

Negative Declaration

This statement and attachments constitute the Negative Declaration as proposed for adoption by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Lahontan Region (Water Board) for the project described below.

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Project Name: Resolution Waiving Waste Discharge Requirements for Vegetation Management Activities Regulated by the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency (TRPA) and Authorizing the Lahontan Water Board's Executive Officer to Enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the TRPA, Lake Tahoe Region.

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Project Description: The Water Board is considering the adoption of a resolution waiving the filing of a report of waste discharge and waste discharge requirements for discharges associated with vegetation management activities in the Lake Tahoe Region, and authorizing the Water Board's Executive Officer to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Executive Director of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency (TRPA). The MOU will designate the TRPA as the lead agency for permitting, review, and enforcement for vegetation management activities in the Lake Tahoe Region, with certain conditions.

Project Location: The Lake Tahoe Region of California, including portions of El Dorado and Placer Counties.

Environmental Finding: The project will not have a significant effect on the environment.

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Other Agencies Whose Approval May be Required:

The Executive Director of the TRPA must agree to the conditions of the MOU (indicated by signature) for it to become effective.

Public Hearing:

December 11, 2008
Lake Tahoe Community College Board Room
One College Drive
South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150

Attachments:

- 1) Initial Study
- 2) Resolution R6T-2008-(PROPOSED)
- 3) Proposed Memorandum of Understanding

How to Submit Comments:

The Lead Agency invites comments on the proposal from all interested persons and parties. **Written comments must be received by 5:00 p.m. on September 17, 2008.** Written comments should be addressed to the Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board at the address/fax provided above. Oral testimony will also be accepted at the public hearing. For more information contact: Anne Holden, (530) 542-5450, aholden@waterboards.ca.gov