



## Permanent Watercraft Inspection Station- Meyers

<b>Project Number</b>	01.03.01.0033		
<b>Action Priority</b>	Prevent, Control, or Eradicate Aquatic Invasive Species		
<b>Implementers</b>	Tahoe Regional Planning Agency		
<b>Supporting Agencies</b>	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service		
<b>Primary Contact</b>	Dennis Zabaglo (dzabaglo@trpa.gov)		
<b>Stage</b>	Planning/Design	<b>Duration</b>	2020 - 2030
<b>Total Project Cost</b>	\$5,000,000	<b>Funding Request</b>	\$2,500,000

### Aquatic Invasive Species Program > Prevent, Control, or Eradicate Aquatic Invasive Species

The Lake Tahoe Watercraft Inspection Program has proven extremely effective and serves as a national model. A permanent location for the Meyers Watercraft Inspection Station has been proposed on California Tahoe Conservancy Asset Lands that will allow the program to have enhanced facilities to maintain protection of Lake Tahoe and provide excellent services to the public. To stay up to date on the progress of this proposed project, please sign up for updates here:  
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Conceptual Site Plan October 2024

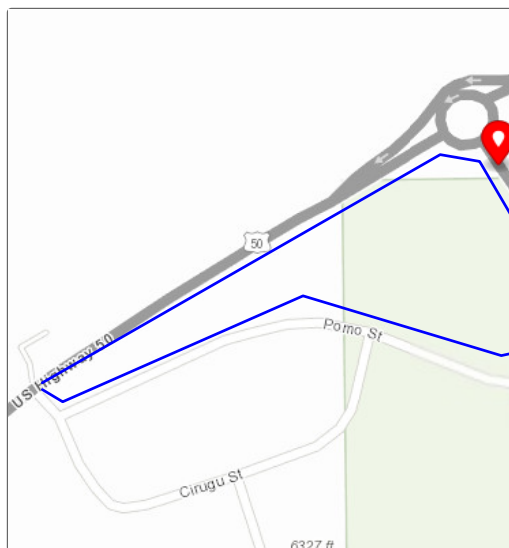
### Targeted Performance Measures

- Watercraft Inspections for Invasive Species

### Threshold Categories

- Water Quality

### Location

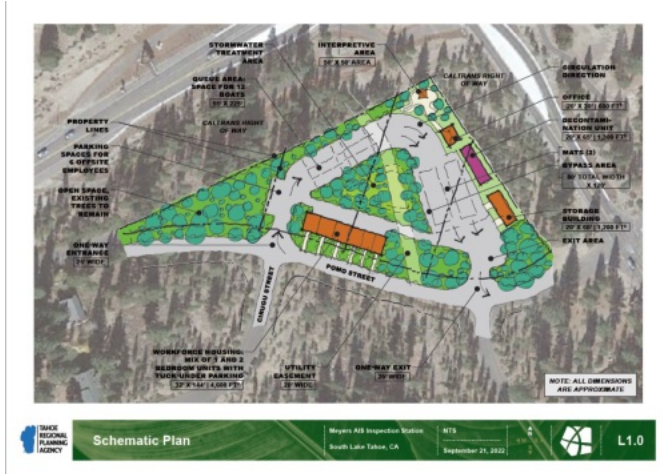


### Targeted Funding

■ Secured Funding: Bipartisan Infrastructure La... (USFWS), \$2,500,000
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## Photos

### Before



Meyers Conceptual Site Plan

### During



## NEWS RELEASE

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### Tahoe Agencies Propose Permanent Location for South Shore Watercraft Inspection Station

Hybrid public meeting scheduled October 14

**South Lake Tahoe, Calif.** – Partner agencies are working to find a permanent home for the aquatic invasive species (AIS) watercraft inspection station in Meyers, Calif., where approximately 2,000 boats are inspected every year to protect Lake Tahoe from aquatic invaders. The Tahoe Regional Planning Agency (TRPA), El Dorado County, California Tahoe Conservancy, and Tahoe Resource Conservation District will host a public meeting Monday, October 14 at 5:30 p.m. at the Lake Valley Fire Protection District station in Meyers to discuss the proposed site.

The existing, leased location at 2275 Kestrel Street requires structural repairs and breakdown and is unlikely to meet long-term needs of the Lake Tahoe Aquatic Invasive Species Program, according to the agencies.

"The existing Meyers site has been instrumental in helping us inspect and decolonize thousands of boats to prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species throughout the Lake Tahoe Region," TRPA Aquatic Invasive Species Program Manager Dennis Zakhidov said. "The primary goal of relocating the station is to allow for more sustainable and efficient operations that better protect our beloved lakes and streams from the damage that invasive species can cause."

Since the watercraft inspection program began in 2008, more than 113,000 vessels have been inspected at national inspection stations around Lake Tahoe to help boaters get on the water safely and efficiently. There are typically three stations operating near key entry points during the boating season, with the Meyers station serving the southern portion of the Tahoe Basin and two entry points.

The proposed new location is on four California Tahoe Conservancy leased parcels on Pono Street near the junction of State Route 89 and U.S. Highway 50, bordering most Conservancy properties that were acquired to protect environmentally sensitive land or provide public access and recreation benefits, most lands are typically non-sensitive parcels that can support sustainable development consistent with local area plans.

A permanent facility also provides the opportunity for stable workforce housing for watercraft station inspectors in summer and snow removal staff in winter.

First Public Meeting Press Release



Proposed project flyer



First Public Meeting Flyer