

STPUD changes elections to even years

South Tahoe Public Utility District's board unanimously agreed to change its elections to even years. This means the current board members will all have one year added to their term.

The district chose to do this because Lake Tahoe Unified School District and Lake Tahoe Community College voted to alter the years they have elections. The three share the cost of the election. Had South Tahoe PUD stayed with the odd year elections, it could have cost upward of \$60,000. Now that expense will be split between the three jurisdictions as was the case during odd year elections.

The El Dorado County Board of Supervisors must still vote on the change to make it a reality.

STPUD also looked at having geographically designated trustee areas as the two education entities are doing. No public utility in the state elects their board geographically. LTUSD and LTCC are going that route to comply with the California Voting Rights Act.

The board agreed to leave how people are elected to the STPUD board unchanged.

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