

3125 California Tahoe Conservancy

The California Tahoe Conservancy's mission is to protect and sustain the unique natural resources and recreational opportunities in the Lake Tahoe Basin. The Conservancy achieves its mission by developing and implementing programs that acquire environmentally sensitive land, provide grants or directly fund soil erosion prevention and watershed restoration, improve stream environments and wildlife habitats, and improve water quality. The Conservancy also balances these activities with programs to improve public access and recreational opportunities in an environmentally sound manner by acquiring lakefront property, constructing pedestrian and bike paths, and building public access facilities.

The Conservancy is also a key component of the Environmental Improvement Program (EIP) which is a 1997 agreement between California, Nevada, the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency, the federal government, local governments, and various private entities to commit \$908 million over 10 years to a list of acquisition and capital improvement projects needed to achieve environmental goals in the Basin.

Since department programs drive the need for infrastructure investment, each department has a related capital outlay program to support this need. For the specifics on the Tahoe Conservancy's Capital Outlay Program, see "Infrastructure Overview."

3-YR EXPENDITURES AND POSITIONS (Summary of Program Requirements)

	Positions			Expenditures		
	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2005-06*	2006-07*	2007-08*
10 Tahoe Conservancy	26.8	40.6	40.6	\$19,871	\$25,083	\$29,708
TOTALS, POSITIONS AND EXPENDITURES (All Programs)	26.8	40.6	40.6	\$19,871	\$25,083	\$29,708
FUNDING				2005-06*	2006-07*	2007-08*
0001 General Fund				\$-	\$189	\$192
0005 Safe Neighborhood Parks, Clean Water, Clean Air, and Coastal Protection Bond Fund				149	157	1,222
0140 California Environmental License Plate Fund				2,898	3,195	3,240
0262 Habitat Conservation Fund				100	134	112
0286 Lake Tahoe Conservancy Account				789	472	457
0568 Tahoe Conservancy Fund				202	213	215
0995 Reimbursements				198	60	60
6029 California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Fund				3,166	8,210	1,193
6031 Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Fund of 2002				12,369	12,453	9,700
6051 Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Fund of 2006				-	-	13,317
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES, ALL FUNDS				\$19,871	\$25,083	\$29,708

LEGAL CITATIONS AND AUTHORITY

DEPARTMENT AUTHORITY

Government Code, Title 7.42, commencing with Section 66905.

PROGRAM AUTHORITY

10-Resource Management:

Public Resources Code Section 5096.351 and Section 5096.650(b); and Water Code Section 79542.

50-Acquisition and Site Improvement Projects:

Fish and Game Code Section 2780 et seq.; Government Code Section 66950 et seq.; Public Resources Code Section 5096.351 and 5096.650(b); Vehicle Code Section 5075; and Water Code Section 79542.

MAJOR PROGRAM CHANGES

- Implementation of the Environmental Improvement Program (EIP) - The Budget provides \$23.5 million from various funds for support and local assistance to continue the state's efforts to support the EIP for the Lake Tahoe Basin.
- Fuels Reduction - The Budget provides \$716,000 Proposition 84 funds for equipment to support the Conservancy's existing ReGreen Program.

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DETAILED BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

	2006-07*			2007-08*		
	General Fund	Other Funds	Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Positions
Baseline Adjustment Descriptions						
• Other Baseline Adjustments	\$9	\$173	-	\$12	\$194	-
• Propositions 40 and 50 Carryovers	-	7,615	-	-	-	-
• Removal of Bond Fund One Time Costs	-	-	-	-	-12,000	-
Totals, Baseline Adjustments	\$9	\$7,788	-	\$12	-\$11,806	-
Policy Adjustment Descriptions						
• Implementation of the Environmental Improvement Program (Support and Local Assistance)	\$-	\$-	-	\$-	\$23,719	-
• Tahoe Fuels Reduction	-	-	-	-	716	-
Totals, Policy Adjustments	\$-	\$-	-	\$-	\$24,435	-
TOTALS, BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS	\$9	\$7,788	-	\$12	\$12,629	-

PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS (Program Objectives Statement)

10 RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

The Conservancy has established a property management program in order to arrange for day-to-day management and maintenance of the lands it has acquired, as well as the completion of corrective and restorative actions needed to fully achieve the purposes of the acquisitions. It is envisioned that the Conservancy ultimately will acquire up to 6,000 environmentally sensitive parcels under existing criteria. To date over 4,600 parcels, totaling nearly 6,400 acres, have been acquired. These parcels are being managed to maintain and/or restore their natural functions, provide for public safety, and provide for open spaces.

The Conservancy has also acquired additional parcels where more extensive site improvements or more active ultimate uses are envisioned. For example, the management objectives for the public access and recreation lands are to allow for suitable and appropriate interim uses during the site improvement planning and implementation process, design and construct public access facilities and arrange for long-term management.

In addition, high rates of tree mortality (25 percent-40 percent) throughout the Basin have required special emphasis on forest resource management activities to reduce fuel hazards, remove hazardous conditions, start corrective actions to manage forest health through a variety of means, and limit public liability. Activities include the removal of diseased, dead and dying trees to promote forest health while reducing the risk of fire that would destroy property and habitat, threaten lives, and diminish the water quality and other resource values of Lake Tahoe.

The program also provides grants to local governments to improve the Lake's water quality by controlling soil erosion caused by existing development, primarily along roadways, and to treat sediment-laden runoff. These projects involve acquisitions and site improvements such as the revegetation of barren slopes, and building roadside and storm drainage facilities and sediment basins.

50 ACQUISITION AND SITE IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

This program acquires environmentally sensitive lands and provides public access and recreation by enhancing existing facilities and establishing new public access sites along the Lake and in natural areas. The program also preserves a wide variety of habitats supporting endangered, threatened or rare animal and plant species, and restores streams and watersheds such as marshes, meadows and riparian areas to mitigate development damage and enhance water quality.

DETAILED EXPENDITURES BY PROGRAM (Program Budget Detail)

		2005-06*	2006-07*	2007-08*
PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS				
10	TAHOE CONSERVANCY			
	State Operations:			
0001	General Fund	\$-	\$189	\$192
0005	Safe Neighborhood Parks, Clean Water, Clean Air, and Coastal Protection Bond Fund	149	157	226
0140	California Environmental License Plate Fund	2,898	3,195	3,240
0262	Habitat Conservation Fund	100	134	112
0286	Lake Tahoe Conservancy Account	374	472	457

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	<u>2005-06*</u>	<u>2006-07*</u>	<u>2007-08*</u>
0568 Tahoe Conservancy Fund	202	213	215
0995 Reimbursements	60	60	60
6029 California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Fund	629	659	71
6031 Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Fund of 2002	372	389	700
6051 Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply Flood Control River and Coastal Protection Fund of 2006	-	-	935
Totals, State Operations	\$4,784	\$5,468	\$6,208
Local Assistance:			
0005 Safe Neighborhood Parks, Clean Water, Clean Air, and Coastal Protection Bond Fund	\$-	\$-	\$996
0286 Lake Tahoe Conservancy Account	415	-	-
0995 Reimbursements	138	-	-
6029 California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Fund	2,537	7,551	1,122
6031 Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Fund of 2002	11,997	12,064	9,000
6051 Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Fund of 2006	-	-	12,382
Totals, Local Assistance	\$15,087	\$19,615	\$23,500
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES			
State Operations	4,784	5,468	6,208
Local Assistance	15,087	19,615	23,500
Totals, Expenditures	\$19,871	\$25,083	\$29,708

EXPENDITURES BY CATEGORY (Summary By Object)

1 State Operations	Positions			Expenditures		
	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2005-06*	2006-07*	2007-08*
PERSONAL SERVICES						
Authorized Positions (Equals Sch. 7A)	26.8	41.3	41.3	\$1,607	\$2,182	\$2,233
Total Adjustments	-	-	-	-	117	102
Estimated Salary Savings	-	-0.7	-0.7	-	-20	-20
Net Totals, Salaries and Wages	26.8	40.6	40.6	\$1,607	\$2,279	\$2,315
Staff Benefits	-	-	-	574	718	728
Totals, Personal Services	26.8	40.6	40.6	\$2,181	\$2,997	\$3,043
OPERATING EXPENSES AND EQUIPMENT				<u>\$2,603</u>	<u>\$2,471</u>	<u>\$3,165</u>
TOTALS, POSITIONS AND EXPENDITURES, ALL FUNDS (State Operations)				\$4,784	\$5,468	\$6,208
2 Local Assistance				Expenditures		
				<u>2005-06*</u>	<u>2006-07*</u>	<u>2007-08*</u>
Grants and Subventions				<u>\$15,087</u>	<u>\$19,615</u>	<u>\$23,500</u>
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES, ALL FUNDS (Local Assistance)				\$15,087	\$19,615	\$23,500

DETAIL OF APPROPRIATIONS AND ADJUSTMENTS (Reconciliation with Appropriations)

1 STATE OPERATIONS	2005-06*	2006-07*	2007-08*
0001 General Fund			
APPROPRIATIONS			

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1 STATE OPERATIONS	2005-06*	2006-07*	2007-08*
001 Budget Act appropriation	0	\$180	\$192
Allocation for employee compensation	-	8	-
Adjustment per Section 3.60	-	1	-
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES	\$-	\$189	\$192
0005 Safe Neighborhood Parks, Clean Water, Clean Air, and Coastal Protection Bond Fund			
APPROPRIATIONS			
001 Budget Act appropriation	\$150	\$151	\$226
Allocation for employee compensation	-	5	-
Adjustment per Section 3.60	-1	1	-
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES	\$149	\$157	\$226
0140 California Environmental License Plate Fund			
APPROPRIATIONS			
001 Budget Act appropriation	\$2,912	\$3,088	\$3,240
Allocation for employee compensation	3	95	-
Adjustment per Section 3.60	-12	12	-
Totals Available	\$2,903	\$3,195	\$3,240
Unexpended balance, estimated savings	-5	-	-
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES	\$2,898	\$3,195	\$3,240
0262 Habitat Conservation Fund			
APPROPRIATIONS			
001 Budget Act appropriation	\$100	\$131	-
Allocation for employee compensation	-	3	-
Fish and Game Code Section 2787(d)	-	-	\$112
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES	\$100	\$134	\$112
0286 Lake Tahoe Conservancy Account			
APPROPRIATIONS			
001 Budget Act appropriation	\$376	\$458	\$457
Allocation for employee compensation	-	13	-
Adjustment per Section 3.60	-2	1	-
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES	\$374	\$472	\$457
0568 Tahoe Conservancy Fund			
APPROPRIATIONS			
001 Budget Act appropriation	\$202	\$207	\$215
Allocation for employee compensation	-	5	-
Adjustment per Section 3.60	-	1	-
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES	\$202	\$213	\$215
0995 Reimbursements			
APPROPRIATIONS			
Reimbursements	\$60	\$60	\$60
6029 California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Fund			
APPROPRIATIONS			
001 Budget Act appropriation	\$631	\$635	\$71
Allocation for employee compensation	1	21	-
Adjustment per Section 3.60	-3	3	-
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES	\$629	\$659	\$71
6031 Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Fund of 2002			
APPROPRIATIONS			
001 Budget Act appropriation	\$374	\$376	\$700
Allocation for employee compensation	-	12	-

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	2005-06*	2006-07*	2007-08*
1 STATE OPERATIONS			
Adjustment per Section 3.60	-2	1	-
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES	\$372	\$389	\$700
6051 Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Fund of 2006			
APPROPRIATIONS			
001 Budget Act appropriation	-	-	\$935
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES	\$-	\$-	\$935
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES, ALL FUNDS (State Operations)	\$4,784	\$5,468	\$6,208
2 LOCAL ASSISTANCE			
0005 Safe Neighborhood Parks, Clean Water, Clean Air, and Coastal Protection Bond Fund			
APPROPRIATIONS			
101 Budget Act appropriation	-	-	\$996
Prior year balances available:			
Item 3125-101-0005, Budget Act of 2003	\$11	-	-
Totals Available	\$11	\$-	\$996
Unexpended balance, estimated savings	-11	-	-
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES	\$-	\$-	\$996
0286 Lake Tahoe Conservancy Account			
APPROPRIATIONS			
Prior year balances available:			
Item 3125-101-0286, Budget Act of 2003	\$588	-	-
Totals Available	\$588	\$-	\$-
Unexpended balance, estimated savings	-173	-	-
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES	\$415	\$-	\$-
0995 Reimbursements			
APPROPRIATIONS			
Reimbursements	\$138	-	-
6029 California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Fund			
APPROPRIATIONS			
101 Budget Act appropriation	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$1,122
Prior year balances available:			
Item 3125-101-6029, Budget Act of 2003	1,088	-	-
Item 3125-101-6029, Budget Act of 2004	3,000	1,551	-
Item 3125-101-6029, Budget Act of 2005	-	3,000	-
Totals Available	\$7,088	\$7,551	\$1,122
Balance available in subsequent years	-4,551	-	-
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES	\$2,537	\$7,551	\$1,122
6031 Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Fund of 2002			
APPROPRIATIONS			
101 Budget Act appropriation	\$9,000	\$9,000	\$9,000
Prior year balances available:			
Item 3125-101-6031, Budget Act of 2004	6,061	15	-
Item 3125-101-6031, Budget Act of 2005	-	3,049	-
Totals Available	\$15,061	\$12,064	\$9,000
Balance available in subsequent years	-3,064	-	-
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES	\$11,997	\$12,064	\$9,000
6051 Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Fund of 2006			

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2 LOCAL ASSISTANCE	2005-06*	2006-07*	2007-08*
APPROPRIATIONS			
101 Budget Act appropriation	-	-	\$12,382
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES	\$-	\$-	\$12,382
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES, ALL FUNDS (Local Assistance)	\$15,087	\$19,615	\$23,500
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES, ALL FUNDS (State Operations and Local Assistance)	\$19,871	\$25,083	\$29,708

FUND CONDITION STATEMENTS

	2005-06*	2006-07*	2007-08*
0286 Lake Tahoe Conservancy Account ^s			
BEGINNING BALANCE	\$2,333	\$1,955	\$1,194
REVENUES, TRANSFERS, AND OTHER ADJUSTMENTS			
Revenues:			
143000 Personalized License Plates	1,165	1,165	1,165
Total Revenues, Transfers, and Other Adjustments	\$1,165	\$1,165	\$1,165
Total Resources	\$3,498	\$3,120	\$2,359
EXPENDITURES AND EXPENDITURE ADJUSTMENTS			
Expenditures:			
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State Operations	374	472	457
Local Assistance	415	-	-
Capital Outlay	754	1,454	700
Total Expenditures and Expenditure Adjustments	\$1,543	\$1,926	\$1,157
FUND BALANCE	\$1,955	\$1,194	\$1,202
Reserve for economic uncertainties	1,955	1,194	1,202

CHANGES IN AUTHORIZED POSITIONS

	Positions			Expenditures		
	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2005-06*	2006-07*	2007-08*
Totals, Authorized Positions	26.8	41.3	41.3	\$1,607	\$2,182	\$2,233
Salary Adjustments	-	-	-	-	117	102
Total Adjustments	-	-	-	\$-	\$117	\$102
TOTALS, SALARIES AND WAGES	26.8	41.3	41.3	\$1,607	\$2,299	\$2,335

INFRASTRUCTURE OVERVIEW

The Conservancy manages programs to help protect Lake Tahoe's water quality and conserve wildlife habitat, watershed areas, and public access on the California side of the Lake Tahoe Basin. The Conservancy is a primary implementer of the State of California's responsibilities under the Environmental Improvement Program for the Lake Tahoe Basin - a 1997 agreement between California, Nevada, the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency, the federal government, local governments, and various private entities.

MAJOR PROJECT CHANGES

- Environmental Improvement Program (EIP) - The Budget provides \$16.1 million in total from various funds for capital outlay or local assistance projects to continue the state's efforts to support the EIP for the Lake Tahoe Basin.

SUMMARY OF PROJECTS

		2005-06*	2006-07*	2007-08*
	State Building Program Expenditures			
50	CAPITAL OUTLAY			
	Major Projects			
50.30	LAND ACQUISITION	\$10,614	\$18,643	\$16,519
50.30.002	Land Acquisition and Site Improvements-Public Access and Recreation	3,344 ^{Vbs}	2,196 ^{Vbs}	350 ^{Vbs}

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State Building Program Expenditures		2005-06*	2006-07*	2007-08*
50.30.003	Land Acquisition and Site Improvements-Wildlife, Waterfowl and Fisheries	1,699 ^{Vbs}	1,444 ^{Vbs}	388 ^{Vbs}
50.30.004	Land Acquisition and Site Improvements-Stream Environment Zones and Watershed Restorations	3,123 ^{Vbsr}	12,402 ^{Vbsr}	790 ^{Vbsr}
50.30.005	Land Acquisition pursuant to Section 66907 of the Government Code	2,448 ^{Ab}	2,601 ^{Ab}	^{Ab}
50.30.009	Land Acquisition for Implementation of Environmental Improvement Program for Lake Tahoe Basin pursuant to Section 66907 of the Government Code	-	-	14,991 ^{AcB}
Totals, Major Projects		\$10,614	\$18,643	\$16,519
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES, ALL PROJECTS		\$10,614	\$18,643	\$16,519

FUNDING		2005-06*	2006-07*	2007-08*
0005	Safe Neighborhood Parks, Clean Water, Clean Air, and Coastal Protection Bond Fund	\$3,131	\$-	\$-
0262	Habitat Conservation Fund	393	814	388
0286	Lake Tahoe Conservancy Account	754	1,454	700
0995	Reimbursements	84	1,399	440
6029	California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Fund	6,252	14,976	-
6051	Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Fund of 2006	-	-	14,991
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES, ALL FUNDS		\$10,614	\$18,643	\$16,519

DETAIL OF APPROPRIATIONS AND ADJUSTMENTS (Reconciliation with Appropriations)

3 CAPITAL OUTLAY	2005-06*	2006-07*	2007-08*
0005 Safe Neighborhood Parks, Clean Water, Clean Air, and Coastal Protection Bond Fund			
APPROPRIATIONS			
Prior year balances available:			
Item 3125-301-0005, Budget Act of 2003	\$3,466	-	-
Totals Available	\$3,466	\$-	\$-
Unexpended balance, estimated savings	-335	-	-
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES	\$3,131	\$-	\$-
0262 Habitat Conservation Fund			
APPROPRIATIONS			
301 Budget Act appropriation	\$400	\$369	-
Fish and Game Code Section 2785-2799.6	-	-	\$388
Prior year balances available:			
Item 3125-301-0262, Budget Act of 2004	438	45	-
Item 3125-301-0262, Budget Act of 2005	-	400	-
Totals Available	\$838	\$814	\$388
Balance available in subsequent years	-445	-	-
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES	\$393	\$814	\$388
0286 Lake Tahoe Conservancy Account			
APPROPRIATIONS			
301 Budget Act appropriation	\$754	\$700	\$700
Prior year balances available:			
Item 3125-301-0286, Budget Act of 2004	754	0	-
Item 3125-301-0286, Budget Act of 2005	-	754	-
Totals Available	\$1,508	\$1,454	\$700
Balance available in subsequent years	-754	-	-

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3 CAPITAL OUTLAY	<u>2005-06*</u>	<u>2006-07*</u>	<u>2007-08*</u>
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES	\$754	\$1,454	\$700
0995 Reimbursements			
APPROPRIATIONS			
Reimbursements	\$84	\$1,399	\$440
6029 California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Fund			
APPROPRIATIONS			
301 Budget Act appropriation	\$7,123	\$7,183	-
Prior year balances available:			
Item 3125-301-6029, Budget Act of 2004	6,922	3,241	-
Item 3125-301-6029, Budget Act of 2005	-	4,552	-
Totals Available	\$14,045	\$14,976	\$-
Balance available in subsequent years	-7,793	-	-
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES	\$6,252	\$14,976	\$-
6051 Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Fund of 2006			
APPROPRIATIONS			
301 Budget Act appropriation	-	-	\$14,991
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES	\$-	\$-	\$14,991
TOTALS, EXPENDITURES, ALL FUNDS (Capital Outlay)	\$10,614	\$18,643	\$16,519

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