



Tahoe-Baikal Institute

**Summer Environmental Exchange Schedule (U.S.)
June 14 – July 21, 2008**

Sunday, June 15th

Time	Activity	Special Notes
4:00	Group meeting, brief introductions, basic tour of Fredericks', guidelines and tent assignments (all)	
5:00- 5:45	Groups/pairs set up tents, get packs settled into rooms	
6:00	<i>Dinner</i>	
7:00	Welcome to Tahoe Ceremony at Upper Truckee Marsh	

Monday, June 16th

Time	Activity	Special Notes
8:00-9:00	<i>Breakfast</i>	
9:00-10:00	Introductions (all)	
10:00- 10:30	Executive Director's Welcome! (Bryan von Lossberg)	
10:30- 12:00	Program Overview—Schedule & Goals (Jennifer)	
12:12:30	Introduction to Chores (Michelle and Amber)	
12:30 –1:30	<i>Lunch at Fredericks' with discussion of the history and future of the site, led by Bryan von Lossberg.</i>	
1:30 – 3:00	"Build Your Own Watershed" Activity, led by Michelle Fergus	
3:00-4:30	Intro to US Environmental Policy & Regulation and to Tahoe Agencies and Organizations (Jennifer)	
4:30-6:00	Individual meetings with Bryan and Jennifer. Please see sign up sheet. Free time for those not in meeting.	
6:00 –7:00	<i>Dinner</i>	
7:00– 8:00	Intro to Participant Discussions, Talking Stick and Sense of Place (Jennifer)	
8:00-8:30	Intro to Daily Roles, go over Tuesday Schedule (Jennifer)	

Tuesday, June 17th

Time	Activity	Special Notes
7:15-8:15	<i>Breakfast</i>	Please note that breakfast will be cleaned up at 8:15
8:45-9:45	Presentation by Scott Valentine of the Lake Tahoe Community College on the geologic formation of the	This presentation will take place at Fredericks', but

	Tahoe Basin.	you need to be ready to leave the building immediately after.
9:45	<i>Depart from Fredericks'</i>	
10:00-11:30	Tour of the South Tahoe Public Utility District (Wastewater Treatment Plant) with Shelly Barnes	
12:00-12:30	Lunch at the South Tahoe Refuse Center	
12:30- 2:00	Tour of South Tahoe Refuse Center with Jeanne Lear	
2:00	<i>Drive to California Tahoe Conservancy Building</i>	
2:15-3:15	Presentation about Climate Change in the Sierra, given by Marion Gee, Sierra Nevada Alliance AmeriCorps Member	
3:15-4:15	Discussion of patterns of historic land-use in the Tahoe Basin, presented by Bob Harris, Retired USFS Forest Supervisor and TBI Board Member.	
4:15-5:15	Role of the Lahontan Region Water Quality Board and Total Maximum Daily Loads in the Tahoe basin, presented by Dan Sussman, California Water Board, TBI Alumni 2004.	
6:00- 7:00pm	<i>Dinner</i>	
7:00 – 8:00pm	Presentation on Invasive Species in the Tahoe Basin, given by Nicole Cartwright and Cara Stafford of the Tahoe Resource Conservation District	
8:00	Chores	

Wednesday, June 18th

Time	Activity	Special Notes
7:15-8:00	<i>Breakfast and pack your own lunch</i>	All Participants need to pack a lunch at Breakfast and put it into a cooler to go in the vans.
8:15	<i>Depart from Fredericks'</i>	
9:00-1:00	Learn about research on Lake Tahoe Water Quality onboard the UC Davis research boat, the John le Conte . Excursion to be led by Brant Allen of the UC Davis Tahoe Environmental Research Center . Participants will be split into two groups; each group will go on the boat for 1 ½ hours, and have 1 ½ hour to walk to the dam at the head of the Truckee river	Make sure to wear sunscreen and bring sunglasses for the boat.
1:00	Depart for South Lake Tahoe, eat lunch en route	
2:00-3:15	Introduction to the California Tahoe Conservancy (CTC) presented by Patrick Wright, Executive Officer of the CTC .	
3:30-5:00	The Role of the United States Forest Service on Watershed Management in the Lake Tahoe Basin. Presented by Rex Norman .	
5:30-6:30	Introduction to two-week projects and project descriptions from each project leader. (see project lists for leaders' names and affiliations)	

6:30-7:00	<i>Dinner with project leaders</i>	
7:00-8:00	Participant Discussion: Food Choices—a Form of Environmental Activism??? Led by Jennifer and 1 participant	See sign-up sheet for Participant Discussions
8:00	Chores	

Thursday, June 19th

Time	Activity	Special Notes
7:00-8:00	<i>Breakfast</i>	
8:15	<i>Depart from Fredericks'</i>	
8:30 – 9:45	Interpretive walk on the “Rainbow Trail” at USFS Taylor Creek Visitor Center to learn about local plants, animals, and ecosystems of Lake Tahoe. Led by Jean Norman of the Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit	You may want to wear/bring insect repellent—there are sometimes a lot of mosquitoes at Taylor creek.
10:00 -12:00	Regan Beach Project Discussion. Peter Eichar, California Tahoe Conservancy; Kathay Lovell and Gary Moore, City of South Lake Tahoe. Recreation Center, Cedar Room.	
12:00	<i>Lunch</i>	
1:00-1:45	Overview of the Tahoe-Baikal Institute with Executive Director Bryan von Lossberg	
2:00-5:00	Individual meetings with Jennifer and Bryan. Please see sign up sheet. Free time for everyone else.	
6:00	<i>Dinner</i>	
	Non-profit Panel: representatives of local Tahoe environmental organizations will discuss their work and the advantages and disadvantages of working for a non-profit organization. Bryan von Lossberg (TBI), Lisa Cashel (Tahoe Rim Trail), Autumn Bernstein (Climate Plan), Do Lee (Sierra Nevada Alliance), Carl Young (League to Save Lake Tahoe)	

Friday, June 20th

Time	Activity	Special Notes
7:00– 7:45am	<i>Breakfast and pack own lunches.</i>	We will be camping overnight at Pyramid Lake. All participants need to pack tents, sleeping bags, and overnight necessities into the vans. Participants each need to bring 2+ liters of drinking water.
8:00am	<i>Depart Fredericks' for TRPA office on Kingsbury grade</i>	
8:30 – 10:00	Overview of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency and the specific work of various departments, by Julie Regan, Nicole Rinke, and Karen Fink	
10:45	Begin Watershed Tour	
	(see small booklet for all details on about the tour)	

12:30	Lunch en route	
6:00	Dinner at campsite at Pryamid Lake	

Saturday, June 21st

Time	Activity	Special Notes
8:00- 9:00	Breakfast at campsite	All participants will help clean up camp site before departure.
12:30	Lunch en route	
6:00	<i>Dinner and free time in Reno</i>	
9:00	<i>Return to Fredericks' late</i>	All participants will need to set up tents before bed.

Sunday, June 22nd

Time	Activity	Special Notes
7:30 – 8:30	<i>Breakfast at Fredericks'</i>	
	First half of the day—free time (laundry, etc.)	
11:00- 11:30	Early lunch at Fredericks'	
12:00	Depart Fredericks' for Sacramento	<i>Please pack for one night away. You will need professional clothes for meetings in Sacramento. Make sure you have your photo ID's with you!</i>
2:30 – 5:00	Tour of the California Railroad Museum	
5:00 – 7:30	Free time/ Dinner in Old Sac	
7:30 – 9:00	Hostel Check-in and Participant Discussion: Fire as a part of the ecosystem. Led by Jennifer and 1 participant.	See sign up sheet for Participant Discussions

Monday, June 23rd

Time	Activity	Special Notes
8:00-8:30	Breakfast and hostel chores. Re-pack vans.	<i>Dress professionally! No jeans or sneakers. Bring your photo ID.</i>
8:15	<i>Check out of hostel and drive to capitol.</i>	
8:40am	<i>Assemble at Entrance of Capitol for Security Check and Intro to tour guid.</i>	<i>You will not be able to bring pocket knives or other "weapons" into the capitol. Please leave them in the van.</i>
9:00-10:10	Capitol Tour	<i>During the tour, there will be one section where you need to leave your cameras outside of the Chamber.</i>
10:15am	Meeting in Assembly Committee Hearing Room 127	

	with Hans Heyman, Chief of Staff for Assemblywoman Loni Hancock	
10:45am	Walk to Bonderson Building	
11:00-12:30	Briefing on California Water and Climate Change by Kamyar Guivetchi, P.E. Manager, Statewide Water Planning, California Department of Water Resources	
12:30-1:45	<i>Walk to capitol, get coolers from vans, Picnic on Capitol Lawn</i>	
1:45pm	<i>Walk to the Resources Building</i>	
2:00pm	Introduction to the California State Parks System by Ruth Coleman, Director.	
3:00pm	<i>Walk to the Energy Commission Building</i>	
3:30-5:00	Overview of the Klamath River Hydro Project given by Jim McKinney of the California Energy Commission.	
	<i>Dinner- Stop for pizza on the way back to Tahoe</i>	
~10:00pm	<i>Return to Fredericks'</i>	

Tuesday, June 24th

Time	Activity	Special Notes
7:00 -8:00am	<i>Breakfast and pack your own lunch</i>	<i>participants need to pack individual lunches</i>
8:15am	<i>Depart Fredericks' for Ward Creek</i>	
9:00am-5:00pm	Ecological Restoration Project with the California Tahoe Conservancy. Ward Creek Borrow Pit site	Wear clothing appropriate for your field work. <i>Lunch will be eaten in the field.</i>
6-6:45	Dinner	
7-8:00	Overview of the Sierra Business Council and their Carbon Sequestration projects, presented by Betony Jones	
8:00	Chores	

Wednesday, June 25th

Time	Activity	Special Notes
7:00 - 8:00am	<i>Breakfast and pack your own lunch</i>	<i>participants need to pack individual lunches</i>
8:15am	<i>Depart Frederick's for Ward Creek</i>	
9:00am-5:00pm	Ecological Restoration Project with the California Tahoe Conservancy. Ward Creek Borrow Pit.	Wear clothing appropriate for your field work. <i>Lunch will be eaten in the field.</i>
6:00	<i>BBQ with CTC crews at Fred's</i>	
	Chores – no mopping, sweeping or Bathrooms!	

Thursday, June 26th

Time	Activity	Special Notes
7:00am	<i>Breakfast</i>	<i>participants need to pack individual lunches</i>
8:00am-5:00pm	Projects Begin	Wear clothing appropriate

		for your project work. <i>Lunch will be eaten in the field.</i>
6:00pm	Dinner at Fredericks'	
7:00-8:00	Participant Discussion: Ecological Restoration—is it our Ethical Responsibility? Led by Jennifer and 1 participant	
8:00	Chores	

Friday, June 27th

Time	Activity	
7:00am	<i>Breakfast and pack your own lunch</i>	<i>participants need to pack individual lunches</i>
8:00am-5:00pm	Projects...	Wear clothing appropriate for your project work. <i>Lunch will be eaten in the field.</i>
6:00pm	Dinner at Fredericks'	

Saturday, June 28th

Time	Activity	Special Notes
8:00- 9:00	Breakfast	
9:30-10:30	Ecological Footprints Lecture and Activity led by Michelle Fergus	
10:30-11:30	Participant Discussion: Eco-footprint follow-up and GARBAGE. To be led by Jennifer Smith and 1 participant.	
11:30-12:00	Lunch at Fredericks'	
12:00	Depart for TERC and Beach	
1:00- 4:00pm	Tour of the Tahoe Environmental Research Center led by, Sarah Pitzer and Anna Simmons	
4:30	<i>Dinner at Beach</i>	
8:00	<i>Return to Fredericks'</i>	

Sunday, June 29th

Time	Activity	Special Notes
8:00- 9:00	Breakfast	
9:30	(possible Participant Discussion)	
	Optional Activities	
		Be packed for three nights with Homestay Hosts.

Monday, June 30th

Time	Activity	Special Notes
7:00am	<i>Breakfast</i>	<i>participants need to pack individual lunches</i>
8:00am-5:00pm	Projects...	Wear clothing appropriate

		for your project work. <i>Lunch will be eaten in the field.</i>
5:00 – 6:00pm	<i>Homestay Hosts Pick up Participants at Fredericks'</i>	Participants need to pack necessities for 3 nights away from Fredericks'

Tuesday, July 1st

Time	Activity	Special Notes
	<i>HOMESTAYS!</i>	
8:00am-5:00pm	Projects...	Wear clothing appropriate for your project work. <i>Lunch will be eaten in the field.</i>

Wednesday, July 2nd

Time	Activity	Special Notes
	<i>HOMESTAYS!</i>	
8:00am-5:00pm	Projects...	Wear clothing appropriate for your project work. <i>Lunch will be eaten in the field.</i>

Thursday, July 3rd

Time	Activity	Special Notes
	<i>HOMESTAYS!</i>	
8:00am- 5:00pm	Project work	Wear clothing appropriate for your project work. <i>Lunch will be eaten in the field.</i>
6:00pm	<i>Thanksgiving Dinner at Fredericks' for Homestay Hosts</i>	
7:00-8:00	Participant Discussion: Participant Intros. Led by Jennifer and 1 participant	See Sign up sheet
8:00	Chores	

Friday, July 4th

Time	Activity	Special Notes
	<i>Holiday – Independence Day!</i>	
7:00-8:30am	<i>Breakfast</i>	
	Volunteer Hike?	
7:00pm	<i>BBQ at Beach or at Jennifer's house</i>	
9:00pm	Fireworks from Regan Beach!	

Saturday, July 5th

Time	Activity	Special Notes
7:00 – 8:30am	<i>Breakfast, chores</i>	<i>participants need to pack individual lunches</i>

9:00 – 10:00am	Participant Discussion: Tourism in Ecological Sensitive Areas—A good or a bad idea? Led by Michelle and 1 participant	
	Volunteer Hike with Jon Green	
6:00pm	<i>Dinner at Fredericks'</i>	

Sunday, July 6th

Time	Activity	Special Notes
7:00 – 8:30am	Breakfast, chores	<i>participants need to pack individual lunches</i>
9:00 – 10:00am	Participant Discussion: Participant Intros. Led by Jennifer and 1 participant	
	Volunteer Hike with Jon Green	
6:00pm	<i>Dinner at Fredericks'</i>	

Monday, July 7th

Time	Activity	Special Notes
7:00-8:30am	<i>Breakfast</i>	<i>participants need to pack individual lunches</i>
8:00am- 5:00pm	Project work	Wear clothing appropriate for your project work. <i>Lunch will be eaten in the field.</i>
6:00pm	Forest Stewardship Day Crew Leader Training at Angora Burn Site	
6:00pm	<i>Dinner at Fredericks' for Russians and Mongolians</i>	<i>Turn in Shopping Lists for International Cook Night to Amber by 6pm!</i>
	Chores	

Tuesday, July 8th

Time	Activity	Special Notes
7:00-8:30am	<i>Breakfast</i>	<i>participants need to pack individual lunches</i>
8:00am- 5:00pm	Project work	Wear clothing appropriate for your project work. <i>Lunch will be eaten in the field.</i>
6:00pm	<i>Dinner at Fredericks'</i>	
7:00pm	Participant Discussion regarding Friendraiser	

Wednesday, July 9th

Time	Activity	Special Notes
7:00-8:30am	<i>Breakfast</i>	<i>participants need to pack individual lunches</i>
8:00am- 5:00pm	Project work	Wear clothing appropriate for your project work. <i>Lunch will be eaten in the field.</i>

6:00pm	<i>Dinner at Fredericks'</i>	
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Thursday, July 10th

Time	Activity	Special Notes
7:00am	<i>Breakfast</i>	<i>participants need to pack individual lunches</i>
8:00am-5:00pm	Projects: Final preparation of reports and presentations!	Wear clothing appropriate for your project work. <i>Lunch will be eaten in the field.</i>
6:00-7:30pm	<i>Dinner, *Chores – Prep for Board presence</i>	
7:30pm	Finishing touches on reports and presentations...	

Friday, July 11th**South Lake Tahoe – Alumni Weekend**

Time	Activity	Special Notes
7:00- 7:45am	<i>Breakfast</i>	Dress professionally for Presentations and Dinner
8:00am	Depart Fredericks' to set up for Project Presentations	
9:00am	CTC/ UCCE Project Presentation	
10:00am	Sugar Pine Foundation Project Presentation	
11:00am	TERC Project Presentation	
12:00-12:30pm	<i>Lunch break—pizza and salad</i>	
12:30pm	U of P Project Presentation	
1:30pm	Lahontan Project Presentation	
3:00pm	Depart for Heavenly	
4:00pm	Arrive at Heavenly to help direct guests	
5:00pm	<i>TBI's Annual Event Dinner & Reception!</i>	
9:00pm	Return to Fredericks'	

Saturday, July 12th**South Lake Tahoe – Alumni Weekend**

Time	Activity	Special Notes
	<i>Breakfast</i>	
	Forest Stewardship Day	
	Board of Directors meeting	
4:00-6:00pm	Begin cooking your dishes for International Cook night	
6:00pm	<i>International Cook Night—participants cook dishes from their home country or other favorite family recipes</i>	

Sunday, July 13th

South Lake Tahoe – Alumni Weekend

Time	Activity	Special Notes
8:00-8:45am	<i>Breakfast</i>	Begin packing and cleaning Fredericks'
9:00am	<i>Depart Fredericks' for Echo Lake</i>	
9:30am-3:00pm	Interpretive Hike at Echo Lake with Bob Harris and Gary Cook . Lunch and swimming at Helen Pickering's cabin.	
	<i>Optional: Shakespeare Festival, Sand Harbor, NV with picnic dinner</i>	

Monday, July 14th

Time	Activity	Special Notes
7:00- 8:15am	<i>Breakfast</i>	Pack you Dinner to eat at the hot springs.
8:30am	<i>Depart from Fredericks' for South Lake Tahoe Chamber of Commerce</i>	Wear comfortable walking shoes! Bring your Bathing suit.
9:00am-11:00pm	Panel Discussion: Doing Business in Tahoe. Organized by Jeremy Sokulsky of Environmental Incentives.	
11-12	Drive to Minden	
12:00-1:00pm	Lunch at Bently.	
1:00- 2:30pm	Tour of Bently Biofuels facility, led by Carlo Luri, General Manager .	
2:30pm	<i>Depart for Markleeville</i>	
3:30-6:00pm	Grover State Park hot springs, Picnic dinner	
6:00pm	<i>Depart for Fredericks'</i>	Packing and Cleaning... this is our LAST night at Fredericks'!
7:00	Final Chores, Packing and Cleaning... this is our LAST night at Fredericks'!	

Tuesday, July 15th

Time	Activity	Special Notes
7:00am	<i>Breakfast</i>	
7:30-9:00	Pack vans, clean Fredericks'. Anything left behind will belong to Michelle Fergus!	
9:00am	<i>Depart for Mono Lake and Yosemite</i>	
12:00pm	Picnic Lunch	
1:30-3:30pm	Discussion of water issues at Mono Lake and tour of the South Tufa, led by staff of the Mono Lake Committee.	
3:30 -5:00pm	Discussion about declining amphibian populations in the Sierras and his research on the Mountain Yellow Legged Frog. Led by Thomas Smith, PhD student at UC Santa Barbara (and Jennifer's brother!)	
5:00pm	<i>Depart for Green Creek Campground</i>	
6:00pm	Check in to campground, set up tents, help with cooking, etc.	
7:00pm	<i>Dinner</i>	

Wednesday, July 16th

Time	Activity	Special Notes
8:00-8:45am	<i>Breakfast in Green Creek campsite</i>	
9:00am	<i>Depart for Yellow Pines Campground in Yosemite Valley</i>	
12:00	<i>Check into Yellow Pines Campsite, LUNCH</i>	
	Free Time in Yosemite National Park. Optional Short Hikes and Sightseeing in Yosemite Valley	
7:00pm	<i>Dinner</i>	
7:30	Participant Discussion: Final thoughts on American portion of program, expectations for Russian portion. Led by Jennifer and 1 participant.	

Thursday, July 17th

Time	Activity	Special Notes
8:00am	<i>Breakfast in Yellow Pines campsite</i>	
HOLD	Discussion of Volunteerism in Yosemite led by Veronica Johnson, Park Ranger	
9:00am -3:00pm	Hands-on Ecological Restoration Project in Yosemite	
HOLD	Presentation about the National Park Service in the USA	
6:00pm	Dinner	
7:30pm	Theatre/Firefalls	

Friday, July 18th

Time	Activity	Special Notes
7:00-8:15am	<i>Breakfast in Yellow Pines campsite, pack vans</i>	
8:30am	<i>Depart Yellow Pines Campground for San Francisco.</i>	

12:00pm	<i>Lunch – en route</i>	
2:00pm	Arrive in San Francisco	
3:00-4:30	Meeting with Leah Zimmerman of Pacific Environmental to hear about their Russian projects.	
5:00pm	Check in at Fisherman's Wharf Hostel	
6:00pm	Dinner and free time in Fisherman's Wharf	

Saturday, July 19th

Time	Activity	Special Notes
8:00am	<i>Breakfast at Hostel</i>	
Morning	Optional: San Francisco sightseeing tour, led by Gary Cook	
11:30am	Depart from hostel for AT&T Ball Park	
12:15pm	<i>Tailgate Lunch at Ball Park Parking Lot</i>	
1:05pm	SF Giants Game vs. Milwaukee Brewers	
Evening	Dinner	

Sunday, July 20th

Time	Activity	Special Notes
8:00 am	<i>Breakfast at Hostel</i>	
11:00-3:00	Optional: San Francisco Symphony in the park	
4:00	<i>Farewell Dinner at Sasha Kolosovich's home</i>	
8:00	Return to hostel to pack for flights to Russia	EVERYONE is required to sleep at the hostel this night, even if you have relatives in town.

Monday, July 21st

Time	Activity	Special Notes
5:30 am	<i>Wake-up, Breakfast at Hostel</i>	
6:30am	<i>Leave for Airport, to arrive by 7:15</i>	
9:18 am	Americans and Canadian leave SFO	
10:15am	Russians leave SFO	
2:50pm	Mongolians leave SFO	