The "Department Head Reports" from DOT for the 6 February 2024 meeting are listed below:

- Road crews are busy clearing debris and monitoring the county roads for storm damage. We will have details of mother nature's wrath as damage develops after the storms end. The attached photo is a recent slip-out on Campbell Ridge Road.
- Engineering and Accounting Staff are working on a funding program for preventive maintenance for the following five bridges: Carr Creek Bridge 5C-105 (Hayfork), Middle Weaver Creek Bridge 5C-153 (Mill Street Weaverville), East Side Road Bridge 5C-185 (Carrville), Coffee Creek Bridge 5C-205 (PM 7.35 Coffee Creek Road), and the Van Duzen Bridge 5C-223 (Ruth-Zenia Road & Hettenshaw Valley intersection). Engineering Staff completed the Environmental phase including NEPA. The next phase of the project will include preparation of the Right of Way Certification for each location and 100% Plans, Specifications and Estimate.
- Staff applied for the Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant. Upon receiving the grant, the allocated funds will be utilized to formulate a Short-Range Transit Development Plan (SRTDP) and a Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan. These plans must adhere to various Federal Transit Administration and Caltrans requirements.
- The Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC) is advertising for three vacancies; a representative of transit users aged 60 or older, a representative of transit users with disabilities, and a representative from local social service providers for the disabled. The SSTAC aims to gather input from transit-dependent and transit-disadvantaged individuals, including the elderly, handicapped, low-income individuals, and youth, concerning transit needs in Trinity County.
- There is an ongoing collaboration between transit staff and the California Integrated Travel Project (Cal-ITP) for testing a satellite antenna as a potential solution to rural connectivity barriers. A Starlink satellite has been installed on one of Trinity Transit's buses, and connectivity will be monitored to identify dead zones. The trial period has been extended until February 27, 2024. A preview of the data map, displaying information for the Redding and Willow Creek Routes, is attached. Preliminary results appear promising, and are showing improved coverage in areas that were previously dead zones.



