

Backcountry Legend Jones talks gear, Tahoe

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It's not a stretch to call Truckee's Jeremy Jones the greatest snowboarder of all time.

The pro rider has made a career of bringing backcountry snowboarding to the mainstream. His expeditions and innovations –including the designs he helped create for his company, Jeremy Jones Snowboards – stem from his drive to explore winter in meaningful and often insanely demanding ways.

In 2007, Jones founded Protect Our Winters, a nonprofit that works to reduce the effects of climate change and draw attention to the snowy places we're in danger of losing.

The newest film of his human-powered snowboard trilogy, "Higher", dropped in October.

The day we caught up with him to talk about his favorite places to ride and his favorite gear, gusts of wind bludgeoned his phone. We pictured him hanging from a cliff with one hand while calmly giving an interview with the other.

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