

Efforts to save Lahontan cutthroat trout recognized

A team working to bring back the Lahontan cutthroat trout to the area has been honored.

The Rachel Carson Group Award from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service was presented to the Lahontan Cutthroat Trout Broodstock and Lake Reintroduction Team. The team is comprised of the Lahontan National Fish Hatchery in Gardnerville, UNR and the Pyramid Lake Paiute tribe.

2012 was the first time the Lahontan cutthroat reproduced naturally in the Lake Tahoe Basin in more than 70 years. This is the largest species of trout in the world.

Now the trout are being reintroduced to water bodies in the Sierra.