




Lake Tahoe Best Management Practices Database


User Manual

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	<p>Problem Statement Currently, Lake Tahoe is losing its clarity at a rate of over a foot a year. Research has found that the addition of sediment and nutrients such as nitrogen and phosphorus to Lake Tahoe promotes algal blooms that contribute to this loss of water clarity. Non-point source (NPS) pollution, or pollution originating from many diffuse sources is contributing to this decline. NPS pollution occurs when rain or snow melt causes overland flow, picking up various pollutants from the ground's surface and transporting them directly into the surface waters that lead to Lake Tahoe. Basin-wide application of BMPs is expected to "significantly reduce nutrient loads from surface runoff (Water Quality Management Plans for the Lake Tahoe Basin)."</p> <p>What are BMPs? Best Management Practices are methods to help developed properties function more like natural, undisturbed forest and meadowland. Water that is conveyed to a lake by an undisturbed watershed is usually quite pure, because the watershed's soils and plants act as a natural water purification system. BMPs help developed properties mimic natural conditions, preventing sediment and nutrients from entering our surface waters and filtering runoff water through the soil. By implementing BMPs, property owners can help slow the loss of lake clarity. BMPs prescribed for residential properties usually fall into the following categories: vegetating and mulching bare, disturbed soils; infiltrating storm water runoff from impervious surfaces; paving dirt driveways and roads; and stabilizing or retaining steep slopes and loose soils. Mulching and vegetating soils helps them to absorb rain and snow melt like a sponge, mimicking natural conditions. TRPA regulations require that native and/or adaptive vegetation is planted, reducing the amount of irrigation and fertilization needed, thereby reducing nutrient loading and runoff even further. Runoff from impervious surfaces is stored and infiltrated in specially designed systems.</p>
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Search BMP Database

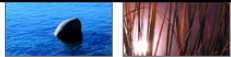
Enter any known search criteria (county, property owner's first or last name, any section of address) and hit enter. Click on the APN hyperlink to view detailed information for the Parcel record.



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Best Management Practices (BMP) Retrofit - Search Site Evaluation

Enter any search criteria and click "Search".

Parcel County:

Evaluation Status:

Assessor's Parcel Number (APN): e.g. (12345666777)

Property Address:

Property Zip Code:

Homeowner First Name:

Homeowner Last Name:

Types of BMP Implemented:

of records per page:

Your search has returned 6 records : 0 - 5

APN	Address	Homeowner	Evaluation	County	Priority Watershed	Compliance Date
093-414-35	3101 Lake Forest Rd #200, Tahoe City, 96145	Fox John E,teresa Smith Trustees	Has Evaluation	Placer	3	10/15/2008
1318-23-310-065	63 Lake Village	John Smith	Has Certificate	Douglas	1	10/15/2008
031-151-13	2569 Knox Ave, South Lake Tahoe, 96150	Smith John D	No Evaluation	City South Lake Tahoe	2	10/15/2006
021-180-06	1881 Stanford Hill Rd, South Lake Tahoe	Smith John J Tr	No Evaluation	El Dorado	3	10/15/2008
025-191-05	3419 Aloha Rd, South Lake Tahoe, 96150	Smith John R	No Evaluation	City South Lake Tahoe	2	10/15/2006
092-130-08	3850 N Lake Blvd, Carmelian Bay, 96140	Smith John W,mary H	Has Evaluation	Placer	3	10/15/2008

You may narrow your search by entering as many search criteria as you can. If you did not find the information you are looking for, you may contact the Nevada Tahoe Conservation District if your parcel is located in Nevada, the Tahoe Resource Conservation District if your parcel is located in California or the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency to request a free BMP Site Evaluation, or [click here](#) to request a BMP Site Evaluation online.

Nevada Tahoe Conservation District (775) 586-1610 x:28

Tahoe Resource Conservation District (530) 543-1501 x:6

Tahoe Regional Planning Agency (775) 588-4547 x:202

Has Certificate

Certificate Revoked



Disclosure Received

Has Evaluation

Evaluation Requested

Release Authorization Required

Site Evaluation Request

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Best Management Practices (BMP) Retrofit - Site Evaluation

Site evaluation is not conducted for this parcel. Please request a site evaluation.
To request a free BMP site evaluation, please complete the information requested below and click submit.

Property Information

Property County *	El Dorado
Assessor's Parcel Number (APN): *	022-343-00
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Property City: *	<input type="text"/>
Property State: *	CA
Zip Code: *	<input type="text"/>


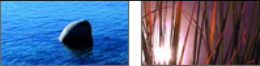
Property Owner Information

Property Owner First Name *	<input type="text"/>
Property Owner Last Name: *	<input type="text"/>
Mailing Address: *	<input type="text"/>
City: *	<input type="text"/>
State: *	<input type="text"/>
Zip Code: *	<input type="text"/>
Phone Number: *	<input type="text"/>
Email:	<input type="text"/>

(*) Indicates Required Fields

Clicking the APN hyperlink from the search results screen will display the site evaluation request for the selected parcel if the parcel has not been evaluated. Update the Property Information and the Property Owner Information and click the Submit button to submit the site evaluation request.

Summary Information

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Print Certificate

Click the **Print Certificate** button on **Summary Information** page to view the **Certificate of Completion**. Use the browser's **File → Print** command to print the certificate.

	TAHOE REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCY	<i>Certificate of Completion</i> <i>Lake Tahoe Basin Best Management Practices</i>
<p>Congratulations, this certificate acknowledges that the subject property has been inspected for and determined to be in compliance with the Best Management Practices (BMPs) pursuant to §25.3 of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency Code of Ordinances. These water quality improvements are required for the purpose of controlling erosion and storm water runoff as well as protecting the natural resources of the Lake Tahoe Basin. The advent of future BMP technologies will not render this certificate void. This certificate is transferable to all successors and assigns as long as the BMPS are maintained and remain effective.</p>		
<u>3641</u> Certificate Number		<u>1318-23-310-065</u> Assessor's Parcel Number
<u>63 Lake Village, NV</u> Property Address	<u>Douglas</u> County	<u>8/16/2004</u> Date Issued
<small><u>Jerry Owens</u> Natural Resource Conservation Service(NRCS) Revised 6/24/2004. Previous editions still valid. <i>This certificate does not constitute a final security inspection or return of project security.</i></small>		

Print Letter

Dear Homeowner:

Thank you for completing the BMPs required on your property. The TRPA Erosion Control Team appreciates your effort to preserve the unique beauty of Lake Tahoe. We would like to take this opportunity to remind you that, like any home improvement, BMPs require routine maintenance to keep them functioning. Routine maintenance will help prevent nuisance situations such as odor and mosquitoes and will help minimize or eliminate the need for repair or replacement. Please take a moment to look over this BMP maintenance guide to make sure your BMP investment will continue to function.

Mulches

- Maintaining an adequate mulch layer is the key to minimizing erosion that can cause labor-intensive maintenance problems with other BMPs. As mulches are worn away by decomposition and foot traffic, it is important to add more mulch to keep the layer at least one to two inches deep.

Gravel Trenches and Drywells

- Visually inspect all gravel infiltration areas to be sure they are still allowing infiltration.
- Remove trash and debris from the surface of the gravel.
- Gravel trenches and drywells will eventually become clogged with fine sediments and will need to be removed, sifted clean, and replaced. BMP design elements such as borders, filter fabric, and drain clean-outs will reduce the necessary maintenance.

Vegetated Infiltration Basins and Swales

- Debris and trash should be removed frequently.
- Vegetation must be healthy in order to provide for adequate filtration and nutrient uptake. This may mean regular watering until the vegetation is established.
- Soil between plants should be covered with one to two inches of mulch to protect soil and also to insulate plant roots and conserve moisture.

Slotted Channel Drains and Swales

- Visually inspect drains and swales after each storm to make sure that they are not blocked with debris.
- Remove debris as necessary. For drains without a removable grate, use a vacuum to remove debris, and don't flush debris with a high-pressure washer or hose, as this will clog the infiltration system.

Remember that any debris or sediment cleaned out of a BMP should be either transported off-site or contained and stabilized on-site where it will be unaffected by wind or water.

Click the Print Letter button on Summary Information page to view the Homeowner Letter. The letter explains maintenance requirements for the BMPs installed Use the browser's File → Print command to print the homeowner letter.

