

Lahontan water board meets in SLT this week

Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board will conduct a public hearing Oct. 14 to review the Water Quality Control Plan for the Lahontan Region.

The Basin Plan includes water quality standards and control measures for surface and ground waters within watersheds east of the Sierra Nevada crest and in the northern Mojave Desert. The Triennial Review process meets state and federal requirements for periodic review and update of Basin Plans. Staff-recommended topics for plan revisions range from an editorial update of the entire plan to revisions of standards for specific water bodies. Public comments are invited on these and any other issues that should be addressed in future plan amendments.

Following the public hearing, the board will consider adopting a prioritized issues list to direct planning efforts for the next three years. Adoption of the Triennial Review list does not necessarily mean the board will adopt subsequent revisions to the Basin Plan. Water Board staff will investigate issues and propose plan amendments for Water Board consideration at future public hearings.

The public hearing will be during the Water Board's regular meeting.

Date: Oct. 14 and 15; the public hearing will not begin earlier than 7:30pm Oct. 14.

Place: Lake Tahoe Community College, Aspen Room, One College Drive, South Lake Tahoe.