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Welcome to Waddle Ranch

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*Thank you Waddle Ranch donors
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A MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT



Looking west from Dry Lake at sunset. Photo by Kim Kornenich courtesy of the San Francisco Chronicle.

Dear Friends,

In late October, the Truckee Donner Land Trust purchased Waddle Ranch. Acquisition of this spectacular 1,482-acre property was completed in partnership with our steadfast friends and partner, The Trust for Public Land. Gone are the “No Trespassing” signs – Waddle Ranch is now open for you to hike, ski, snowshoe, run and mountain bike. (See the map on page 5.) We hope you will experience what we did visiting the property during the two-year period it took to complete the transaction. Coyotes hunting field mice, bears sunning in a meadow, bald eagles seeking prey, an eight-point buck snacking on bitterbrush, and thousands of ducks, geese and coots congregating on and around the misnamed Dry Lake, as they make a rest stop on their migratory journeys.

The acquisition of Waddle Ranch was, without doubt, one of the Sierra Nevada’s largest and most complicated conservation efforts in recent history. It took six major private and public funding sources and the generosity of our loyal members to meet the \$23.5 million price tag. And it is worth every dime. Had we failed, a massive resort subdivision would have been built in the Martis Valley, with as many as 1,200 new residential units. Simply put, if we wanted to save Martis Valley, we had to buy it. So we did. And the successful partnership and collaboration that was created to save Martis Valley is now being touted as the template for resolving future land use battles, both in our region, and elsewhere in the Sierra Nevada range.

The Truckee Donner Land Trust – your land trust – is emerging as one of the most nimble, collaborative and efficient in the Sierra, if not in all of California. But don’t take my word for it. The Sierra Business Council recently awarded our Executive Director, Perry Norris, its Vision 20/20 award “for his achievement in building one of the most effective

land trusts in California.” The Board is also very proud to note that our Land Conservation Director, Sara Taddo, was recently selected as the Truckee Sunrise Rotary’s “Rotarian of the Year” and that Kellie Wright, our Development Director, was widely quoted in a new book on fundraising for conservation.

With this significant effort and achievement now complete, we will not be resting on our laurels. Your Board continues to direct staff to aggressively pursue our conservation goals. We recently approved a series of new projects in the Martis Valley, near Castle Peak, and in the Truckee and Yuba watersheds. I do not overstate the facts when I say that these projects encompass truly iconic landscapes. With your continued support and encouragement, we are confident that our future holds even greater conservation achievements. But let’s pause – just for a moment – to admire what together we have preserved for ourselves, our children, and all future generations.

Warm regards,

Martin Bern
Board President



A user-friendly trail system already exists on the property. In 2008 we will be adding a new trailhead and links to other trails in the area. Photo courtesy of Olof & Elizabeth Carmel of Carmel Gallery-Downtown Truckee.

DONNER LAKE RIM TRAIL UPDATE

Another busy year building the Donner Lake Rim Trail!

The summer trail building season of 2007 was very productive. Thanks to the hard work of 150 volunteers, we were able to open just under three miles of new trail. Another two miles is already under construction and should be open by next summer. Use of the Donner Lake Rim Trail has exploded this season with the connectivity provided by the two new sections of trail.

The first section of trail is on Forest Service land between Castle Valley and Summit Lake, and provides a scenic and continuous trail route between Tahoe Donner and Donner Summit. This allows hikers and equestrians to take the Rim Trail from Truckee to the Pacific Crest Trail, and allows mountain bicyclists to ride from Truckee to the Hole-in-the-Ground Trail. It crosses meadows, creeks, open granite, and provides panoramic views of Castle Peak and Donner Summit. In the spring and summer this piece of

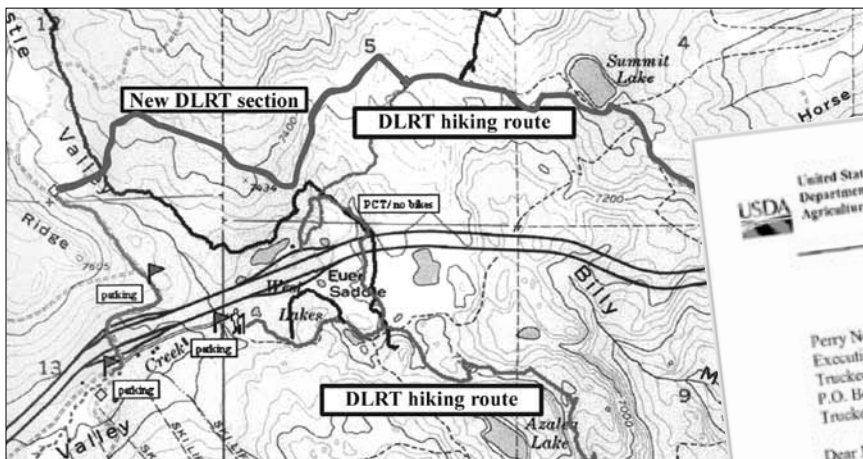
the Rim Trail makes for a beautiful wildflower hike, especially if it is hiked as a loop using the Summit Lake Trail and part of the Pacific Crest Trail.

The other section of trail is called Wendin Way after one of Truckee Donner Land Trust's founding board members, Dan Wendin. It is a new access route from the Donner Lake Interchange/Negro Canyon trailhead to the Rim Trail, loosely following Gregory Creek. The trail was constructed to provide a more scenic, less steep route that is single-track instead of the old road that previously functioned as the access trail. It also allowed the Land Trust to decommission the old, erosive road (see article page 10.) Keep a lookout for animals while on this trail; during construction we regularly saw deer, coyote, bobcat and bear tracks, as well as raptors and upland game birds.



Kids from the Summit 7000 Soccer Academy share a day building the new access trail in Negro Canyon to the DLRT.

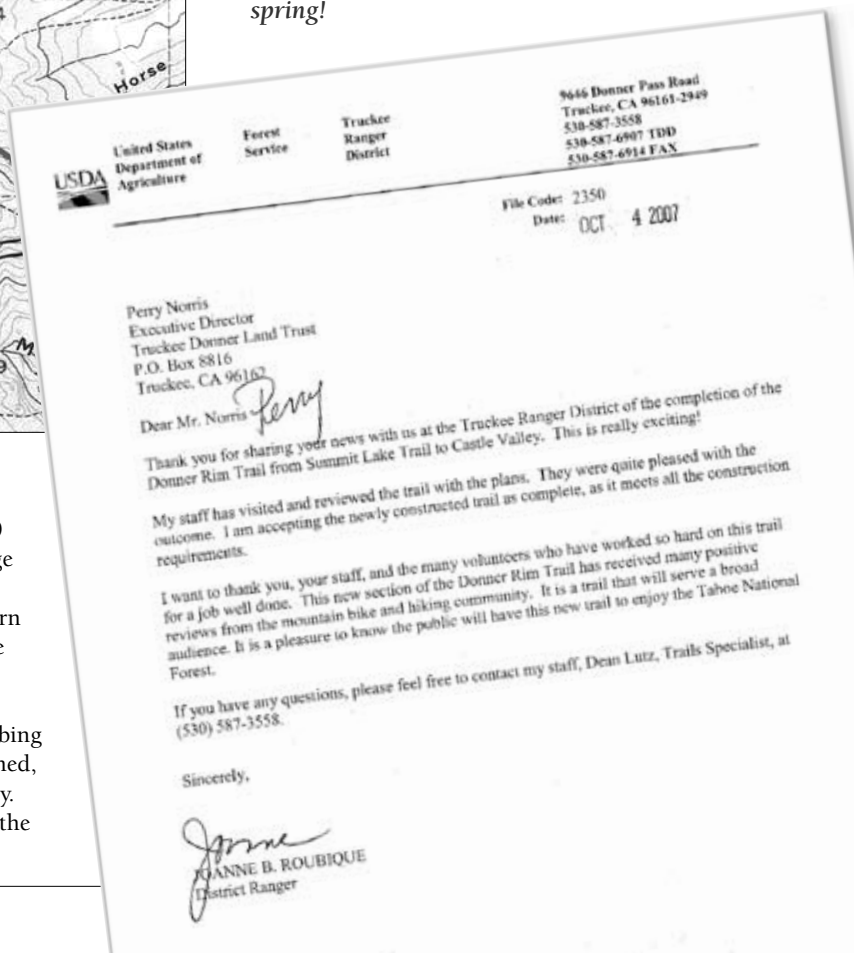
Thank you to all who volunteered their time and money to construct the Donner Lake Rim Trail. Without your support this project would not be possible. See you on the trail next spring!



Access to the new section of the Donner Lake Rim Trail:

For hikers and equestrians: The new section of the Donner Lake Rim Trail can be accessed via the Pacific Crest Trail. Park at the I-80 Pacific Crest Trailhead. (Exit to the south side of I-80 at Boreal Ridge Rd and follow signs to P.C.T. Trailhead. Take the P.C.T. Access Trail to the P.C.T. and proceed north. Upon crossing the first fire road, turn right onto that road. The new section begins about 200 yards up the road, on the right. It is signed.

For mountain bicyclists: Exit I-80 at the Castle Peak/Boreal/P.C.T. Exit and proceed North. Park where the pavement ends. Begin climbing Castle Valley Road. Take the second spur road on the right. It is signed, and the first spur road dead-ends in the meadow almost immediately. Proceed on this road for almost 1/2 mile. The trail is signed and on the right. Note: Bicycles are not allowed on the Pacific Crest Trail.



WADDLE RANCH



Looking south from the Martis Creek National Recreation Area to Waddle Ranch.

After working for nearly three years to line-up \$23.5 million in funding, the Truckee Donner Land Trust, in partnership with The Trust for Public Land, completed the acquisition of Waddle Ranch in the heart of the Martis Valley.

Waddle Ranch is directly east of the popular Martis Creek Lake National Recreation Area. Privately owned since the 1850s, it had been used for grazing cattle and harvesting timber. It remains the most biologically diverse property in the Martis Valley, providing habitat for deer, mountain lion, black bear, and bobcat, as well as for countless species of waterfowl and other birds.

Waddle Ranch had zoning entitlement for up to 1,200 homes. "If we had not succeeded, another resort subdivision in the Martis Valley was inevitable," said the Land Trust's Land Committee Chair, David Brown. "The loss

of this resource and the impacts from its development on the Valley, North Lake Tahoe and Truckee would have been simply dreadful."

But instead the Land Trust staff is now drawing up plans to ready Waddle Ranch for the public to enjoy. The Land Trust expects significant year-round public use. Within days of the announcement that Waddle Ranch was open to the public, hundreds of hikers and mountain bikers visited the property.

Working with rangers from Martis Creek Lake National Recreation Area,

the Land Trust will be investing in new trails, expanded parking, signage and rest rooms with composting toilets. Additionally, the Land Trust will be maintaining existing trails, working on keeping the forest healthy and reducing the risk of catastrophic wildfire.

The Land Trust is committed to being an exemplary steward of Waddle Ranch. Within a week of acquiring the property, the Land Trust had already removed excessive fuel load from 300 forested acres.

Management of Dry Lake as a recreational fishery will also be explored. While closed to fishing by the public for the last half-century, there are rumors of large trout in the lake.

"Our vision is to create seamless and contiguous open space with the Martis Creek Lake National Recreation Area," said Land Conservation Director Sara Taddo.

Waddle Ranch can be accessed from State Route Highway 267 or by crossing the dam at Martis Creek Reservoir. (See map.) The property already has a user-friendly trail system for hiking, running and mountain biking.



The Placer Board of Supervisors at Dry Lake, (from left) Bruce Kranz, Kirk Ulher, Rocky Rockholm and Jim Holmes. Missing is Robert Weygandt. Their leadership played a critical role in protecting Waddle Ranch.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC



An astonishing number of birds and waterfowl can be observed at Waddle Ranch. Photo by Kim Kornenich courtesy of the San Francisco Chronicle.

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David Brown –
Land Trust Land Committee Chair

Future plans call for a new trail to run east from Martis Creek Reservoir Road to the main trail and service road that traverses Waddle Ranch from SR 267 to Dry Lake. (This trail is actually part of the old Shaffer Sawmill Road.) It passes through meadows and forest for approximately 2.5 miles before ending just east of Dry Lake.

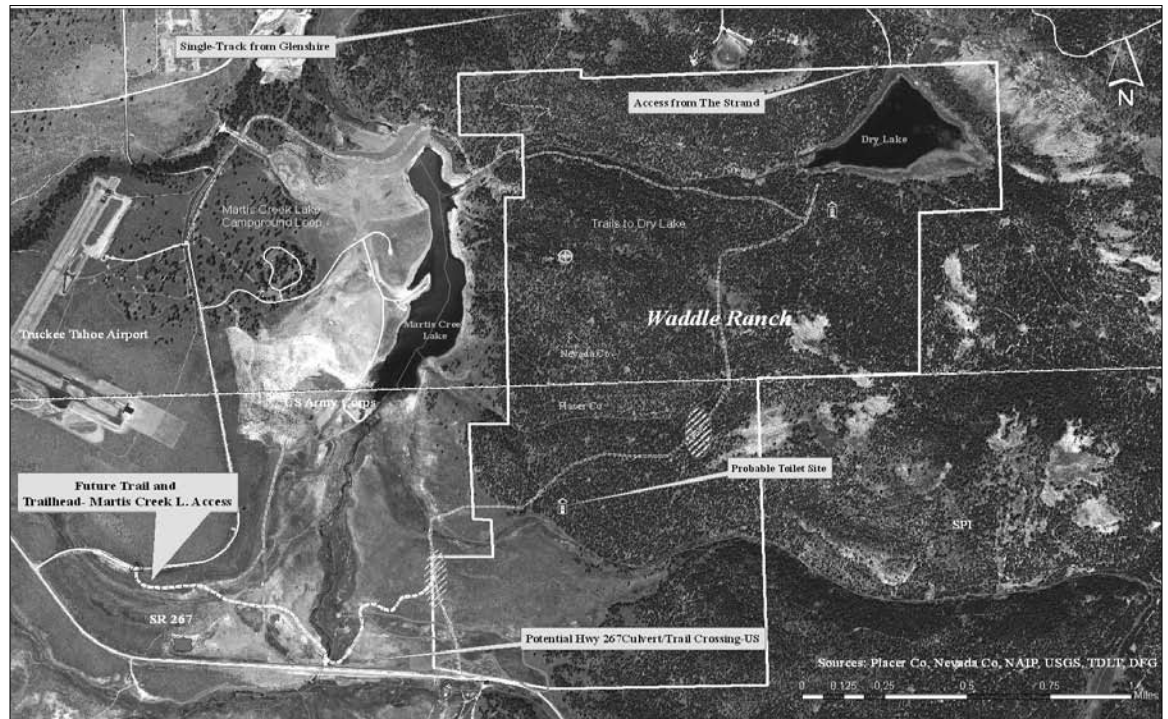
Once the Waddle Ranch management plan is complete, the property will be conveyed to the Truckee Tahoe Airport District. The Land Trust will then hold a conservation easement on the property that prohibits forever any development, including expansion of the airport, at Waddle Ranch.

Funds used for the acquisition came from multiple public and private sources. Placer County contributed \$10 million from open space mitigation fees. This is the largest investment

Placer County has ever made in conservation; a huge debt of gratitude is owed to its Board of Supervisors and staff. The Wildlife Conservation Board added \$6.5 million for the property's habitat values. The Sierra Nevada Cascade Grant Program administered by the State Resources Agency contributed \$2 million and Truckee Tahoe Airport District increased their initial contribution

of \$2 million to \$3 million, imperative to completing the transaction. The balance came from private individuals and foundations. (See the donor list on pages six and seven.)

Additional key partners included the Mountain Area Preservation Foundation, Sierra Watch, East West Partners, DMB Highlands and Timilick at Tahoe.



Planned access trails for Waddle Ranch.

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Thanks to all those who contributed to the Truckee Donner Land Trust and The Trust for Public Land in support of protecting Waddle Ranch.

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 Thank you for your support.**

PROJECT UPDATES

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Perazzo Meadows

The Land Trust, in partnership with The Trust for Public Land, has reached a tentative agreement with the owner on this 980-acre acquisition that includes 2.5 miles of the Little Truckee River. This area is incredibly rich in biological and aquatic habitat value due to its proximity to neighboring public forestland and critical watersheds in the Truckee River system. It is located in the eastern division of the Sierra Nevada checkerboard.

The Sierra checkerboard is a land ownership pattern that alternates between public and private lands, and dates back to the nineteenth century when the federal government granted every other square mile to the railroads as incentive to complete the transcontinental railroad. This checkerboard pattern presents many challenges when addressing management of the forests for forest and watershed health and wild fire response. It is imperative that the most accessible and biologically rich sections of this checkerboard be protected for public use, water quality and biological habitat.



Identified by The Nature Conservancy as a portfolio site, Perazzo Meadows includes 2.5 miles of the Little Truckee River, wetlands and critical habitat.



Currently under contract, a 30-acre wet meadow at 8,200 feet in the Sierra Checkerboard.

Other Checkerboard Acquisitions

Not all our projects are in the hundreds or thousands of acres. We are currently under contract for 30 acres at the head of Perazzo Creek. The property is mostly a wet meadow adjacent to one of oldest stands of red fir in the Tahoe National Forest. Additionally, we should have another 440-acres just south of White Rock Lake signed-up by the end of the year. We are hoping both of these acquisitions will eventually be added to the proposed Castle Peak Wilderness Area.

Donner Memorial State Park

We are in the early stages of working to protect over 300 acres at the western end of the Donner Lake Watershed below Donner Summit. The area has considerable biological importance and fantastic potential for new trails connecting to the Summit and Schallenberger Ridge.



Schallenberger Ridge on the right, 1,972 acres, acquired in 2002 and now part of Donner Memorial State Park. In 2007, the Land Trust later added another 300 acres to Donner Memorial State Park and are hoping to add several hundred more acres in 2008.

PROJECT UPDATES



A group of birders enjoying the many rewards of the Martis Valley. The lush wet meadows of the Martis Valley provide ideal habitat for a number of species.

Donner Summit

We closed this summer on a 23-acre conservation easement on Donner Summit. The acquisition was funded through an anonymous donor. We continue to explore conservation options on the Summit. We have started discussions to acquire more than 1,800 acres on Donner Summit.



Tall skis, bear-trap bindings and wool britches, the Warming Hut while its rope tow was in use, circa 1956. The Warming Hut was designed by renowned San Francisco architect, George Homsey. Photo by George Homsey.



Arguably the most dramatic canyon along the I-80 corridor, Gray Creek drops nearly 6,000 feet in six miles.

Airport Flats

Airport Flats is the wide-open landscape across from the new Ag station on I-80. Keeping this area open space is a high priority for the Town. East West Partners, the Town of Truckee and the Land Trust reached agreements on transferring development rights from Airport Flats to East West's Old Greenwood development immediately west of Airport Flats. East West would purchase 73 acres and donate the land to the Land Trust in exchange for being able to develop 26 additional units within Old Greenwood.



Airport Flats is considered the gateway to the Truckee Community.

TRUCKEE RIVER DAY



Volunteers from Truckee High School help out on Truckee River Day.

Restoration and a new trail completed in Negro Canyon

Over 100 volunteers from Truckee High School joined Land Trust staff on Truckee River Day to decommission an old logging road on the east fork of Gregory Creek in Negro Canyon.

After years of use and degradation from poor drainage, the dirt road was severely eroded, releasing large amounts of sediment into Gregory Creek and Donner Lake. The road had become unpleasant and difficult to hike or bike. In the past, the dirt road had served as an informal access trail for the Donner Lake Rim Trail. Following purchase of the eastern portion of Negro Canyon by the Land Trust earlier this year, a much more enjoyable and environmentally-sound access trail was constructed immediately east of the old road.

The new trail and eradication of the logging road were funded through a generous grant provided by the Truckee Tahoe Community Foundation's Nature Fund.

The new trail, constructed by scores of volunteers and under the direction of Donner Lake Rim Trail Coordinator John Svahn, has opened to rave reviews.

The United States Forest Service OHV road to Summit Lake remains open and is clearly marked.



Who would have thought de-commissioning an old logging road could be so much fun?

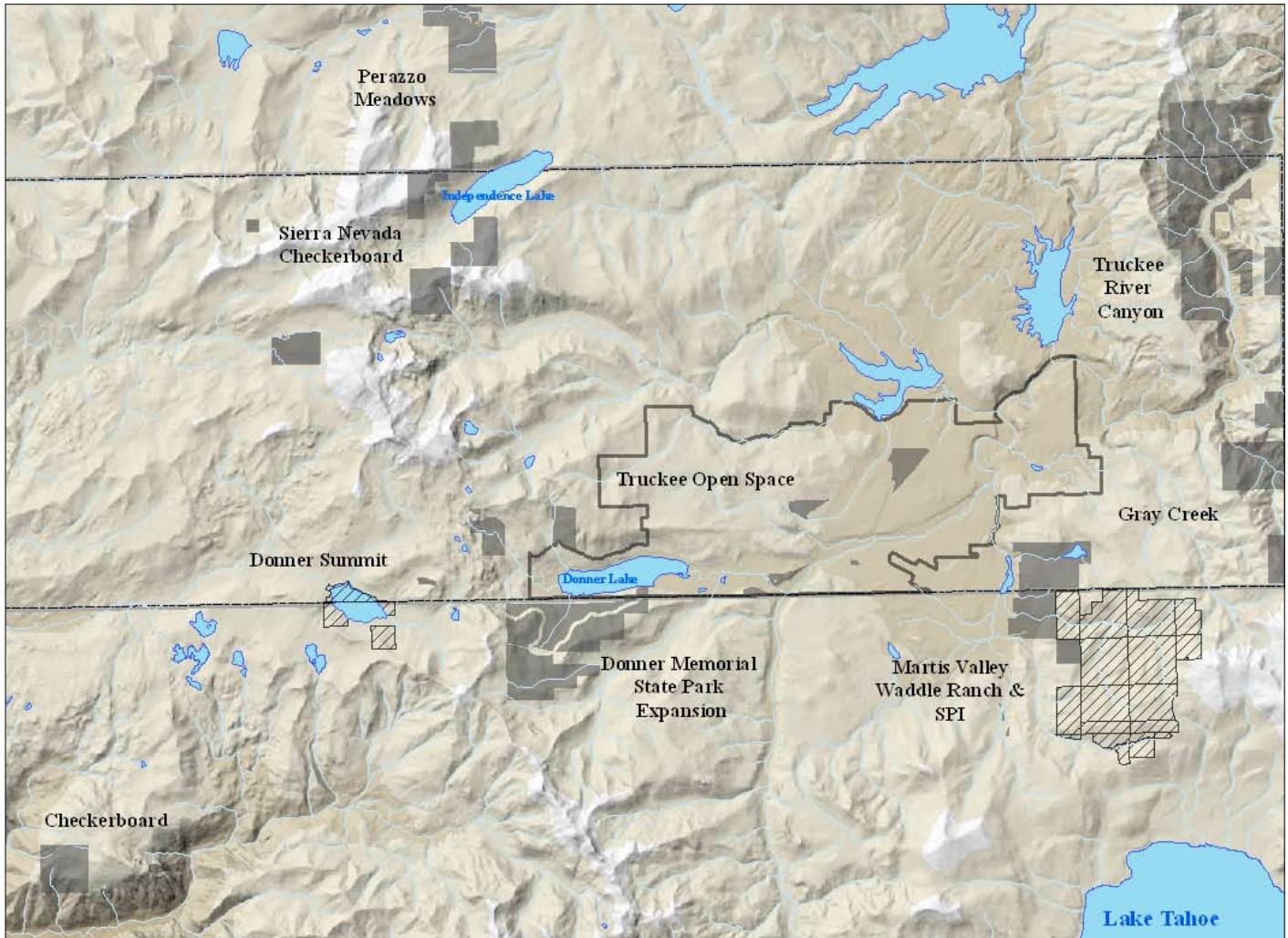


A hearty thank you to Integrated Environmental Restoration Services of Tahoe City for their expertise and for donating thousands of dollars worth of services to complete this project.

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LEAVE A LEGACY OF OPEN SPACE...

The Land Under Our Feet...hiking Schallenger Ridge, skiing Coldstream Canyon, or simply enjoying the stunning views of the surrounding peaks from the Donner Lake Rim Trail.

Leave a legacy and help us protect open spaces for future generations by including the Truckee Donner Land Trust in your will or other estate plans.

Estate gifts can reduce your income taxes, reduce or eliminate capital gain taxes, reduce your gift or estate tax, provide income to you and your loved ones, and help support our efforts to protect our area's most important treasures.

Leaving a bequest is simple and gives you the freedom to make a significant difference. To make a bequest, consult with your legal advisor or contact our office.



Thank you to the following businesses for participating in our Buck for Open Space Program

- Best Western Truckee Tahoe Inn
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IN MEMORY OF...

George Carne



George Carne, a world traveler, grew-up in Nebraska and enjoyed golfing, hiking, cross-country skiing and volunteering. Although George visited most of the world, the Sierra was his first love. He often said, "Truckee is the best playground in the world."

He moved to Truckee in the 1960s and built a passive solar home in Tahoe Donner. Even into his 80's, George spent countless days, skiing and hiking. He spent each and everyday enjoying the land he loved.

George had three children, John, Kate and Sidney, and five grandchildren. The Land Trust is honored that John and Sue Carne, along with family and friends, lovingly set up a memorial fund in George's name. He will be missed.

Don McCormack



Don McCormack, a civic leader in Truckee with few peers, passed away in June of this year. After a lengthy and accomplished career with Shell Oil Co., Don and his wife Diane and their much-loved Dachshunds, retired to Truckee.

In "retirement" Don turned his considerable energies toward local government and community service. He was elected to two terms on the Truckee Town Council and twice served as Mayor. He served as board president of the Tahoe Donner Association and the Truckee Donner Land Trust. He was a board member of the Truckee River Watershed Advisory Group, Nevada County Solid Waste Commission, Nevada County Local Agency Formation Commission, League of California Cities Task Force and a number of other government committees.

In recognition of his ongoing efforts, in 2003 the Truckee Rotary Club awarded him its "Service Above Self Award." Later taking on one of his more difficult assignments, at the time of his death he was chairman of the Airport Community Advisory Team.

Don was known for his fair, balanced, prepared and thoughtful ways. He was a people person with friends from all walks of life, was young at heart, cheerful and a wonderful host. He was proud of his wife and children, and happy beyond words with his retirement life in Truckee.

Tiki Parker

Long-time Land Trust supporter Tiki Parker passed away this October. Tiki was married to Hal Parker, one of the founders of the Donner Lake Rim Trail, for 52 years.

To her many friends and family, "Giving, living, loving and laughing will forever be the Tiki way." Tiki had a full and adventurous life. Her creativity and gutsy attitude towards life was inspiring, especially to her children. She was an accomplished artist and won many awards at the Marin County Fair for her cloisonné jewelry, photo memory quilts and pine needle baskets.



Tiki passionately participated in the Marin County Community where she lived for over 50 years. She was the voice of KTIM's Terra Linda Home Town News and a writer for many Marin County publications.

Tiki shared Hal's dream to build a trail around Donner Lake to be enjoyed and treasured for generations to come.

All memorial gift donors will be noted in our Spring 2008 newsletter.

Looking for the perfect gift for someone who seems to have everything?

Give the gift of open space for all occasions.

An honorary gift is a thoughtful way to show your friends and family how much you care about them and the environment. Call the Land Trust at 530-582-4711 for more information.

BUSINESS PARTNER PROFILE

David Robertson of Lost Trail Lodge

David Robertson moved to Tahoe City as a young boy in 1966. . “ I would rise early before being bused to Truckee for school, and ride my bike to Page Meadows; I couldn’t get enough of it.” In winter he skied and worked at Granlibakken

In 1998, after a short stay in Montana, David returned to Truckee. His love of the backcountry, skiing, and a passion for music led him to build Lost Trail Lodge. Surrounded by forest in Coldstream Canyon, the off-the-grid Lodge offers ideal access to some of the Sierra’s best backcountry skiing and ski-touring, hiking, and climbing. On a snowy day David can be found at the Lodge’s piano, or in front of the fire with mandolin or bass guitar in hand.

Commenting on his support of the Land Trust, David said,

“I feel the backcountry should be available to all, not just a few.” The Land Trust, with the community’s support, is making this possible.” We would like to thank David Robertson, his family and Lost Trail Lodge for their support. The Land Trust could not accomplish its goals without partnerships with folks like David Robertson.

For more information about Lost Trail Lodge visit www.losttrailodge.com or call (530) 320-9268.



David Robertson also serves as Chief Entertainer for Lost Trail Lodge, a homey sanctuary deep in Coldstream Canyon.

Have you renewed your 2007 membership? A long-time supporter will match your contribution dollar for dollar if you maintain or increase your giving.

Please help protect more of the open spaces you value. Call 530-582-4711 to give by phone.

BOARD UPDATE

Welcome Chris Fellows

The Land Trust Board of Directors is pleased to announce the election of Chris Fellows to the Board. With his wife Jenny,

Chris is the founder and owner of the North America Ski Training Center, a high performance ski school based in Truckee.

“I am thrilled to be on the Land Trust’s Board,” Chris said. “Like a lot of folks, I am concerned about the pace of development and the loss of natural lands in the Truckee Donner region. I like the Land Trust’s approach of creating a win-win for public and private interests.”

“Truckee is at its heart still a ski town, and Chris is very connected to the ski industry,” Board President Martin



Chris on the hill making it look so easy.

Bern said. “He’ll be a real asset to the Land Trust’s Board.”

Chris is on the Professional Ski Instructors of America National Demonstration Team and also serves on its Board of Directors.

Chris and Jenny and their three children, Colter, Monique and Heath, live in Tahoe Donner.



Chris and Jenny and their three children, Monique, Heath and Colter.

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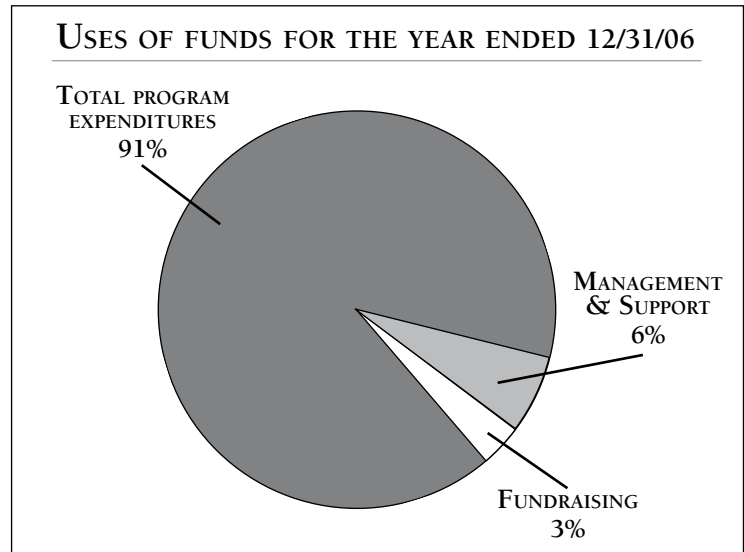
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A LEAN SHIP

Truckee Donner Land Trust understands donors expect their contributions will be put to good use. We are proud of running a lean and efficient organization. The chart and table below provide summary information for the most recent fiscal year. If you have questions or would like to receive a copy of the Land Trust's IRS form 990 or audited financial statements please contact our Associate Director, Stan Wingate at stan@tdlandtrust.org.



SUMMARY OF LANDS CONSERVED

1/1/07 through 10/31/07		Total from founding (1990) through 10/31/07	
Number of Projects Completed	4	Number of Projects Completed	35
Acres	4,791	Acres	12,442
Fair Market Value	\$25,877,300	Fair Market Value	\$43,844,999



Our latest acquisition, Waddle Ranch, is open for the public to enjoy.

TRAILS & VISTAS 4th Annual – “Passages” – September 9, 2007



Chief Red Hawk performs native flute songs.

Trails & Vistas was a great success with all tickets sold out. Over 450 hikers enjoyed a unique art event that offered the Truckee and North Lake Tahoe community an original art production that involved dance, music and installation art on a hike on the Pacific Crest Trail.

Trails & Vistas is a partnership of three local non-profit organizations, The Truckee Donner Land Trust, InnerRhythms Dance Theatre and Arts For the Schools. As an event partner, we believe this art walk strengthens the ties between art and the environment while increasing awareness of conservation.



A Balinese Legong dancer was accompanied by the traditional Gamelan Sekar Jaya orchestra.



InnerRhythms Dance Theatre performing in a meadow. Trails & Vistas photos courtesy of Jeff Engerbretson.

A special thanks to founder and Creative Director, Nancy Tieken Lopez, Choreographer, Elizabeth Archer and Graphic Designer, Cesar Lopez, and to all the artists and volunteers for making this year’s event a great success!

Please visit www.trailsandvistas.com for more information.

“SEASONS OF MARTIS”

Many thanks to our local art community.

More than 70 artists from the Truckee-Tahoe region and around the country collaborated in the Seasons of Martis, an exhibit spanning four local art galleries and the month of October. The exhibit conveyed the story of the Martis Valley through color and form while helping raise funds for the Land Trust’s acquisition of Waddle Ranch. The 1,500 ranch is at the heart of Martis Valley.

Seasons of Martis included the first Plein Air, or outdoor painting, event organized by local artists and gallery owners. The paintings, created over a single weekend by 20 talented artists, were later auctioned with part of the proceeds donated to the Land Trust.

Many thanks to:

Laura Read	Judy Mayorga
Truckee Gallery	Andy Skaff
Carmel Gallery	East West Partners
Downtown Truckee	through the Tahoe
Riverside Studios	Mountain Resort
North Tahoe Arts	Foundation



Reno artist, Mike Callahan, braves the cold to participate in the Seasons of Martis Plein Air art event.

Thank you to each of the 35 local artists and 32 plein air artists who explored and interpreted Martis Valley for Seasons of Martis.

The Truckee Donner Land Trust was founded in 1990 in order to preserve and protect important historic, recreational and scenic open spaces in the greater Truckee region.

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The misnamed Dry Lake at Waddle Ranch. Photo by Kim Kornenich courtesy of the San Francisco Chronicle.



This gentleman has been spotted numerous times at Waddle Ranch. Photo by Kim Kornenich courtesy of the San Francisco Chronicle.



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