LASSEN COUNTY 2021 TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT PLAN/COORDINATED PLAN UPDATE

DRAFT REPORT

LCTC MEETING JUNE 21, 2021



WHAT IS A TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT PLAN?

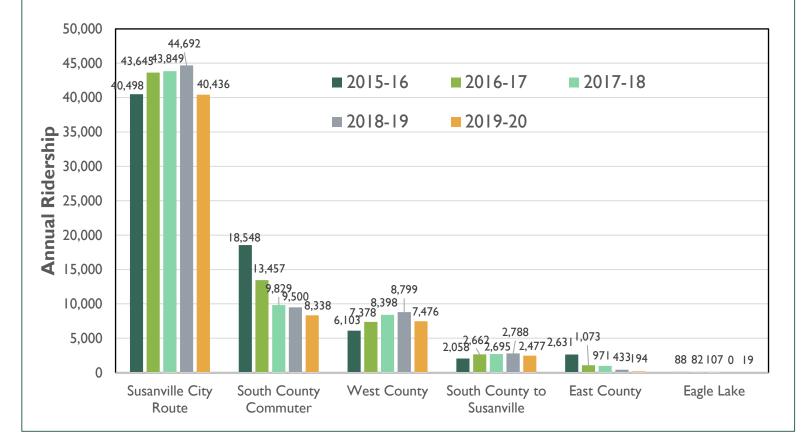
Five-year business plan for the public transit system

- Review of demographics
- Review of transit system performance
- Community and Passenger Surveys
- Analysis of alternatives
- Operating Plan, Capital Plan, Financial Plan

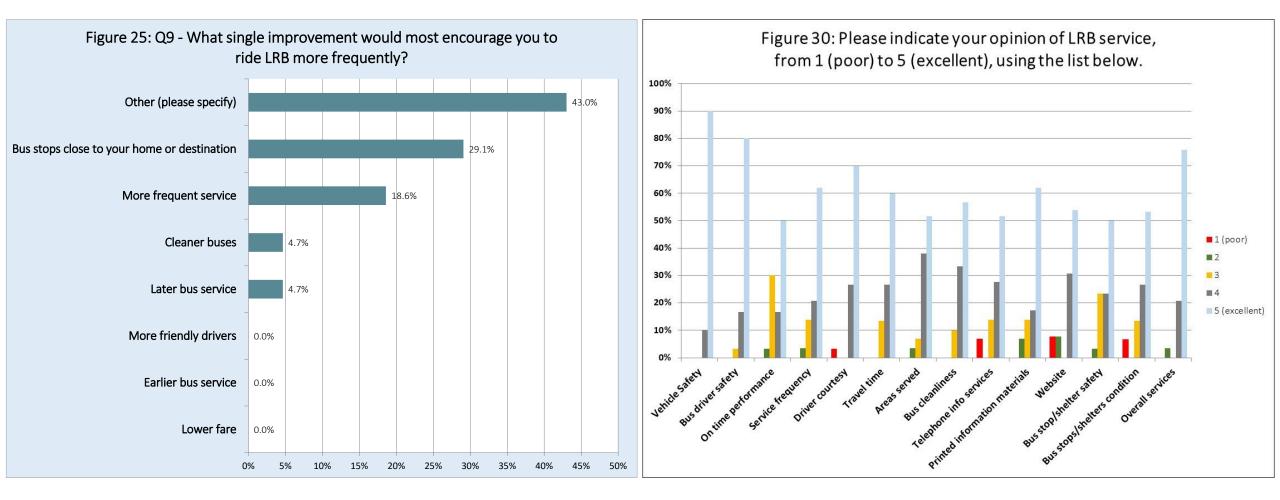
KEY FINDINGS

- Overall population is expected to decline over the next 20 years
- Older population is expected to increase over next 10 years
- Susanville Fixed Route and South County Commuter are productive services
- East County Route is not a cost-efficient service

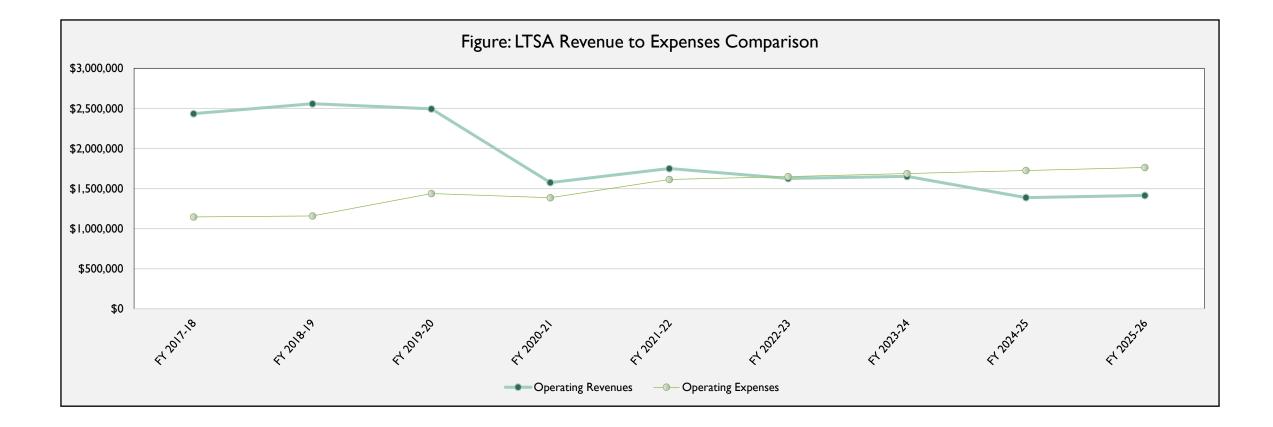
Figure 13: Historical LRB Fixed Route Ridership



SURVEY RESULTS



OPERATING BUDGET FORECASTS



KEY POLICY QUESTIONS

- Should excess LTF revenues to be carried over from year to year for public transit purposes until a time when the base level of transit service can be easily funded for a period of at least two years?
- Should LTSA use funds reserved for capital purposes to cover operating expenses?
- Should STIP funds be used to replace the larger transit vehicles when they reach the end of their useful life?
- Should TDA funds be used to pay for unfunded CalPERS liabilities?

DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS

- Operate base-line level of service for next three years:
 - Susanville Fixed Route
 - Susanville Express (Re-evaluate annually)
 - Susanville DAR
 - West County Route
 - South County Fixed
 - South County Commuter
 - Eagle Lake (on-demand)
- Implement a Non-Emergency Medical Transportation service to Reno I day per week beginning FY 2022-23
- Transfer a small amount of money from capital fund (as needed)
- All TDA is allocated to public transit, planning and administration and bicycle and pedestrian facilities (2%)
- Reassess budget after three years

- Eliminate East County Route
- Discontinue West County Extension

COORDINATED PUBLIC TRANSIT HUMAN SERVICES TRANSPORTATION PLAN

- Assist other transportation providers with obtaining FTA 5310 funds to purchase new vehicles
- Allocate a small amount of funding to Lassen Senior Services to hire an accounting firm to prepare and track invoices and other grant related processes
- Designate a Mobility Manager and/or purchase Mobility Management Application. Apply for FTA 5310 funding to support this strategy.
- Transportation Reimbursement Program
- Strengthen efforts to coordinate with Susanville Indian Rancheria

QUESTIONS? COMMENTS?

