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EDC Director Report January 2024

January

- **Loans** – The EDC was working with MCEDD on a major loan. However, it was determined that the EDC was not going to be able to fund the loan request. We are currently working on another loan and a loan modification.
- **CFM** – CFM is gearing up for the Federal and State Sessions. CFM met with several stakeholders in January for the upcoming sessions and to make sure their agenda for the session is correct. CFM is also focusing on continuing to work on SRS. CFM continues to assist local agencies with Direct Appropriation applications.
- **Conservation Fund** – The Fund has offered to pay for a part time project manager position for area projects that help our forest, community and infrastructure. We currently are working on a plan to hire a project manager in April of 2025. The EDC met with the Conservation Fund and a potential project manager to discuss contracts and scope of work.
- **Stakeholder Meeting** – The EDC continues to facilitate Stakeholder Breakfasts on the first Monday of the month. The EDC has contracted with A. Hart Associates to continue the stakeholder process through 2025. The next meeting will be on February 12th.