

TAHOE KEYS STAKEHOLDER COMMITTEE PROCESS



IVGID is a member of the Tahoe Water Suppliers Association (TWSA), which has been participating as a member organization in the Tahoe Keys Stakeholder Committee. Since November 2018, the Tahoe Keys Stakeholder Committee (SC) has been a forum for collaborative discussion about the goals, design, and review of a Tahoe Keys Control Methods Test (CMT), including discussions around understanding the history of the problem, opportunities and challenges, as well as proposed solutions. Each organization represented on the SC has engaged in the regulatory process and continues to share formal comments at the appropriate milestones in the NEPA, CEQA and Tahoe Regional Planning Agency (TRPA) environmental analysis. Each SC representative individually represented their interests to decision makers as they considered the proposal for the CMT in January 2022.

In 2018, the Tahoe Keys Property Owners Association (TKPOA), TRPA and the Lahontan Water Board initiated an environmental review process for assessing different aquatic invasive weed treatment options to address the 172-acre infestation in the Tahoe Keys lagoons.

At the culmination of this 3-year SC process, SC members have developed shared and agreed upon perspectives on the following: The Tahoe Keys aquatic weeds infestation is accelerating and poses a serious threat to Lake Tahoe if not controlled. The ultimate goal is to achieve a major reduction in the mass of weeds, seed pods and nutrients so that water quality and the weed infestation can be actively maintained over time. The development of the proposed project has been a thorough, scientifically rigorous, and inclusive process. Extensive permit requirements have been developed by the lead agencies for planning, implementation, monitoring and reporting for the proposed project. The environmental analysis determined that Lake Tahoe is not at risk from this proposed test of mixed methods. At the request of public and stakeholders, the “no action” alternative was evaluated thoroughly, and stands out as the scenario of greatest threat to water quality in the Tahoe Keys Lagoons and for Lake Tahoe overall.

This article contains excerpts from the Tahoe Keys Stakeholder Committee Final Report, December 2021. The full report can be found at: https://3ovs9mxsv9l3frczkuutt-wpenqine.netdna-ssl.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/Final-SCReport_-Dec21.pdf

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Saturday, Mar. 26, 10:30 - 11:30am

Program participants will meet behind the Base Lodge (near the ski racks and large trail map sign) with a guide before touring the mountain to discuss the unique plant and animal life that flourishes within the ski area's boundaries, as well as the history of the resort, of Incline Village and the Lake Tahoe region as a whole. Learn about Diamond Peak's recent certification through STOKE Certified and continuing efforts to incorporate sustainable practices into operations and education.

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