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Project Update

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Projects in the Mono Basin		
Project Type	Responsible Agency	Project Description
General Plan Amendment / Specific Plan	Mono County Planning Division	<p>Project: D & S Waste Transfer Station Specific Plan Location: 7937 Highway 167 (APN # 013-210-028-000) Status: In progress</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building permit approved • Tribal consultation period concluded • Planning Commission hearing rescheduled for March 19, 2026 <p>Description: The Board directed staff to write a Specific Plan to limit the activities to the approved uses under Use Permit 21-007. Other uses currently allowed under the Industrial (I) designation would be eliminated through the the adoption of the Specific Plan. Next steps: Facilitate the Planning Commission hearing</p>
Roadway Rehabilitation and Active Transportation	Caltrans D09	<p>Project: Lee Vining Main Street Rehabilitation Location: US 395 on Lee Vining Main Street Status: In progress</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue collaborating with Caltrans D09 <p>Description: A large-scale reconstruction and redesign of US 395 through Lee Vining which will include rehabilitation of the existing pavement area, redesign of the highway, improved bike lanes, new ADA facilities, addition of stormwater treatment facilities, expansion of sidewalks, and new parking facilities.</p>
Wildfire and Ecological	Whitebark Institute	<p>Project: West Mono Basin Location: Mono City, Lee Vining, and June Lake Status: In progress</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to engage in the pre-planning phase <p>Description: The Inyo National Forest is exploring opportunities to reduce wildfire risk and build ecological and community resilience in the West Mono Basin watershed. Whitebark Institute is providing support in the areas of community engagement and environmental planning.</p>
Director Review	Mono County Planning Division	<p>Project: US Pumice Interim Management Plan Location: 7 mi. south of Mono Lake, Mono Craters Status: In progress</p> <p>Description: Review of a proposed idle mine plan under the Surface Mining and Reclamation Act (SMARA). The management plan would be for up to five years and requires financial assurances.</p>

For projects outside of the Mono Basin, please refer to the Community Development Director's report published with every Planning Commission agenda (see "Agendas and Minutes"):

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