking very favorable of passing.

#### Comments:

- Horvath questioned if there is any collaboration between existing groups like the TMA and housing groups given historical familiarity with regional challenges. Karwowski shared in our Bylaws it outlines that those organizations have seats and representation on the TOT committee. (Mountain Housing Council and TMA)
- 6. Review and Discussion of Fall, MCC and Content Campaign Augustine Agency/Cathy Nanadiego, Yulianna Cisneros and Claire Marcus

Nanadiego gave an overview of the Fall Campaign and MCC Campaign. Campaign strategies for the Fall Campaign is still similar to last year with a focus on increasing length of stay and mid-week visitation. Strategies going forward will continue to include consideration for the Omnicron/Covid and being flexible along with utilizing data from Fusion7 and Arrivalist to guide decisions. Target markets recommendations specific to fall includes Los Angeles, Phoenix, Seattle and Portland. The media tactics will continue with video, OTA's and email, Weekend Sherpa and Sustainability through social. Nanadiego shared the consumer flow-chart that starts on September 1, going through mid-November. Nanadiego shared the fall creative and what the displays ads looks like.

Nanadiego also shared the Meetings and Conventions Strategy and Tactics. Objectives are to balance media platform opportunities. Continue year-round presence among audiences and refreshing the amenities campaign creative as needed, utilizing lead-generations through Meetings Today, maintain presence through social media, utilize video in retargeting and LinkedIn efforts and continue with CVENT. Nanadiego shared the flow-chart and creative ad examples were also shown.

Cisneros with the Augustine Agency shared the Content Campaigns with the committee members. The objective is to encourage people to engage with North Lake Tahoe social channels by sharing their favorite experience and bringing more attention to the Traveler Responsibility Pledge. Cisneros shared that the participants are entered to win a 2-night stay, including dinner and a \$250 North Lake Tahoe gift card. Cisneros shared one of the reels had 44k views.

Marcus with the Augustine Agency shared the North Lake Tahoe Challenge with the committee members. The objective is to promote activities across the region during August – October 2022. (Outdoor activities, sustainable practices and town-related activities.) Participants receive a digital badge for the particular challenge they participate in and are entered to win a 2-night stay. Each month has a theme featuring a particular challenge, but participants can complete whichever challenge suits their needs.

#### Comments:

- Horvath made a comment that it may be worth looking at the need period for our lodging properties for fall being our shoulder season. Nanadiego stated they looked at longer lengths of stay and it's difficult for families as kids are back in school. Horvath asked if the lodging properties would chime in. Moore agreed the drive market is important for the fall season and recommended looking into it. She said families with younger children still come here but they see more demand from the empty nesters who are incredible flexible, and they can also stay mid-week. Hawkins with The Boatwork's Inn also stated the drive market is important to their property for the fall season and echoed Moore and Horvath's earlier comments.
- Fajkos questioned if the TART connect ads run locally. Nanadiego shared all the sustainable ads run inmarket.
- Fajkos gave compliments to the Augustine Team on their video and animation, and innovation with the content campaigns.

#### Action to Augustine Agency: Explore advertising in drive market (Bay area and Sacramento)

- 7. Update on 22.23 Event Partnership Funding Cycle NLTRA/Kimberly Brown Brown shared the NLTRA Event Strategy and highlighted the following:
  - Forum to tell our TBID story
  - Engage community about NLTRA's destination stewardship promotion
  - Promote economic vitality
  - Drive visitation during strike zones
  - Increase length of visitor's stay
  - Capitalize on events with marketing reach to target audiences

She also shared event metrics and what goes into the ROI. She asked if anyone has any feedback regarding this to please reach out to her directly via email or phone.

The Partnership Event Grant Cycle usually takes place in the fall, and this will be taken place soon. This is focused on Human Powered Sports, Culture, Culinary and Health and Wellness. Brown shared that she has received some feedback on how to streamline the process going forward.

Brown also shared the upcoming events for our region.

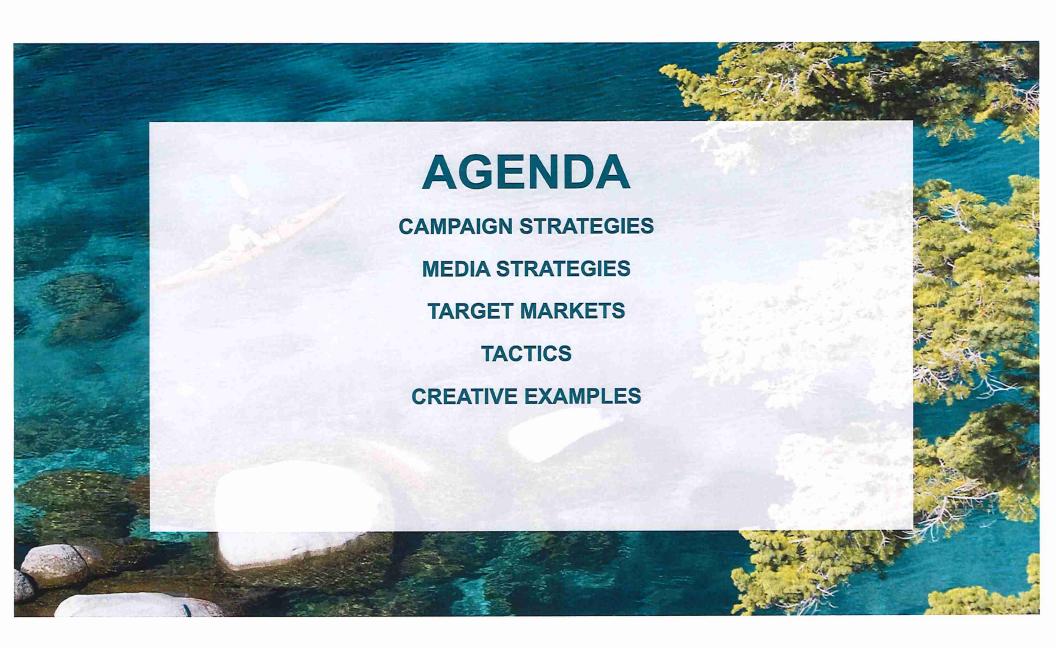
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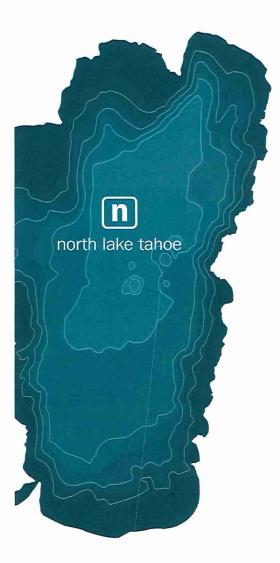
- McCarthy questioned how the ROI is determined. Brown shared it comes from a couple of different sources
  and one being the ROI data sheet Amber Burke created, along with the Tourism Master Plan. She is open
  to including more metrics.
- 8. Departmental Reports these reports can be viewed on our website.
- 9. Standing Reports- these reports can be viewed on our website.

- 10. Committee Member Comments Fajkos reminded the committee members of the Drone show on Labor Day weekend.
- 11. Adjournment The meeting adjourned at 3:05pm

Minutes submitted by, Anna Atwood NLTRA







### **CAMPAIGN STRATEGIES**

### Tier 1:

- Increase length of stay
- Increase mid-week visitation

### Tier 2:

- Focus on lakeside activities to disperse travel throughout the region.
- Increase awareness of seasonal activities, events and experiences
- Continue to grow destination awareness, brand loyalty and conversation
- Increase in-market spending and support of local businesses
- Engage with locals and visitors, promoting positive sentiment and community support
- Support Traveler Responsibility Pledge and sustainability efforts
- Attract and motivate audiences by evoking emotion and creating a deeper connection through positioning, visuals and copy

### **MEDIA STRATEGIES**

- Use lower budgets to target main California fly market (Los Angeles)
- Target national high-value audiences
  - Fly market / 3-year visitor
  - 4+ day stay, mid-week, higher HHI and higher spending
- Maintain sustainability messaging



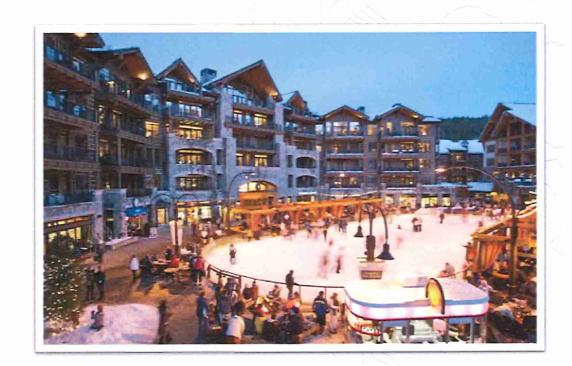
## **WINTER TARGET MARKETS**

- Los Angeles
- National Fly Markets / 3 Years Visitor (High Value)



## **TACTICS**

- Programmatic Display
  - Prospecting and Retargeting
  - High Value / National Audiences
- Native Direct
- Search Marketing
  - National
  - Google Max
- Facebook/Instagram
  - Prospecting and retargeting
  - High Value / National Audiences
  - Sustainability (In-Market Travelers 75%; Locals 25%)
- TripAdvisor
- Email



## **CONSUMER MEDIA FLOWCHART**

- 10% of total fiscal budget
- Focus on targeted digital media

NLT 2022-23 MEDIA PLAN																	
			November December					January					February				Gross Total
		21	28	5	12	19	26	2	9	1	6 2	23	30	6	13	20	
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Native (direct)									7					7-1			
Paid Search - National		777							-	-							
Google Max (Search, YouTube, Display, Gmail Ads)																	
Digital Total																	\$50,353
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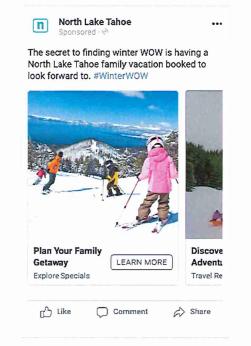


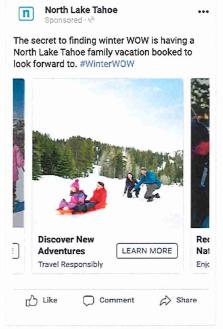
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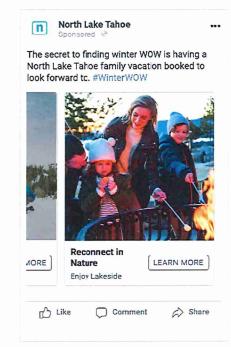


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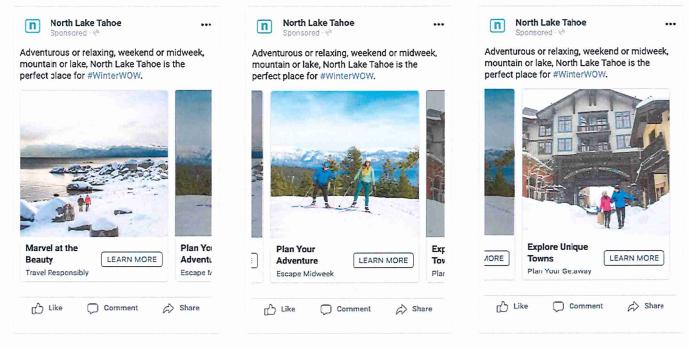






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## **CREATIVE - SUSTAINABILITY**



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