Registration Deadline 1/31/2008!

Vegetation Management in Sensitive Areas of the Lake Tahoe Basin: A Workshop to Evaluate Risks and Advance Existing Strategies and Practices

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Tahoe Center for Environmental Sciences, Incline Village, NV

Excess vegetation on steep slopes and in stream environment zones heightens wildfire risk and threatens habitat goals in the Lake Tahoe Basin. Yet land managers have difficulty reducing that vegetation because of limited access, short field seasons, and requirements to reduce impacts on thresholds such as water quality. As a result, vegetation management projects are more costly to complete, take longer and too few acres are treated.

Workshop Objectives:

- Explore the state of knowledge and current practices used by agencies for fuels treatment projects in stream zones (SEZs) and steep slopes in the Lake Tahoe Basin,
- Identify areas of uncertainty regarding environmental risk from these treatments, and
- Solicit recommendations from an expert panel to advance vegetation management strategies and practices in the Lake Tahoe basin.

Who Should Attend:

Land management and regulatory agency staff, researchers, fuels treatment implementers, environmental organizations, and any interested public.

On-Line Registration:

Please register at http://ucanr.org/vegmanagementworkshop by **January 31st**, **2008**. Registration is free but required and limited to 100. For registration information, contact Nancy Starr at 530-621-5552 or nancy.starr@co.el-dorado.ca.us. For workshop content information, contact Zach Hymanson at 775- 881-7561 or redfir@sbcglobal.net, or Susie Kocher at 530-542-2571 or skocher@nature.berkeley.edu. Agenda available on-line.

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