The “Department Head Reports” from DOT for the April 4, 2023, meeting are listed below:

- County staff joined FEMA and CalOES on a field review for new road and utility damages from the recent March storms. The threshold for the county to qualify for FEMA funding is $75,000, if the disaster has been declared by the President, based on a much larger statewide amount. A preliminary estimate of March road damages is about $1,000,000 for off-system roads which includes debris removal. Some of the locations include Deerlick Springs, and Evan's Bar Roads.

- A drainage pipe and ditch at the intersection of Trinity Dam Blvd. and Highway 299 was filled with Decomposed Granite (DG) during recent storms, resulting in flooding of the intersection. Caltrans was able to correct the flooding at the intersection for now, but a large volume of DG material will need to be removed to correct the drainage along the County road, and possibly we will need to replace some of the county culverts.

- The county received two bids for the High Friction Surface Treatment (HFST) project on Rush Creek Road. The low bid was submitted by Truesdell Corporation of California, Inc. from Tempe, Arizona in the amount of $888,888. The second low bid was for $939,000. Construction will be later based on favorable weather conditions.

- A large slip out is developing on Mad River Road near post mile 12, resulting from the recent storms. County crews are monitoring the site, and it has been reported to Caltrans for inclusion in the Emergency Repairs (ER) disaster program. In addition, as the snow melts more damage sites are discovered.

- DOT staff is preparing the 2023 Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) application. Four years of accrued LCTOP funds, totaling $115,490, will be used to purchase and operate Trinity Transit's first zero-emission bus. This project is a crucial element for DOT to help meet the CARB ICT regulation. Trinity County’s 2020 Short Range Transit Development Plan also recommended this project.

- The Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC) meeting is planned for Thursday, April 27, 2023, at the Redding Rancheria Trinity Health Center conference room, located at 81 Arbuckle Ct in Weaverville. The meeting will take place from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., and will focus on the Unmet Transit Needs process for 2023.
If you have any questions please let me know.