

Dear Property Owner:

Thank you for completing the BMPs required on your property. The TRPA Stormwater Management Program 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 also 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.

#### Maintain the Defensible Space Zone

- In the 0' to 5' zone, remove combustible materials such as dried leaves, pine needles and dead branches or plants. Keep plants pruned and irrigated.
- In the 5' to 30' zone, maintain the "Lean, Clean and Green" area. Remove fallen pine needles and leaves every spring. Do not use mulch in a widespread manner, keep mulch separated by noncombustible materials. Keep plants and trees pruned, removing any dead vegetation. Visit [www.livingwithfire.info](http://www.livingwithfire.info) for more information.

#### Gravel Armor

- Remove trash and debris from the surface of the gravel.
- Gravel armor will eventually become clogged with fine sediments and will need to be removed, sifted clean, and replaced. BMP design elements, such as borders will reduce the necessary maintenance.

#### Vegetation

- 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.
- Use phosphorus free fertilizer. The package label has a nutrient ratio N-P-K. The middle number is "P" for phosphorus. Be sure the number is 0. Lake Tahoe soils contain plenty of phosphorus naturally. Excess "P" in fertilizer will run off your property and end up in Lake Tahoe, fueling plant growth.

#### Gutters and Downspouts

- Visually inspect gutters and downspouts after each storm to make sure that they are not blocked with debris.
- Remove debris as necessary.

#### Slope Protection

- Replace cobbles on a rip-rapped slope, if they fall out.
- Visually inspect slope protection twice per year. If soil continues to migrate to the bottom of the slope or onto paved surfaces, it will need to be enhanced or maintained to keep soil in place.

#### Parking Barriers

- Maintain parking barriers to prevent vehicle access to all unpaved areas by replacing or repairing as needed.

**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.**

If you have any questions or would like more information on maintaining or installing BMPs, you may contact the TRPA Stormwater Management Program at 775-589-5202 or visit our website at [www.tahoebmp.org](http://www.tahoebmp.org). Thank you again for doing your part to keep Tahoe clear.

Sincerely, TRPA Stormwater Management Program



# Source Certificate of Completion

## Lake Tahoe Best Management Practices



This Certificate recognizes your outstanding contribution to restore and protect Lake Tahoe by completing erosion control Best Management Practices (BMPs) pursuant to §60.4 of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency Code of Ordinances.

Due to existing site conditions, TRPA recognizes that full implementation of stormwater infiltration BMPs may not be feasible on this site at this time. This Certificate acknowledges that the subject property is in substantial compliance with TRPA BMP Retrofit Program requirements. In the future, TRPA or other jurisdictions may require that an area-wide stormwater control strategy be implemented for the subject property. Once infiltration is completed either on or off-site for this property, this Certificate may be exchanged for a full BMP Certificate of Completion. This certificate is transferable to all successors and assigns, and remains valid provided the source control BMPs are maintained and continue to be effective.

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**Certificate Number**

033-682-002

**Assessor's Parcel Number**

1668 Nadowa St, South Lake Tahoe, CA, 96150

**Property Address**

El Dorado

**County**

8/2/2011

**Date Issued**