

Project Learning Tree Resources for the Lake Tahoe Basin

Place-Based Service-Learning Library

Sierra Watershed Education Partnerships (SWEP), Lake Tahoe Environmental Education Coalition (LTEEC) and Adopt-A-Watershed (AAW) maintain a Place-Based Service-Learning Library with a variety of curriculum and books. Contact Christine McMorrow, christine@4swep.org, 530-525-9457, or check the online catalog at <http://4swep.org/resources/library/index.html>.

Organizations

Sierra Watershed Education Partnerships (SWEP): <http://4swep.org/>; Jan Ellis, Program Manager, jan@4swep.org, 530-412-2585, and Christine McMorrow, Executive Director, christine@4swep.org, 530-525-9457; SWEP is a nonprofit that provides support to classroom teachers and administrators implementing place-based service-learning curriculum in the Lake Tahoe Basin, and works with agencies and organizations in efforts to meet the Environmental Improvement Program (EIP) targets.

Tahoe Environmental Research Center (TERC): <http://terc.ucdavis.edu/>; Heather Segale, Education and Outreach Coordinator, hmsegale@ucdavis.edu, 530-583-3279; TERC is dedicated to research, education and public outreach on lakes and their surrounding watersheds and airsheds. Lake ecosystems include the physical, biogeochemical and human environments, and the interactions among them. The Center is committed to providing objective scientific information for restoration and sustainable use of the Lake Tahoe Basin.

There are a great number of other organizations which provide resources as a part of their education or advocacy mission. For links to these organizations, check the LTEEC website above.

Web Sites

Sierra Watershed Education Partnerships (SWEP): <http://4swep.org/>; the best collection of information about education programs and projects in the Lake Tahoe Basin.

Tahoe Integrated Information Management System (TIIMS): <http://tiims.org/>; a website that provides links to environmental Improvement Program (EIP) activities and data for the entire basin, and a Students and Teachers area with lessons and other information supporting education.

Agencies

USDA Forest Service, Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit (LTBMU): <http://www.fs.fed.us/r5/ltbmu/>; Michel St. Michel, mstmichel@fs.fed.us, 530-543-2611 for interpretive programs, call the general number for other resources such as fire and ecosystems, 530-543-2600, the Forest Service manages the majority of the public lands in the basin, including fire and fuels management, and has a variety of interpretive programs for the public and schools.

Tahoe Resource Conservation District (TRCD): <http://trcd.org/>; Scott Cecchi, scott-cecchi@ca.nacdnet.org, 530-543-1501 x114; operates the Backyard Conservation Program for homeowners and other conservation programs on the California side of the basin, and offers some classroom presentations.

Nevada Tahoe Conservation District (NTCD): <http://ntcd.org/>; Jill Sarick, Public Outreach Specialist, jsarick@ntcd.org, 775-586-1610 x23; operates the Backyard Conservation Program for homeowners and other conservation programs on the Nevada side of the basin.

Tahoe Regional Planning Agency (TRPA): <http://trpa.org/>; is the lead agency for implementation of the Environmental Improvement Program (EIP) and regulation of activities on all private land that impact the quality of the lake and surrounding environment, and offers some classroom education programs.

California Tahoe Conservancy (CTC): <http://www.tahoicons.ca.gov/>; manages protected land, banks coverages, and does some outreach education for and with schools

Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS), South Lake Tahoe Service Center: 530-543-1501; does some outreach education

Lahontan Regional Water Quality control Board (LRWQCB): <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/lahontan/>; responsible for point and nonpoint source pollution, and does some outreach education

Fire

Tahoe Basin Fire Safe Council, Jennifer Arrowsmith, Council Administrator, 530-543-1501 x112, tahobasinfiresafe@yahoo.com.

North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District (NLTFPD, northeast shore): <http://www.nltfpd.net/>; Tia Rancourt, trancourt@nltfpd.net, 775-833-8111; does outreach education in the local (Incline Village) schools

North Tahoe Fire Protection District (NTFPD, northwest shore): <http://www.ntfire.net/>; 530-583-6913

Lake Valley Fire Protection District (LVFPD, South Lake Tahoe): 530-577-3737

Tahoe-Douglas Fire Protection District (TDFPD, southeast shore): <http://www.tahoefire.com/HomePage.htm>; 775-588-3591

Meeks Bay Fire Protection district (MBFPD, west shore): John Pang, 530-525-7548