Environmental-science docents needed on N. Shore

Do you love Lake Tahoe and have an interest in learning more about the lake? Do you enjoy science, learning new information, and sharing your knowledge?

Residents who would like to help people learn about the region's environmental assets and challenges are needed to serve as volunteer docents at the Tahoe Science Center (also known as the Thomas J. Long Foundation Education Center) and the UC Davis Eriksson Education Center. The former is located in Incline Village and the latter in Tahoe City.

Visitors to the centers include school groups from the greater Lake Tahoe-Truckee region as well as local residents and visitors to the basin.

The training courses and a copy of the UC Davis Docent Training Manual will provide new docents all the information they will need to discuss the scientific research at Lake Tahoe, local environmental issues, and natural history of the region. No prior experience is necessary, and all are welcome.

The first two docent training classes will be held June 7 (2-5pm) and June 8 (9am-noon) at the Tahoe Center for Environmental Sciences, on the Sierra Nevada College campus in Incline Village. The third training will take place July 9, starting with a boat ride aboard the UC Davis Research Vessel John LeConte and finishing at the UC Davis Tahoe City Field Station. Space aboard the boat is limited and will be available on a first-come basis. Attendance at all three training sessions is strongly recommended.

To RSVP for the training, contact docent program manager Alison Toy at (775) 881.7566 or email antoy@ucdavis.edu.