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At the District Office: Friday, November 9th, at 8:30 a.m. Friday, December, 14th, at 8:30 a.m. Friday, January 11th, at 8:30 am Friday, February 8th, at 8:30 am

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DISTRICT IS PROPOSING UTILITY RATE INCREASES

HDR Engineering, Inc completed a Utility Rate and Fee Studies for the Board in June 2012. The study recommends a 5% increase in garbage rates beginning in fiscal year 2013-14. The current annual rate per customer is \$346.36. The study proposed that the annual rate per customer be increased to \$363.75. This would increase the customer annual charges by \$17.39 or \$1.45 per month. The study also recommended a 3.5 % increase in water rates and a 3.0% increase in sewer rates for the fiscal years ending in 2015 thru 2017. The Board will be conducting Public Hearings regarding any increases and welcomes the public to attend and/or comment.

IF YOU ARE PLANNING NEW CONSTRUCTION DON'T FORGET

If you plan new construction, an addition, or remodel that will change the exterior of your home or coverage of your lot **you are required to contact Bear Creek Planning Committee (BCPC)** as well as any other government agency having jurisdiction here. Paving dirt or gravel drives or parking areas is considered coverage. Living trees that are six (6) inches in diameter four (4) feet from the ground require the approval of BCPC before they can be removed.

BCPC was formed in 1961 for Bear Creek Association (BCA) and through agreements grew to include Juniper Mountain Association (JMA) and most of Alpine Meadows Estates (AME). AME Unit 5 and some lots in AME 3 are not included. BCPC's role as set forth in our Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions (CC&R's), is to ensure that the community develops in a way that is Alpine in character, harmonious in appearance and function, and respectful of the natural environment and beauty of the Valley.

Contact BCPC at the Paper Trail, 530-581-5692, P.O. Box 6178, Tahoe City, CA 96145, and judy@TahoePaperTrail.com

UPDATE - ALPINE MEADOWS BRIDGE PROJECT

As reported to you this spring, the Placer County Department of Public Works intends to replace the existing Alpine Meadows Road at Truckee River Bridge with a new bridge that clear-spans the river in approximately the same alignment. The Project will also include improvements to the existing Alpine Meadows Road intersection as well as improvements to approximately 1,400 feet of approach roadway on Alpine Meadows Road west of the current bridge. A temporary detour bridge is scheduled to be constructed next spring. The temporary bridge will be constructed to the north of the existing bridge. The temporary bridge will be a single span prefabricated truss with no piers in the river. Due to width limitations on the temporary detour bridge, only two temporary lanes will be available for eastbound and westbound traffic on Alpine Meadows Road during construction. The temporary detour bridge will accommodate pedestrian and bicycle traffic.

Improvements are also planned for the intersection of Alpine Meadows Road and SR89. The improvements will include turn pocket extensions and general intersection safety improvements. The intersection improvements will also include improved alignment and safety for the Truckee River Bike Trail crossing at Alpine Meadows Road. Signalization of the intersection will be part of the project if funding is available.

Construction for this project will be limited to one season and is scheduled for May 2013 to November 2013.

If you have any questions regarding this project, feel free to contact Jon Mitchell with Placer County Department of Public Works, Tahoe Engineering Division at (530) 581-6218 or jmitchel@placer.ca.gov.

2012 PARK SEASON COMING TO A CLOSE

The 2012 park season is coming to a close. If you did not use your park facilities this season, once again you missed a great opportunity to experience the alpine environment first-hand. The park will close the first part of October or at the first snowfall. If we have an "Indian summer" this fall, the park may stay open longer. Check with the office to be sure the park is still open before making plans to use the park. The park has had fairly consistent usage over the past several years. The number of season passes purchased has averaged approximately 114 each year. The park has also been the site of three weddings over the past six years. A summary of past years' park usage is presented below:

Park Usage Data						
	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Total Revenues Season Passes	\$19,359 114	\$19,134 115	\$18,420 116	\$18,765 115	\$18,595 119	\$17,265 104
Single Day	3	3	4	17	6	10
Family Week	8	7	4	9	5	7
Family Day	26	27	37	20	25	33
Card Deposits	43	41	43	34	57	55
Group Use						
11 to 25	10	10	7	12	16	20
26 to 50	2	4	4	5	6	5
51 to 75	3			2		1
76-125	2	2	2	2	2	3
126-150				0		
151-200 & Weddings			1	1		1
BBQ Rent	22	22	15	27	33	37

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