



Tahoe Basin-Truckee River Watershed 12th Annual Snapshot Day

Lower Truckee River segment
May 11th, 9am to 12 noon

TO: COMMUNITY EDUCATORS / FACILITATORS

FROM: Lower Truckee River Snapshot Day coordinator

We have a wonderful opportunity to expand watershed education and to involve students in water quality monitoring with Snapshot Day. However, this event requires the dedication and stewardship of Team Leaders, like YOU.

Snapshot Day is a watershed-wide monitoring event for the Lake Tahoe and Truckee River Watershed communities. Monitoring Teams take a snapshot of the water quality and habitat assessment of the Tahoe Basin, the Truckee River, its tributaries, Lake Tahoe and Pyramid Lake.

The event has a two-fold purpose:

- 1) to collect valuable water quality information, and
- 2) to promote environmental education and stewardship.

Snapshot Day delivers a unique opportunity to offer hands-on experience, to provide a job shadow, and to interact with students seeking to learn. Teacher response to pre-assign classes to monitoring sites nearby their school campus is overwhelmingly positive. So each year I solicit community educators/ facilitators who give their time and expertise to make this event successful and ongoing.

The Snapshot event occurs during the morning hours (approximately 9-noon). Team Leaders facilitate the required water quality monitoring and habitat assessment activities. School educators may include an added activity to complement the program. It makes for a fun and educational fieldtrip!!

If we captivate the students' interest, this also carries over to their parents and into their personal lives.

The benefits to improve the quality of education for our students by actively engaging with their community are exponential.

Hopefully you are able to offer your time on Friday, May 11th. Please **MARK your Calendars!!**
Please let me know if you are able to facilitate and contribute to the success of Snapshot Day.
I hope to hear from you soon!

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Educator / Facilitator Training-Refresher
Wednesday, May 2nd 3-5pm
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