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ONE TRUCKEE RIVER winter 2018

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Elise Traywick and Patricia Tierney, our new OTR AmeriCo

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OUR NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS:

Forgive us our cliché statement, but 2018 is going to be an incredible year for One Truckee River. And we state that boldly, very well knowing that 2017 was a year of incredible success for OTR.

A look back: Last year we installed mile markers along the river in Reno and Sparks; we distributed a survey to community members to understand knowledge levels of the local watershed; we worked to install life jacket stations in a couple river parks; we mapped amenities along the urban river; and we said a heartfelt farewell to four amazing AmeriCorps, and then welcomed two new ones aboard.

A look forward: This past December we rallied the troops. Four teams were created to address each of the four goals OTR has chosen to focus on this new year: 1) Signage plan and river safety; 2) funding, metrics for success, & structure; 3) housing & sanitation; and 4) storm water, vegetation & watershed management.

The teams will continue to work and meet throughout 2018 to complete actions under the four goal areas. We'll keep you attuned to the progress of each group.

This year we'll also introduce **May as One Truckee River Month**. Thanks to a **Renown** grant, we're working to create a month of celebration showing love to our dear Truckee River.

We're excited to see where the river takes us this year. Happy 2018!

One Truckee River (OTR) works to ensure a healthy, thriving, sustainable river connected to the hearts and minds of its community. The One Truckee River Management Plan guides the coordinated management, protection, and stewardship for the Truckee River across all jurisdictional boundaries and sectors. More information, including the management plan, can be found at www.onetruckeeriver.org.



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2018 SNAPSHOTS

In 2018, the One Truckee River Initiative will focus on four areas to ensure a healthy river connected to the Truckee Meadows community. Those areas of focus are listed below, along with specific goals for the new year.

SIGNAGE PLAN & RIVER SAFETY

 Provide improved safety within river corridor, including adequate signage for boating hazards in the Truckee River.
Review lighting at recreational sites, restrooms and other community facilities along the river.

3. Assess current life jacket stations at river parks, determine further use of the stations along the river.

4. Develop a master signage plan for the Truckee River, including informational, directional and interpretive signs.

FUNDING, METRICS FOR SUCCESS & STRUCTURE

1. Explore placing OTR under regional government oversight to ensure long-term effectiveness.

2. Hire OTR coordinator to facilitate listing sources, deadlines, and funding requirements. Coordinator will also represent OTR at key meetings, to city councils, and be involved in community engagement.

3. Expand funding options for One Truckee River.

HOUSING AND SANITATION

1. Ensure adequate public restrooms along the Truckee River, and include a needle collection apparatus within or nearby restroom facilities.

2. Expand continuum of housing for homeless individuals. Assess different approaches to providing support for mentally ill homeless individuals.

STORM WATER, VEGETATION & WATERSHED MANAGEMENT

 Identify location of all high-volume storm drains and the largest storm water contributions to the Truckee River.
Develop a Truckee River Watershed Management Plan through stakeholder coordination and consensus process.
Develop and implement a coordinated vegetation management plan along the river corridor.



PHOTO CAPTIONS

The Truckee River's very own Loch Ness Monster.
Views from Legacy Trail in Truckee, California.
John Enloe providing updates at the December OTR workshop.
Do you know where you live in the Truckee River Watershed?
Releasing young trout into the river at Truckee River Day.
Flying in a private plane over Pyramid Lake.

Photos by Patricia Tierney and Alex Hoeft





UPCOMING OTR STAKEHOLDER EVENTS

JUNIOR NATURALIST PASSPORT: January 20 (TMPF)

HOMELESS YOUTH POINT-IN-TIME COUNT: January 25 (Eddy House)

TEACHER TRAINING: January 27 (KTMB)

2nd ANNUAL RENO RUN FOR LOVE: February 11 (Desert Sky Adventures)

MAY IS ONE TRUCKEE RIVER MONTH! MORE INFORMATION TO COME. Calendar updates at <u>www.onetruckeeriver.org/calendar</u>