

Placer County to take over some TRPA permitting

The Tahoe Regional Planning Agency Governing Board voted unanimously to increase the number of permit types Placer County can process on the bi-state regulatory organization's behalf.

This should help people in terms of time and with transportation costs.

Beginning in spring 2018, the county Community Development Resource Agency in Tahoe City will offer a one-stop shop to customers requiring TRPA permits for certain commercial, tourist and mixed-used projects located in the Tahoe basin. The move will allow county staff to shepherd projects through the entire project review process – from conceptual project design, permitting and inspections – priming staff for the busy summer construction season.

Under a new memorandum of understanding between Placer and TRPA, the county will now be able to issue “TRPA qualified exempt” permits for simpler commercial, tourist- and recreation-related projects as well as continue to issue permits for residential projects from new construction to additions and remodels.

TRPA continues to process permits for lakefront developments, projects requiring scenic analysis or projects requiring an environmental impact statement.