## Upgrades made to South Shore bus system

Tahoe Transportation District this month launched Ecolane, a scheduling system for riders using the on-demand system that is available to seniors and those with disabilities.

The goal is to increase safety, efficiency, and overall quality of the service.

Dispatchers will be asking additional questions when taking reservations to customize individual trips from arranged origin to set destination. Fare for eligible passengers is \$3 oneway.

TTD in the last year purchased nine buses equipped with electronic fare boxes, five security cameras, two-position bike racks, and two-way radios. The new vehicles replace 20 percent of the existing fleet, allowing for the retirement of older and higher maintenance vehicles.

TTD contracted with Tolar Manufacturing Company Inc. to provide and install solar lighting units for the bus shelters to improve safety and security. Installations began in late January and will continue through March.