## Alpine — It's all about the mountain

Publisher's note: Lake Tahoe News is providing a glimpse into what skiers and boarders can expect at Lake Tahoe area resorts for the 2010-11 season.

Alpine Meadows: The mountain simply delivers.

• Projected opening date: TBA

• Daily adult lift ticket: TBA



 What's new?: JMA Ventures, the ski resort's parent company, has added the West Shore Café of Homewood to its list of properties; mountain facilities upgrades undisclosed as of press time.

• What's special about Alpine?: Alpine Meadows' No. 1 focus is on the mountain, offering the best on-snow experience possible. Guests attracted to Alpine enjoy the resort for its casual, genuine atmosphere — not for the shopping and not for the spa. They visit for the pure mountain experience, which happens to include a 6-minute ride from the base lodge to the top of the mountain. Take into account seven powder bowls, many tree descents and immaculately groomed trails. Then, there's the friendly vibe.

• Last year's snow total: 443 inches

• Lift hours of operation: 9am to 4pp

• Skiable terrain: 2,400 acres

• Number of lifts: 14

- Vertical feet: 1802
- Directions: Take Highway 89 north past the River Ranch to the resort entrance.
- Website

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