

TRPA announces Best in the Basin winners



Lakeview Commons in South Lake Tahoe continues to win awards. Photo/LTN June 2011

The Tahoe Regional Planning Agency will recognize recipients of the 2012 Best in the Basin Awards at its March 27 Governing Board meeting beginning at 9:30am in Stateline.

This is the 23rd year TRPA's Best in the Basin awards program has recognized projects that demonstrate exceptional planning, design, and compatibility with the Lake Tahoe environment. Local professionals in the fields of landscaping, planning, engineering, water quality, and resource management judged each category.

The 2012 Best in the Basin project winners are:

Stormwater BMPs

El Dorado County, Donaldo Palaroan CE, for the BMP Retrofit of the Shakori Drive Maintenance Yard, 1121 Shakori Drive, Meyers.

Residential Remodel and Green Building Project

David Reichel and Katharine Miller for the Ottawa Drive Garage

and Guest House Project, 1330 Ottawa Drive, Meyers.

Residential Rebuild Project

Bill and Sue Parker for the Parker Family Retreat, 6900 West Lake Blvd., Tahoma.

Commercial Project

Alan and Martha Bryan for the Cedar Glen Lodge Remodel, 6589 North Lake Blvd., Tahoe Vista.

Restoration Project

Incline Village General Improvement District, Brad Johnson PE, for the Third Creek Restoration Project Final Phase, between Highway 28 and the lake, Incline Village.

Restoration Project, Honorable Mention

Nevada Division of State Lands, Elyse Randles Land Agent, for the Burgundy Hills Soil and Stream Environment Zone Restoration Project, Country Club Drive, Incline Village.

Erosion Control Project

Washoe County, Kris Klein, and Nevada Tahoe Conservation District, Megan Kelley PE, for the Hybrid BMP Project, Village Boulevard between Ace Court and Golfers Pass Road, Incline Village.

Public Service Project

Incline Village General Improvement District, Brad Johnson PE, for the Diamond Peak Skier Services Building, 1210 Ski Way, Incline Village.

Forest Fuel Reduction Project

Meeks Bay Fire Protection District and Area Homeowners, Come Again Meadow Fuel Reduction and Meadow Restoration Project, 3

Ring Road, Rubicon Bay.

Forest Fuel Reduction Project Honorable Mention

Tahoe Douglas Fire Protection District and Logan Creek Community Homeowners, Logan Creek Community Defensible Space Project, Glenbrook.

Recreation Project

Tahoe City Public Utility District for the Lakeside Trail, a 1-mile segment of trail connecting the "64 acres" to the Tahoe State Recreation Area, Tahoe City.

Shorezone Project

South Lake Tahoe, Hillary Roverud, and California Tahoe Conservancy, Bruce Eisner, for the El Dorado Beach Improvement Project at Lakeview Commons, Lake Tahoe Boulevard and Lakeview Avenue, South Lake Tahoe.

Other/Mixed-Use Project

Tahoe Yacht Harbor LLC, Jim Phelan Manager, for the Tahoe City Marina Master Plan, 700 North Lake Blvd., Tahoe City.

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For 2013, the Best in the Basin nomination period will run from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31 for projects that are completed between Oct. 12, 2012 and Dec. 31, 2013.

The updated nomination period will allow the judging panel to attend project tours the following spring or early summer when snow has receded and vegetation is at its best, rather than dodging changing weather conditions and visiting winterized sites in late October or November as has been the practice.

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