

BlueGo operator wants out when contract expires in June

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BlueGo, the South Shore bus system, is going to have a new operator this summer.

The current operator has told Tahoe Transportation District officials it will not be bidding on the route. Request for proposals are being solicited, with the closing date May 18.



BlueGo is about to go have another operator.

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TTD, which oversees the bus operation, entered into the \$23,460 monthly contract with TRC Consultants last fall. The contract expires June 30.

TRC Consultants was originally hired by South Tahoe Area Transit Authority to run the buses after MV Transportation was fired by the now-bankrupt STATA board. TRC uses the name BlueGo Transit Management Inc. for its South Shore operation. The company is based in Florida.

The TTD board wants to have an operator on board so the transition is seamless. However, TTD Executive Director Carl

Hasty told *Lake Tahoe News* if a viable operator could not be secured by the end of June "we would run it."