

LTWC about to be caring for 10 bears

Lake Tahoe Wildlife Care will be receiving bear cub No. 10 on Monday.

The cub will be arriving by plane at Lake Tahoe Airport. It is coming to the South Shore animal rehab center from Washington.

“The situation of this cub is very similar to Li'l Smokey from 2008 in that it was in a forest fire and has burned paws. The main difference is that this cub is 20 pounds. Li'l Smokey came in at 8 1/2 pounds,” Tom Millham, secretary of LTWC, said.

Li'l Smokey went on to fame with the firefighter who rescued the cub writing a book about it. It was released back into the wild.