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2003 Best In The Basin Awards

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The Tahoe Regional Planning Agency has recognized six projects as being the "Best in the Basin" to receive the agency's annual award in their respective categories.

Each year a team of independent judges, made up of local architects, engineers, planners and landscaping professionals, visit each nominated project and carefully evaluate it based on established criteria.

Water quality improvement projects are judged on their overall effectiveness, comprehensive design, ease of maintenance, and visual quality. Building projects are judged on site planning, landscape design, architectural design and best management practices that restrict soil erosion and surface runoff.

The Public Service Project Award winner is Sierra Pacific Power Company, which buried overhead power lines to open the view to the entrance of the South Lake area along U.S. Highway 50 near the Lake Tahoe Airport. The project also incorporates water quality improvement measures into the landscaping to treat storm water runoff from Highway 50 before it reaches the lake. The California Department of Transportation owns the property.

The Recreation Project Award went to Zephyr Cove Resort RV Park and Campground. The judges liked the way the design accommodates a variety of recreational campers and utilizes Best Management Practices to prevent runoff. The U. S. Forest Service owns the property and the concessionaire is ARAMARK corporation.

Other award winners are:

- The Cantina Restaurant in South Lake Tahoe, which won the Best Management Practices Retrofit Award.
- Feldman Shaw LLP Law Office for the Commercial Remodel Project Award
- Z COVE LLC for the Residential Rebuild Project Award
- Sam and Helga Strong for the Residential Remodel Project Award

Winners received certificates of appreciation at the TRPA Governing Board meeting on October 23, 2003. Duplicates of the certificates will be displayed in the lobby of TRPA's office.

