Grant will fund parking at Tahoe Vista Rec Area

The North Tahoe Public Utility District has been awarded \$1.42 million from the Department of Boating and Waterways for construction of the parking lot at Tahoe Vista Recreation Area.

This funding, along with \$500,000 from Placer County Redevelopment Agency and \$500,000 from the North Lake Tahoe Resort Association Infrastructure Funding allow the district to move forward with construction in 2012 once all permits are in hand.

Completion of this parking lot will provide the final critical element for the Tahoe Vista Recreation Area. Beginning with property acquisitions dating back to 1991, funded by the California Tahoe Conservancy, more than \$10 million has been spent on this prime public lakefront property including acquisition, permitting, environmental documents and construction. Funding for construction has come from the California Department of Boating and Waterways, CTC, Placer County and NLTRA.

The initial phase of the project included most of the lakefront amenities and was completed in summer 2005. In 2010, the boat launch was dredged and courtesy docks installed in the harbor. This final phase of the project will provide parking for 21 boat/trailers and 41 vehicles. The parking will be located on the northwest corner of Highway 28 and National Avenue.

The district anticipates going to bid for this project in spring 2012 with construction being completed in the fall. Public meetings regarding this project will be announced once they have been scheduled.