



Washoe County, Nevada
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Board: South West Truckee Meadows CAB

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Washoe County Library System: www.washoecounty.us/library

Magazine Subscriptions: Due to the ongoing budget cuts, the number of magazines ordered from operating funds next year will be lower than in previous years. The public can help by “adopting” a periodical by paying for a one-year subscription. The donations will allow the library to purchase popular magazines that would otherwise be eliminated. For further information please ask at your local library, call 827-1885 or email chillyard@washoecounty.us

Hours of Operation: Hours and days of operation are changing, effective July 12. The number of open hours systemwide remains nearly the same, but the hours have been realigned in response to comments and suggestions from patrons You can view library operating hours by visiting: www.washoecounty.us/library

For information on other programs and events: visit: www.washoecounty.us/library

Fire Services and Sierra Fire: www.washoecounty.us/mgrsoff/fire_services
www.washoecounty.us/sierrafire

Arrowcreek Fire Station: The July 13 Sierra Fire Protection District Board of Fire Commissioners meeting will include possible direction regarding the methods for community and stakeholder input on Arrowcreek Fire Station.

Fire Master Plan: The July 13 Sierra Fire Protection District Board of Fire Commissioners meeting will include possible approval of updates on the draft action plan for the Fire and Fire based Emergency Medical Services Master Plan.

The Sierra Fire Board of Fire Commissioners meeting begins at 10:00AM and the agenda is available online within the Board of County Commissioners agenda at www.washoecounty.us/bcc/agendas.html.

Regional Parks and Open Space (RPOS): www.washoecounty.us/parks

Iron Rangers: Seven new “Iron Rangers” help meet the challenge of keeping parks open, clean and safe with a greatly reduced operating budget. Iron rangers are secure metal tubes that serve as stand alone donation collection sites. Four have been placed at Rancho San Rafael Regional Park, and one each at Bartley Ranch, Hidden Valley and Galena Creek

Regional Parks. Iron ranger donations will remain within the park where the donations were made and will be used for projects ranging from general park maintenance and trail restoration to the purchase of doggie waste bags.

We need Your Vote! Make sure that the new Galena Creek Recreation and Visitor Center is included in a National Geographic Publication, Sierra Nevada Geotourism Map Guide. Visit the link below to submit your vote!

<http://www.sierranevadageotourism.org/content/galena-creek-recreation-area-and-visitor-center/sie59D51C05204046807>

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Washoe County Department of Water Resources (DWR): www.washoecounty.us/water
New Websites: The newly expanded websites Western Regional Water Commission (WRWC) WRWC (www.wrwc.us) and Northern Nevada Water Planning Commission NNWPC (www.nnwpc.us) are active and will provide access to agendas, minutes, documents, and related links. Please take a look for more in depth information on local and regional water issues.

Washoe County Treasurer's Office: www.washoecounty.us/treas

Property Tax Billing: The Treasurer's Office is preparing the FY10/11 property tax billing and is anticipating that the bills will be in the mail the week of July 19, 2010.

Truckee River Flood Project: www.truckeeflood.us

Flood Warning System: On June 22, the BCC approved the transfer of the Flood Warning System from the Department of Water Resources to the Flood Project effective July 1, 2010. It is estimated that Washoe County will save approximately \$90,000 in general fund dollars due to the transfer with the cities of Reno and Sparks expected to save similar amounts.

Benefits Study: The Flood Project is considering partnering with the University of Nevada, Reno to provide a restoration and recreation benefits analysis study. The study is a tool that could aid federal funding efforts for the overall costs associated with the Flood Project and give taxpayers a clearer understanding of what their tax dollars are buying. Visit the "Newsroom" at www.truckeeflood.us to view a related Sparks Tribune article.

Sheriff's Office: www.washoesheriff.com

Satellite Office Closing: The Washoe County Sheriff's Office, Civil Section satellite offices located at Sparks Justice and Reno Justice Courts will be permanently closed starting July 6th and July 7th. For more information, please contact Liz Stuchell at 328-3310.

Fraudulent Fundraising: Safe guard yourself and non-profit when dealing with unknown persons; don't accept checks that are not signed, request a photo ID, verify the person on the ID is the person presenting the check, and/or contact the financial institution for further information. If you've been a victim of fraud, please contact your local law enforcement agency.

Senior Services: www.washoecounty.us/seniorsrv

Centralized Information Center: The 9th Street Senior Center will provide a centralized reference center for seniors and their caregivers. Staff will provide information about services provided by the County and will help connect patrons to other agencies as needed. The full service center will be open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information please call (775) 328-2575.

Regional Transportation Commission (RTC): www.rtcwashoe.com

Meadowood Interchange Project Groundbreaking: The Meadowood Interchange Project will serve to reduce traffic congestion on US395 near South Virginia Street, South McCarren, and Kietzke. The project groundbreaking event occurred on June 2 and construction will begin in late June. Project bids have been under half of the estimated costs and the project will provide over 100 construction jobs in our area. For more information, contact either NDOT Project Manager Shane Cocking at e-mail: scocking@dot.state.nv.us or by phone: 688-1864 or RTC Project Manager Michele Dennis at e-mail: mdennis@rtcwashoe.com or by phone: 335-1861.

RTC Introduces New Traffic Signal Hotline: 335-ROAD: The RTC Board approved implementation of a new traffic signal hotline for motorists to call and report traffic lights they believe are not working properly. Motorists calling the hotline can leave a recorded message and their complaint will be investigated by the RTC. For more information, contact RTC Traffic Operations Engineer Jim Poston at e-mail: jposton@rtcwashoe.com or by phone: 332-2139.

University of Nevada Cooperative Extension (UNRCE): www.unce.unr.edu

UNCE to advise National Guard agriculture mission to Afghanistan: The National Guard's Agribusiness Development Team is headed to the Logar Province southeast of Kabul, Afghanistan in July to help rejuvenate the area's crippled farming industry. Farming families in the relatively fertile valleys of the Logar River have been disrupted by 30 years of war and the Afghan government is eager to see the decimated agriculture industry there revitalized.

Teamwork and Collaboration: More than 220 teenagers from around the state participate in the "2010 Discover Your Future" program on June 27-30. Discover Your Future is an opportunity for youth ages 14-18 to live on campus and to get a sampling of the different courses of study available at the University of Nevada, Reno.