

Alpine Watershed Group



PROTECTING THE HEADWATERS OF THE CALIFORNIA ALPS

Mission: To protect, conserve, and restore the watersheds of Alpine County by promoting sustainable community and science-based collaborative solutions

CWSD Board Meeting — July 19, 2023

Mission

Alpine Watershed Group protects, conserves, and restores the watersheds of Alpine County by promoting sustainable community and science-based collaborative solutions.

Vision

We envision a community that values and acts to protect, conserve, and celebrate the healthy, resilient watersheds of Alpine County.





Staff

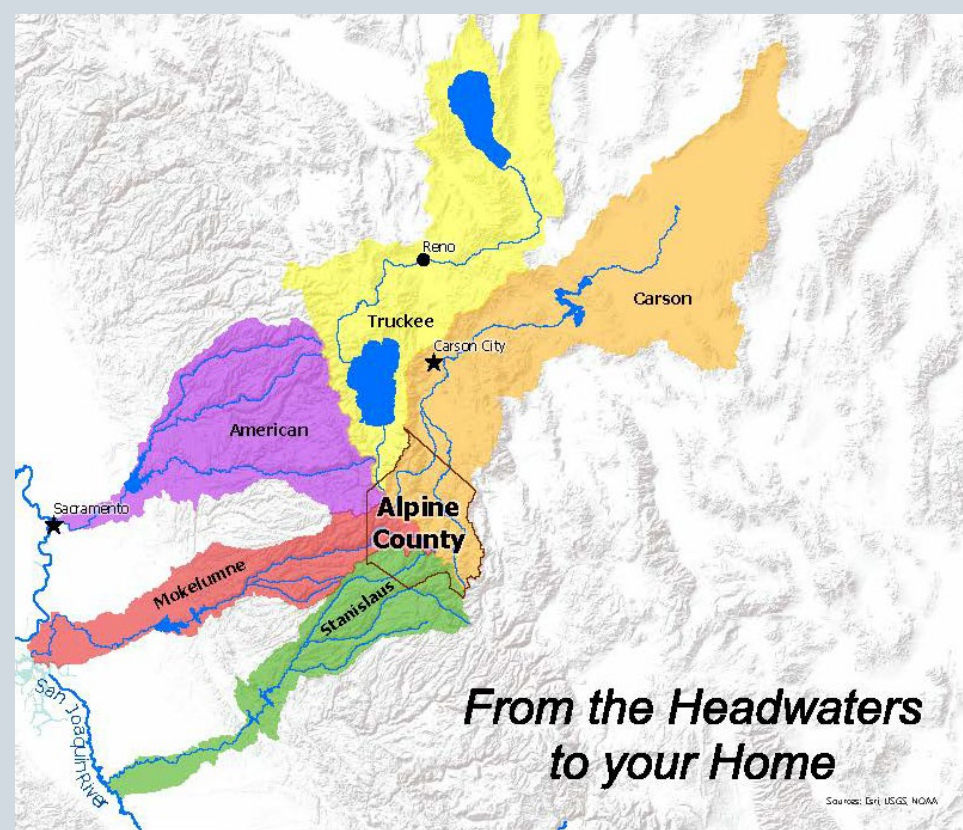
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Sept. 2023–Aug. 2024:
Two California Climate
Action Corps Fellows
(AmeriCorps Program)

Headwaters of 5 Watersheds



Programs

- Monitoring
- Restoration
- Community Outreach & Education



Breaking News

US Forest Service presented Alpine Watershed Group with the
Forest Service 2022 Volunteers Program
Citizen Stewardship and Partnerships Award



Ongoing Programs & Projects

Monitoring

- River monitoring program*
- Harmful Algal Bloom monitoring*
- Post-fire
 - Common Stand Exams
 - Early Detection and Rapid Response
- Aspen regeneration



Restoration

- Hope Valley Restoration and Aquatic Enhancement Project
- Faith Valley Meadow Restoration Project
- Musser and Jarvis Watershed*
- Tree planting in burned areas*
- Markleeville Creek Restoration Project

* Indicates volunteer program



Markleeville Creek Restoration Project



Heritage Park in April 2023



2022 Volunteer Work

Event	Number of Volunteers	Volunteer Hours
River Monitors	20	84
April Tree Planting	47	211.5
May Tree Planting	65	260
Harmful Algal Bloom Monitoring	3	12
Death Ride	16	45
Markleeville Creek Day	52	156
Adopt-A-Highway Event	4	8 (second event in Creek Day hours)
Hope Valley Project Maintenance	3	6 (second event in Creek Day hours)
Total	210	782.5

Gratitude for 2022 Funding

- Individual & Organization Contributions
- Grantors:
 - Alpine County Health & Human Services
 - American Rivers
 - Bently Foundation
 - California Alpine Club Foundation
 - California Department of Water Resources
 - The Campbell Foundation
 - Carson Water Subconservancy District
 - National Fish & Wildlife Foundation
 - National Forest Foundation
 - Sierra Nevada Conservancy
 - The Strong Foundation for Environmental Values
 - Trout Unlimited – Sagebrush Chapter

New Projects

West Fork Carson Prioritization Project

- State Water Board – \$250,000
- CWSD – \$83,350 (required 25% match)

East Fork Carson Hot Springs

- Technical support from National Park Service Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance Program



Forest Health Community Working Group

- Engaging our community to progress forest resilience
- Next field trip – Sat., Aug. 26



How do I get involved?

- Sign up for our newsletter at www.alpinewatershedgroup.org
- Follow us on Facebook and Instagram, subscribe to YouTube channel
- **Markleeville Creek Day 2023** – Saturday, September 23, 9 a.m.
- **Tree Planting** – Saturday, October 21





QUESTIONS?

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