

Open house planned at Tahoe City Field Station

UC Davis Tahoe Environmental Research Center's open house at the Tahoe City Field Station (Historic Hatchery) is June 15 from 10am-2pm.

Visitors may tour the historic building, talk to TERC scientists about their work, and learn something about Lake Tahoe. Local garden clubs will be on hand to give plant selection and gardening advice, and Red Truck of Truckee will sell food and beverages.

The UC Davis Tahoe City Field Station has evolved from its origins as a state fish hatchery to its current function as a field station for UC Davis researchers at Lake Tahoe. The Field Station houses the Eriksson Education Center, native plant demonstration garden, a small laboratory facility, and the equipment necessary for researchers to boat on, dive in, and scientifically examine Lake Tahoe.

Between Memorial Day and Labor Day, the Eriksson Education Center offers visitors an opportunity to explore the facility at their pace with self-guided tours between 8am and 6pm daily. Volunteer docents are available on Saturdays from 10am-2pm for guided tours and hands-on science activities.

Eriksson Education Center also hosts the Green Thumb Gardening Series, a series of weekly lectures on sustainable gardening in the Lake Tahoe Basin. This year's topics include edible gardens, pest management, composting and efficient irrigation. Green Thumb lectures are every Tuesday at 5:30pm beginning June 25.

For more information about the Open House, Green Thumb Gardening Series or volunteer opportunities, contact Kelsey Poole at (775) 881.7560, ext. 7402 or klpoole@ucdavis.edu.

The facility is at 2400 Lake Forest Road, Tahoe City.