Placer County to vote on closing animal shelter

The Placer County Board of Supervisors is contemplating closing the animal shelter in Tahoe Vista.

A group of volunteers is trying to keep the facility open.

The supervisors are meeting July 20 at 2:30pm at the shelter (849 Shelter Road, Tahoe Vista) to receive a tour and see the facility. They will then go to Truckee at 3:30pm to tour the animal shelter at 10961 Stevens Lane.

On the July 21 agenda is an item to just have the Truckee facility.

"The Tahoe Visa shelter is over 40 years old approaching the original operating life expectancy, and is not considered to be compliant with current standards for animal care and sheltering as recommended by the Humane Society of the United States," the staff report says.

The county would pay the Truckee shelter \$750,000 and the agreement would be for 30 years.

Staff expects to save \$100,000 a year. The report says, "This agreement will eliminate the need to upgrade or build a new shelter potentiality saving several million dollars in the near future."

The meeting starts at 9am at the Resort at Squaw Creek.

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