



# WASHOE COUNTY

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## STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: May 26, 2026

**DATE:** May 5, 2026

**TO:** Board of County Commissioners

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**SUBJECT:** Acknowledgement by the Board of County Commissioners and County Manager of the Washoe County Agency Pledge supporting Nevada's 2026–2030 Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) and the goal of Zero Fatalities on Nevada's public roadways. (All Commission Districts)  
FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

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### SUMMARY

Community Services Department requests the Board of County Commissioners (Board) and Washoe County Manager acknowledge the Washoe County Agency Pledge, which formalizes the County's commitment to supporting the goals of Nevada's 2026–2030 Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) and the statewide vision of zero traffic fatalities and serious injuries.

The pledge affirms the County's alignment with the Safe System Approach and its commitment to implementing proven safety strategies and programs aimed at reducing fatalities and serious injuries on Washoe County roadways.

Acceptance of the pledge demonstrates Washoe County's commitment to:

- Supporting the statewide goal of zero fatalities and serious injuries by 2050
- Advancing the principles of the Safe System Approach
- Enhancing and expanding proven safety programs and infrastructure improvements
- Collaborating with regional and state partners on coordinated safety strategies
- Continuing implementation of safety measures identified in the Tahoe Transportation Plan Supplement

AGENDA ITEM # \_\_\_\_\_

The pledge is a policy-level commitment and does not impose new regulatory requirements. Instead, it formalizes ongoing efforts and reinforces the County's leadership role in improving roadway safety.

**Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item:**

Economic Impacts: Support a thriving community.

**PREVIOUS ACTION**

No previous action.

**BACKGROUND**

Nevada's Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) establishes a coordinated, statewide framework to reduce traffic-related fatalities and serious injuries. The plan emphasizes a Safe System Approach, which recognizes that roadway safety is a shared responsibility among government agencies, engineers, planners, law enforcement, advocacy groups, and the traveling public.

Washoe County has historically supported roadway safety through engineering improvements, traffic calming measures, public outreach, and coordination with regional partners. The pledge builds on these efforts by formally aligning the County with the SHSP's goals and strategies.

Additionally, the County continues to implement safety initiatives identified in the Supplement to the Tahoe Transportation Plan (TTP), further reinforcing regional collaboration and consistency in safety planning.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended the Board of County Commissioners and Washoe County Manager acknowledge the Washoe County Agency Pledge supporting Nevada's 2026–2030 Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) and the goal of Zero Fatalities on Nevada's public roadways.

**POSSIBLE MOTION**

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be: "Move to acknowledge the Washoe County Agency Pledge supporting Nevada's 2026–2030 Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) and the shared goal of Zero Fatalities on Nevada's public roadways, affirming Washoe County's continued commitment to reducing traffic fatalities and serious injuries in our community."