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TMWA'S FREE WORKSHOP SERIES RETURNS THIS SPRING

TMWA offers a series of free workshops to help residents prepare their irrigation system and yard for the spring and summer season. Topics for the workshops include sprinkler and drip system startup and maintenance, tree care and water quality.

Visit tmwa.com/events for dates and registration, or call 775-834-8290. All workshops are free and held at TMWA facilities.

TMWA'S SMART ABOUT WATER DAY: JOIN US ON MAY 4 AT IDLEWILD PARK

Learn all about water in the Truckee Meadows from the status of our water supply to irrigation and landscaping. Mark your calendars for TMWA's Smart About Water Day. It happens on Saturday, May 4, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the California Building in Reno's Idlewild Park. Our highly skilled staff of operators, scientists and engineers will be ready to answer your questions about water in the Truckee Meadows.

Smart About Water Day is a free event, so drop in anytime between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. to learn firsthand about water planning for growth and water resource management in the Truckee Meadows. Community partners from Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency, Truckee Meadows Flood Management Authority, The Nature Conservancy, Western Regional Water Commission and Northern Nevada Water Planning Commission will also be there and will be happy to answer any questions you may have beyond drinking water.

Smart About Water Day is also for kids. Sierra Nevada Journeys will be on-site with watershed activities allowing kids to become scientists for the day through interactive water quality testing. TMWA's big rigs will also be on display, where kids can explore and learn about how the equipment functions.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:
SMART ABOUT WATER DAY
SATURDAY, MAY 4, 10 A.M. – 2 P.M.
CALIFORNIA BLDG, IDLEWILD PARK, RENO
FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

Landscaping and irrigation workshops will be scheduled throughout the day, as will arbor tours, where you can learn all about what trees require to stay healthy in every season. TMWA's experts will also present short talks to help put this season's snowpack into perspective, provide insight into the upcoming Water Resource Plan update and share insights into TMWA's water infrastructure planning for the foreseeable future.

Learning so much about our water system might leave you hungry, but you won't have to scramble for lunch because several food trucks will be on-site to serve up an array of cuisine and treats during the event.

Join us and get the facts about your water direct from the people who know most about it! More details on presentation topics and times will be added as we get closer to the event! For the latest information, go to www.tmwa.com/2019event.

OUR WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK: EXCELLENT!

Here is the latest update on our water supply as of this printing, March 15:

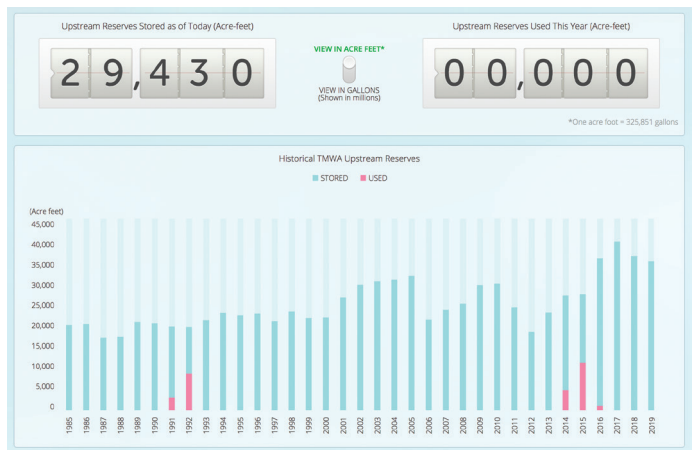
February was truly a gigantic month for Sierra Nevada snowpack and our regional water supply. It will go down in the record books as one of the largest in terms of both snowfall and precipitation that the region has ever experienced. Snowpack measurement sites received, on average, over 20" of precipitation over the course of the month. Some of the upper elevation sites above 8,000 ft., like Mount Rose and Independence Lake, recorded close to 30" of precipitation, significantly adding to the water content of the snowpack. Basin-wide, snowpack totals are currently 175 percent of normal or greater. This has dramatically improved the water supply outlook for the Truckee Meadows.

"Typically, by the end of February which is the last of the Sierra Nevada's three prime snowpack-producing months, the mold has been cast for the rest of the water year," said Bill Hauck, TMWA's senior hydrologist. "March, which has started off nicely, would only be a bonus," he added.

Springtime snowmelt runoff is captured and stored in upstream reservoirs to augment natural river flows and our water supply when needed. Lake Tahoe is forecasted to fill for the third year in a row, as are all the other reservoirs in the Truckee River system.

"When Lake Tahoe fills, it's like pushing the reset button for the region's water supply, and the outlook for the region just couldn't be any better. A full Lake Tahoe virtually assures the prospect of having normal Truckee River flows over the course of the next two to three years, which is fantastic news for our region," Hauck said. TMWA uses only about 3 percent of Truckee River flows in an average year. Surface water from the river makes up about 85 percent of our total supply.

Keep up with the most current storage volume in our reservoirs by visiting TMWA's Upstream Reserves Tracker at www.tmwa.com/reserves.



UPSTREAM RESERVES STORED AS OF MARCH 2019

WHERE TO CALL

GENERAL INQUIRIES: 834-8080
 EMERGENCY REPAIR: 834-8090
 WATER CONSERVATION: 834-8005
 WATER QUALITY: 834-8118
 WATER RIGHTS: 834-8029
 OMBUDSMAN: 848-0813



Truckee Meadows Water Authority is a not-for-profit, community-owned water utility, overseen by elected officials and citizen appointees from Reno, Sparks and Washoe County. TMWA employs a highly skilled team who ensure the treatment, delivery and availability of high-quality drinking water around the clock for more than 400,000 residents of the Truckee Meadows.

HOLIDAYS & EVENTS

SMART ABOUT WATER DAY AT IDLEWILD PARK
 MAY 4, 10 A.M.-2 P.M.

STANDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
 MAY 7 AT 3 P.M.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
 MAY 23 AT 10 A.M.

Several landscaping and irrigation workshops are planned for May; locations and details for all workshops and meetings can be found at tmwa.com/news/events-calendar.

