



# North Tahoe Citizen Action Alliance

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## **NTCAA News**

Our semi-annual membership meeting was held on February 21 at the North Tahoe Conference Center in Kings Beach. Topics covered were our efforts in all the North Shore communities in 2007, current status and planning for 2008. The next meeting is anticipated to be near July 4<sup>th</sup> to allow our non-resident members to attend.

Your Board of Directors has prepared position papers on the Community Enhancement Program (CEP), Kings Beach CEP projects, and the Homewood Mountain Resort development. These will be available on the web site.

## **Lake Tahoe Issues**

At the February 27 meeting of the TRPA Governing Board, the pre-applicants for the CEP will be accepted and the commodities requested (as shown in the December Newsletter) will be reserved. The applicants can then prepare a project application followed by an EIR/EIS. If the project is approved, the commodities will be awarded.

## **TRPA**

Ms. Mara Bresnick has been elected the new Chair of the TRPA Governing Board. She has graciously accepted our invitation to speak at one of our Community Outreach meetings. Watch for the date.

Important Governing Board meetings will take place on February 27 for the Community Enhancement Program (CEP) pre-applicant award announcement. Their March 26 meeting will address the Tahoe City Marina Garage project and the Kings Beach Commercial Core.

## **Kings Beach**

The roadway design is still a controversial issue between the two-lane, with roundabouts, and four-lane alternatives. The Placer County Public Works Dept., the North Tahoe Business Association and some citizens favor the two-lane alternative, while a citizens group, the Kings Beach Business Citizen Alliance and CalTrans favor the four-lane alternative.

NTCAA supports the Kings Beach Housing Now (Domus Affordable Housing), Kings Beach Lakeside Resort, Pastore-Ryan offices, and the Kings Beach Town Center with reservations on the building and parking garage heights. We are still reviewing the Ferrari Family Resort.

## **Tahoe Vista**

The Sandy Beach development of interval ownership housing Draft EA/EIR was been released for public review. The public comment period has been extended to March 8. You can review the documentation at the Kings Beach Library or online at the TRPA web site ([www.trpa.org](http://www.trpa.org)). You are strongly encouraged to review the Draft EA/EIR and offer your comments. There will be no public comment period at the TRPA Governing Board meeting for this

draft, therefore, all comments must be submitted in writing. Emails are acceptable. NTCAA has submitted a number of concerns in the project design. These were sent to you under a separate email.

**Tahoe City**

The Tahoe City Marina Parking Garage decision is to be made at the March 26 TRPA Governing Board meeting. NTCAA has taken a position opposing this development as an irresponsible use of Redevelopment Agency funds to benefit a single business when other more pressing needs exist in the Redevelopment Districts on the North Shore.

**Homewood Community**

NTCAA has offered an alternate plan for the Homewood Mountain Resort development, concerning only the real estate development, for consideration. It reflects a reduced scope based on community scale and character, infrastructure, Lake Tahoe environmental effects, and traffic considerations. See our position paper. NTCAA also feels that this project does not belong in the CEP process. (See the Sierra Sun article of February 21 at <http://www.sierrasun.com/article/2008557013877>). Also the Moonshine Ink, February 14 issue, has a very comprehensive article on the proposed development.

**Upcoming Events/Key Date**

Agendas for TRPA Governing Board and APC, and also Placer BOS are not available until a few days before the meeting. Therefore, it is difficult to provide a meaningful emphasis to the meeting. Attendance at events shown in bold type is encouraged. Other meetings/events not shown here will be announced by email.

<b>Wednesday, February 27</b>	<b>TRPA Governing Board CEP Pre-application Decision</b>	<b>9:30 am, TRPA Offices Stateline</b>
Thursday, February 28	Bruce Kranz Coffee	9 am, Gar Woods Restaurant
Thursday, February 28	NLTRA <i>Marketing Goals &amp; Objectives</i>	1 pm, NTCC, Kings Beach
Wednesday, March 5	NLTRA Board Meeting	8:30am, TCPUD Board Room
Tuesday, March 11	NTPUD Board Meeting	3 pm, NTCC Kings Beach
Wednesday, March 12	TRPA APC Meeting	9:30 am, Chateau, Incline Village
Thursday, March 13	NTRAC Meeting	6 pm, NTCC, Kings Beach
Wednesday, March 19	NTPUD Board Meeting	6 pm, TCPUD Board Room
Friday, March 21	TCPUD Board Meeting	8:30 am. TCPUD Board Room
<b>Wednesday, March 26</b>	<b>TRPA Governing Board TC Marina Garage, KBCCIP</b>	<b>9:30 am, Chateau, Incline Village</b>
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TRPA – Tahoe Regional Planning Agency  
 NLTRA – North Lake Tahoe Resort Association  
 TCPUD – Tahoe City Public Utility District  
 NTCC – North Tahoe Conference Center

APC – Advisory Planning Commission  
 NTPUD – North Tahoe Public Utility District  
 NTFPD – North Tahoe Fire Protection District