From: Engineering Data Software <tom@engineeringdatasoftware.com>
Sent: 8/18/2026 1:22:58 PM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment - Prohibit glyphosate herbicide spraying Lake Tahoe Basin

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I live in Crystal Bay, NV. I lived in Incline Village for 20 years before that. In October of 2023 I was diagnosed with a rather rare form of lymphoma called Mantle Cell lymphoma (MCL).

My doctor, Dr. Daniel Peterson in Incline (now retired), told me that he had seen seven cases of MCL over 40 years in only his small practice. He said he would expect to see zero to one case of MCL during that time. That is just one small medical practice. It surely seems like something out of the ordinary is going on here.

Glyphosates used on lawns and golf courses certainly drain into the lake. Drinking water intakes for basin communities draw lake water from underwater locations not far from the lake shore.

There have been several class-action lawsuits against the manufacturers of Roundup alleging that exposure to glyphosates causes lymphoma. Of course the manufacturers, fearing huge financial liability, deny this link between glyphosates and lymphoma, and it's almost impossible for lymphoma patients to put together an unassailable body of evidence to prove this link.

But the idea of spraying thousands of acres of land with glyphosates that will certainly end up in the lake, and in the drinking water supply, is absolutely reckless and unconscionable.

On behalf of myself and my fellow MCL patients, most of whom have already died from this disease, I ask TRPA to ban USFS and all other public-sector entities from spraying glyphosates in the Tahoe Basin. Thank you.

Tom Barker
775-720-7405
ziploc72@yahoo.com
Sent from my iPhone

From: djinkens@charter.net <djinkens@charter.net>
Sent: 8/16/2026 12:02:25 PM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Cc: Cody Bass <cbass@cityofslt.us>; bosfive@edcgov.us <bosfive@edcgov.us>;
Subject: USE OF GLYPHOSATE IN THE CALDOR FIRE AREA AND LAKE TAHOE BASIN

Dear Honorable Members of the TRPA Governing Board:

I am writing to you once again regarding a serious health and environmental risk facing the Basin and its environs'.

I am resubmitting my July 15, 2026, comments below in opposition to the use of glyphosate in the Caldor Fire area or anywhere else in the Tahoe Basin for the stated reasons.

The safety of our health and protection of our environment are *not partisan issues*. ***Safety must always come first***, and TRPA must always take stands that protects our health and protects our wildlife and environment.

I ask that these comments be made part of your official record and transmitted to Board members for your August 26, 2026, meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

David

David Jinkens, MPA
Good Government Advocate
South Lake Tahoe Resident

Opinion expressed here is mine alone

On Jul 15, 2026, at 5:52 PM, djinkens@charter.net wrote:

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Dear Honorable Nevada Leaders and Neighbors:

Thank you for your service to your State and the Tahoe Basin that we share.

I am writing to you regarding the decades old practice by the USFS to applied glyphosate (Roundup) to burned forest areas in order to kill the quickly growing ground cover plants (manzanita, etc.) arguably so the new forest trees can have a better chance of surviving and becoming a forest again. All of us want to see new forest growth.

I am informed that this practice has taken on new scrutiny with the Caldor fire forest recoveries and applying glyphosate in areas that could potentially reach Lake Tahoe via streams and runoff. I know that we share a common interest in protecting Lake Tahoe, people, and animal life that populate the area from serious harm

I am not a scientist, but I am a long-term resident of the Basin and a past and present public official who has grave concerns about the safety of this product on humans, animals, and sensitive environments,

Online resources say that EPA approves of its use, but I found the following disturbing potential dangers of the product:

" The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) classifies glyphosate as "probably carcinogenic to humans."
A University of Washington review found glyphosate exposure may increase non-Hodgkin lymphoma risk by up to 41%.
Pediatricians and environmental health advocates warn that post-fire spraying may pose risks to children, wildlife, and watersheds, especially when used at large scale.
Tahoe residents have raised strong concerns about transparency, water quality, and cumulative exposure, prompting TRPA to expand water-quality monitoring for glyphosate downstream of burn areas. "

I urge our Nevada State partners and their representatives on TRPA to take appropriate action to see that the product is not used in the Caldor Fire burn area or other sensitive areas in the Basin until it is proven safe for animals and human contact. In the alternative, the USFS should find a substitute safe product. I have faith that they can do so and respect in general the work they do to protect our forests.

Thank you for your consideration in this regard.

Respectfully,

David

David Jinkens, MPA
Good Government Advocate
City Council Member
South Lake Tahoe, CA

Comments made here are mine alone.

From: Brigitte Chertok <brigittechertok@gmail.com>
Sent: 8/9/2026 10:48:56 AM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: No Glyphosate spraying !

I strongly oppose the use of glyphosate in the Tahoe National Forest. Spraying a broad-spectrum herbicide in a forest environment can expose wildlife, plants, water sources, and nearby communities to an unnecessary chemical risk. Forest ecosystems are complex and interconnected, and protecting biodiversity, soil health, and clean water should take priority over short-term vegetation control. There are safer, less harmful methods of managing unwanted vegetation that should be considered before resorting to herbicides. The Tahoe National Forest is a precious natural resource, and we have a responsibility to protect it for future generations rather than introducing chemicals whose long-term effects on forest ecosystems remain a concern.

Brigitte Chertok
Davis,CA

Sent from my iPhone

From: traciwilsonrivera@gmail.com <traciwilsonrivera@gmail.com>
Sent: 8/5/2026 5:48:43 PM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Cc: Mom <dkwils@yahoo.com>; Christi Brown <cmb0407@hotmail.com>; Jill Rivera <jrrtrek@gmail.com>;
Subject: Public comment - Prohibit glyphosate herbicide spraying Lake Tahoe Basin

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I grew up in Tahoe and graduated from Southlake Tahoe, high school. Although I don't live there now, I live two hours away and I visit Tahoe. Every chance I get. I am outraged that the forest Service and TRPA are considering using this poison in our forest, the reasoning does not justify the use of this glyphosate. As you know, as the research has shown, this will stay in the ecosystem for years to come affecting our children and our grandchildren, wildlife, drinking water and the clarity of Lake Tahoe and surrounding lakes.
Do not use this poison. The end does NOT justify the means.

Signed,
Traci Wilson
(916) 832-0474

Sent from my iPhone

From: Salisha Blackburn <salishakelley@gmail.com>
Sent: 8/4/2026 7:53:54 AM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment - glyphosate spraying Caldor fire scar & basin

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Dear Members of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency,

I am writing to urge you, in the strongest possible terms, to reject the use of glyphosate and other chemical herbicides within the Lake Tahoe Basin.

Lake Tahoe is not just another forest. It is one of the clearest alpine lakes in the world, a source of drinking water, a thriving wildlife habitat, and one of California's greatest natural treasures. Generations of people have dedicated immense time, effort, and public resources to protecting this extraordinary watershed. Introducing chemical herbicides into such a fragile ecosystem is a risk that I do not believe we should be willing to take.

I fully support responsible forest restoration. Our forests need active management after years of catastrophic wildfire, drought, and changing climate conditions. But restoration should never come at the expense of the very environment we are trying to protect. The goal should be healthy, resilient forests while preserving the purity of our water, the health of our wildlife, and the well-being of the communities that call Tahoe home.

One of my greatest concerns is that we are being asked to accept assurances of safety despite the fact that the scientific conversation surrounding glyphosate is far from settled. I do not believe that sufficient independent, long-term longitudinal research exists to confidently conclude that chronic, lifetime exposure to glyphosate poses no long-term risks to people, wildlife, or sensitive ecosystems. The absence of definitive evidence of harm should not be mistaken for definitive evidence of safety. When the health of an irreplaceable ecosystem like Lake Tahoe is at stake, uncertainty should compel greater caution—not justify moving forward as though the risks have been fully understood.

History has repeatedly taught us that substances once defended as safe were later found to have profound consequences for human health and the environment. Asbestos, leaded gasoline, DDT, PFAS, and countless other chemicals were widely accepted before science fully understood their long-term effects. We should learn from those mistakes instead of repeating them.

I am also deeply concerned about the role financial interests can play in shaping the public conversation surrounding glyphosate. The companies that manufacture and profit from this product have enormous financial incentives to defend its continued use. When billions of dollars are at stake, the public has every right to ask difficult questions and expect that decisions affecting public health and our environment are based on truly independent science, not influenced by corporate interests. The burden of proof should not fall on the public to prove a chemical is dangerous. The burden should rest on those proposing its use to demonstrate, through transparent, independent, long-term evidence, that it is truly necessary and that no safer alternatives can accomplish the same restoration goals.

We also do not have to look far to understand why so many Californians are concerned about widespread pesticide use. In the Pajaro Valley, one of the most heavily sprayed agricultural regions in California, residents, physicians, and community organizations have raised concerns for years about unusually high rates of childhood cancer and the potential role that chronic pesticide exposure may play. While scientists continue to study these relationships, the concerns voiced by those communities should not be ignored simply because every question has not yet been answered. They serve as a reminder that once chemicals are introduced into our environment, we often spend decades trying to understand the consequences.

I do not want Lake Tahoe to become another place where we look back years from now and ask ourselves why we ignored the warning signs when we had the opportunity to choose a different path.

Supporters of herbicide use often point to mitigation measures such as backpack application, stream buffers, and trained personnel. While those practices may reduce risk, they cannot eliminate it. Equipment can fail. Wind shifts unexpectedly. Storms arrive without warning. Snowmelt and runoff move materials in ways that cannot be perfectly predicted. Once a chemical enters a watershed, there is no practical way to remove it.

Perhaps the simplest question is also the one I find most compelling: if this chemical is truly safe, would any of us willingly bathe in water immediately after it had been treated with glyphosate? Would we encourage our children to swim in it? Would we feel completely comfortable drinking from streams downstream of treated areas?

If the answer is no—or even if there is hesitation—that hesitation should matter. It reflects a basic instinct that we should not ignore. If we would not willingly expose ourselves or our children to it, why should we expose one of the most pristine ecosystems in the world?

Lake Tahoe has spent decades earning a reputation as one of the cleanest and most carefully protected lakes on Earth. Millions of people visit each year because they believe they are experiencing an environment that has been safeguarded with extraordinary care. That trust is part of what makes Tahoe so special. Once it is compromised, it cannot easily be restored.

Tahoe should represent the highest standard of environmental stewardship. If there is any place where restoration efforts should prioritize manual vegetation management, prescribed fire, mechanical thinning, grazing where appropriate, and other non-chemical approaches—even if they require greater investment—that place is here.

Some decisions cannot be undone. Once contaminants enter a watershed, we cannot simply reverse that decision. The cost of preventing potential harm is almost always less than the cost of trying to repair it after the damage has been done.

Future generations deserve to inherit a Lake Tahoe that is just as clean, healthy, and breathtaking as the one we enjoy today. They deserve to know that when faced with uncertainty, we chose caution over convenience, prevention over regret, and stewardship over expedience.

I respectfully ask the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency to reject the use of glyphosate and other chemical herbicides within the Lake Tahoe Basin and instead champion restoration strategies that protect our forests without introducing unnecessary chemical risks to our water, wildlife, and communities.

Lake Tahoe is one of the last places where we should be taking chances. It deserves the highest level of protection we can provide.

Thank you for your time, your consideration, and your commitment to preserving this extraordinary place for generations to come.

Sincerely,

Salisha Blackburn

From: Nigel Wang <nigelwang82@yahoo.com>
Sent: 8/4/2026 11:41:56 AM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment - glyphosate spraying Caldor fire scar & basin

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Please do not spray this herbicide in Tahoe. Please keep this pristine beautiful lake the way it is naturally. There are ways to mitigate fire risk without resorting to carcinogenic herbicides. Our children swim in and drink from this lake.

From: Spencer Musgrove <spencerammon@icloud.com>
Sent: 8/3/2026 3:38:32 PM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment - glyphosate spraying Caldor fire scar & basin

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Hello, to whom it may concern, I oppose the spraying of glyphosate, round up, and other chemicals throughout the Lake Tahoe areas, Calder fire scar, and the basin. Glyphosate is a KNOW carcinogen, how can people and organizations be ok with spraying this shit all over the land where people enjoy the scenery and beauty of nature along side all the animals that live here? This is a HUGE problem that we do not need to exasperate by using chemicals that CAUSE CANCER, the organizations in charge of this project need to be held accountable and shown they are ruining the ecosystem as well as HARMING PEOPLE!

In short I opposed the use of glyphosate, round up, and other chemicals throughout Lake Tahoe area.

With gratitude,

Spencer Musgrove

From: Nancy S Spittler <nanooks44@icloud.com>
Sent: 8/3/2026 4:51:07 PM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment - glyphosate spraying Caldor fire scar & basin

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Glyphosate will kill off the whole ecosystem allowing for unacceptable consequences. This product is a carcinogenic which causes cancer and genetic defects in the animals inhabiting this space. It has been band in all the European countries so why are you even considering using it.

Stop what you're doing and deploy tactics which will enhance our environment rather than destroying it because that solution is easiest. I a tired of people defaulting to chemical solutions because it makes Trumps buddies rich!

Nancy Spittler

Sent from my iPhone

From: Davis Faught <drfaught@icloud.com>
Sent: 7/29/2026 9:07:38 AM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment - glyphosate spraying Caldor fire scar & basin

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TRPA,
I am an Oregon resident but I go to school in California. Please ban the use of glyphosates inside the Tahoe basin. There is no justification for spraying a likely carcinogen onto a burn area when the natural recovery process will happen. I think it is against the wishes of the people who live in that area and spraying chemicals that will get into everything, including areas where people swim and play is not the best idea. So please ban glyphosate use for that purpose and help keep Tahoe pristine.

From: Phara Bourque <pharaphoto@gmail.com>
Sent: 7/28/2026 12:16:45 PM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Lake Tahoe

I am begging you to please stop the US Forest Service from spraying glyphosate in the Lake Tahoe Basin area.
The use of the spray will have damaging effects for years and years. It is a known carcinogen and should not be used in a fragile ecosystem.
Thank you,
Phara Bourque
634 Night Heron Rd.
Cadiz, KY 42211
270-350-3363

Sent from my iPhone

From: Lauralynn Vineyard <llfeatherpistol@gmail.com>
Sent: 7/28/2026 9:52:53 AM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Cc: Dustin Vineyard <dustinvineyard@gmail.com>;
Subject: Glyhphosate Threat

Dear TRPA,

My husband and I are deeply concerned with the use of herbicides in the Tahoe Basin. We don't understand why anyone would want to intentionally spray a toxic chemical in our precious Tahoe oasis. It doesn't make sense for the trees, the plants, the wildlife, or the humans in our area. We do not believe humans should "play god" and mess with the balance of natural ecosystems. We are fervently submitting our comments to:

~BAN the use of synthetic herbicides in the Tahoe Basin

~request hand-crew thinning measures only (so people can have those jobs but we don't give anyone cancer)

Sincerely,
Lauralynn and Dustin Vineyard
2488 Palmira Ave
South Lake Tahoe CA 96150

From: Candace Hagedorn <chagedorn347@gmail.com>
Sent: 7/27/2026 9:44:08 AM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment - glyphosate spraying Caldor fire scar & basin

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Please do not spray herbicides in Lake Tahoe land areas. Find another way, please!

Thank you.
Candace
Sent from my iPhone

From: Anna Mihaly <anna.mihaly93@gmail.com>
Sent: 7/25/2026 3:06:54 PM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment - glyphosate spraying Caldor fire scar & basin

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Hi my name is Anna Mihaly,
I am a Reno & Tahoe local and I wanted to leave public comment.

I'm worried about glyphosaye spraying- it sounds like a very poor choice for burn scar management. Coorperations are already doing everything they can to buy up public land, why are risking further damage to burn scar land by spraying glyphosate pesticide on it? This seems like a dangerous tactic that could be manipulated by coorperations in order to buy up more land.

Thank you for looking into this and for considering the publics concerns

From: Lori Davey <loricarl2000@yahoo.com>
Sent: 7/23/2026 12:28:14 PM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment - glyphosate spraying Caldor fire scar & basin

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Hello,
I am writing to express my concerns with the possible glyphosate spraying in the Tahoe Basin.
Of most concern right now is the Caldor fire area but I also want to go on record as being completely opposed to any glyphosate spraying or any other herbicide spraying in the Tahoe Basin and beyond.

I truly hope that the TRPA and Forest Service have the health of our forests, the animals who live there, the precious water, the humans who live in these forests, and the wellbeing of the whole basin community in mind when considering what poisonous herbicides would do to All.

Thank you for making sure that the whole Tahoe Basin and communities surrounding the Basin, as well as the State of CA are made aware of what the Forest Service is considering. The public needs to be informed.

A concerned CA resident,
Lori Davey

From: Jocelyn Gmail <gilmour416@gmail.com>
Sent: 7/23/2026 4:35:16 AM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment - glyphosate spraying Caldor fire scar & basin

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Hello,

I am writing to request your organization to explicitly ban glyphosate spraying in the Lake Tahoe area. My family and I enjoy visiting the area, and using our travel budget there. The hiking and skiing are our favorites. Especially Kirkwood. Which we discovered this year. Our kids have designs on coming back in the summer to swim in the lake.

Thank you in advance for considering explicitly banning glyphosate spraying in the area to protect it.

– Jocelyn Gilmour

Wayne, Pennsylvania.

From: Maddy Crandall <mcranda9@gmail.com>
Sent: 7/21/2026 9:08:29 PM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Agenda Item No 11 General Written Public Comments

Dear TRPA Board,

I am a 29-year-old Tahoe resident, and I urge you to reject the use of glyphosate in our communities.

My generation is inheriting the responsibility of caring for this basin, and we do not want chemical herbicides sprayed in the places where we live, recreate, and raise our families. We especially do not want to risk these chemicals entering our streams, wetlands, and ultimately Lake Tahoe.

I understand invasive species management is a complex challenge, but I believe we should be investing in natural solutions that protect both ecosystem health and human health. Tahoe deserves management practices that reflect the extraordinary value of this place and the precaution we owe future generations.

The decisions you make today will shape the Tahoe my generation inherits tomorrow. Please choose stewardship that prioritizes clean water, healthy communities, and long-term ecological resilience over chemical intervention.

Thank you for your consideration.

Madeline Crandall
South Lake Tahoe Resident

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Madeline Crandall
Chief Marketing + Partnerships Officer | Advaya

From: Ilah Rose Minton <islayros@gmail.com>
Sent: 6/22/2026 8:26:57 PM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment - glyphosate spraying Caldor fire scar & basin

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Good Evening,

This is my third email I have written tonight regarding the herbicide spraying on the calador fire scar & Tahoe basin!
I am outranged that our forest service considered spraying toxic herbicides that are linked to cancer in humans on Tahoe, in order to support reforestations! This is not only dangerous and deadly for all the wild animals, plants and humans who live and enjoy Tahoe but there can be NO good for spraying any herbicides whatsoever and expecting the wild lands to recover well.
You have the power to stop this from happening, you have the power to investigate the methodology used to support our forests, wild life, and humans after a natural wild fire. Spraying Glyphosate is not one of them and never will be. I am asking you to stop the spraying from even happening, and consider other methods that do not include poison or chemicals that are used in round up and are linked to cancer.
It is well known that the plants who grow after a fire are food for wildlife, and some plants must burn to germinate and grow! Also it is well known that wild life can hunt better after a fire. Why can't we support the natural turn of events after a fire and let the land grow back by supporting growth not spraying glyphosate on everything expecting life to happen after that.

Humans can do better than this, humans are smarter than this.

Thank you for your time and I hope you will do the right thing for wild lands, wild animals, wild plants, and the humans who are there too!

Ilah Rose

From: Maryssa Cowart <maryssadaycowart@gmail.com>
Sent: 6/9/2026 7:44:55 AM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment - glyphosate spraying Caldor fire scar & basin

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Hi! I am a Permaculture gardener specializing in native rehabilitation of urban areas! Did you know planting native species is far more effective in combating weed regrowth of invasive plant species? It will also retain more water leading to less flooding and once the ecosystem balances it out, it will maintain itself. Meaning no money will be required for this space to become its most valuable on the future market!

From: Leah Elese <leahelese@gmail.com>
Sent: 6/8/2026 9:37:23 AM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment - glyphosate spraying Caldor fire scar & basin

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I am writing as a constituent deeply concerned about the U.S. Forest Service's plan to use glyphosate herbicide in the Caldor Fire Restoration Project near Lake Tahoe. Lake Tahoe is designated an "Outstanding National Resource" under the Clean Water Act. Introducing glyphosate into this watershed puts that designation at risk. Recent science raises serious red flags: the WHO's cancer research agency has classified glyphosate as a probable carcinogen, a 2025 long-term animal study found it caused multiple cancers at low doses, and a 2026 study found it may contribute to antimicrobial resistance. Glyphosate has also been linked to harm to pollinators, aquatic organisms, and soil health.

The Forest Service says no herbicide will enter the lake — but runoff in a mountain watershed is difficult to guarantee, especially across 11,100 acres of steep and variable terrain.

Eco-friendly, non-toxic alternatives for vegetation management exist and should be prioritized before any chemical spraying is considered.

I urge you to formally oppose this plan and push for a full independent review before any herbicide applications move forward. Protecting Tahoe's water and ecosystem is not a partisan issue — it is a responsibility we share.

Thank you for your time and service.

From: shannon vacca <shannonmassages@yahoo.com>
Sent: 6/7/2026 7:22:57 PM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment - glyphosate spraying Caldor fire scar & basin

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Please for the future of our children the flor and fauna wild life and our water ways BAN Glyphosate spraying it's not a solution it's health disaster that's going to happen. There was a reason it was banned for so many years. It has been linked to cancer and devastation not in the United States, but around the world.!
Shannon and Gerry Hunt
Sent from my iPhone

From: Derek Hobden <hobdenderek@gmail.com>
Sent: 6/7/2026 6:53:16 AM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment - glyphosate spraying Caldor fire scar & basin

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Hello TRPA team,

On the subject of widespread glyphosate spraying in wildfire affected areas of California and beyond, I urge you to take action to stop this within your jurisdiction.

We cannot risk the potential impacts of widespread chemical blankets in the Sierra ecosystem.

Best Regards,

Derek

Derek Hobden
hobdenderek@gmail.com
ph. (925) 786-3114

From: Christine Silk <christine@christinesilk.com>
Sent: 6/5/2026 11:41:19 AM
To: TRPA <trpa@trpa.gov>; Julie Regan <jregan@trpa.gov>; Jeff Cowen <jcowen@trpa.gov>; Shay Navarro <snavarro@trpa.gov>; Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: No Glyphosate

Dear TRPA,

Please stop allowing agencies to spray glyphosate and related herbicides in or near the Tahoe basin. There are numerous problems associated with glyphosate, especially toxicity to a variety of organisms (including humans), and contamination of the environment. I know that the official position from self-interested parties such as Montesano and their government allies is that glyphosate is "safe" when used according to their guidelines, but the work of scientists (such as Dr. Stephanie Seneff of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Dr. Michael Antoniou of King's College London) says that glyphosate and related herbicides are in fact harmful to a range of animals and to soil organisms that are essential for a healthy ecosystem. Just say no to glyphosate and related herbicides.

Sincerely,

Christine Silk, Ph.D.
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Author of the historical/supernatural novel *The Dark Fire*
Author Website: ChristineSilk.com
Cooking website: A Writer's Kitchen
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From: Isa Gonzalez <isagonsainz@gmail.com>
Sent: 6/1/2026 11:07:35 AM
To: Julie Regan <jregan@trpa.gov>
Cc: Graham St.Michel <gstmichel@trpa.gov>; Marja Ambler <mambler@trpa.gov>; Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>;
Subject: Saving Tahoe From Glyphosate

Hello Julie Regan,

Hope you are doing well and having a lovely week so far. My name is Isabel Gonzalez, born and raised in Truckee, Ca. I am 25 years old. I've gone through Truckee El all the way through THS making my High school proud, with 3 State Titles and 2 Regional Titles in the women's soccer team and proudly graduated from UNR in the spring of 2026 in Finance. I am very proud to be a part of this community and am so grateful for many of the experiences I have had living in Tahoe. I care so much about my home and the environment and our beautiful natural landscapes.

I am very torn and so unhappy to hear the idea of using glyphosate in our national forest. I see you care about the environment and you love going on hikes, skiing, and mountain biking. So why is this even a topic to bring up? Knowing that Glyphosate causes ALS, Cancer, and Parkinson's disease (many others). Like I said before, you have stated in your statement in TRPA that you enjoy the outdoors and so does your family. Think about the future of your kids and the cause they will grow up in. Your team is thinking about short term fixes when in reality this will cause some long term damages to the soil, the water streams in the future and damaging the quality of Lake Tahoe. Stop working extra and let nature heal itself! We are human and should not play as Mother Nature. Just enjoy the way the forest is restoring itself. Just like when we get a cut, we need to heal and get a slight scar in the process remembering the challenges we went through. Please think about this very intelligently, STOP the IDEA of using this toxic chemical, for once let us have something good happen in our country and make history by changing the topic of using the chemical as a restoration.

There will never be a benefit from using toxic chemicals in our world! This is killing the growth of life and the growth of our forest. Work smarter, not harder and let the forest restore itself, Mother nature is way more powerful than we think, it doesn't need our help at all.

Warm regards,

Isabel Gonzalez
isagonsainz@gmail.com
+1(530) 414-5386

From: Gavin Van Steenburgh <gvansteenburgh@icloud.com>
Sent: 5/31/2026 12:17:14 PM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment - glyphosate spraying Caldor fire scar & basin

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Hi,

Do not spray glyphosate. This will alter the ecosystem irrevocably. As a long time resident, this is unacceptable and goes against the long history of Tahoe to Keep Tahoe Blue.

Thank you,
Gavin V
American, California & Tahoe Resident

From: Tim Katie Opalenik <timkatieopalenik@gmail.com>
Sent: 5/30/2026 12:16:26 PM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment - glyphosate spraying Caldor fire scar & basin

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We 100% are opposed to spraying in our forests!!!
We will not support any politician who supports this!

Katie and Tim Opalenik
Colfax, CA

From: Skyler Vander Molen <skylervm@gmail.com>
Sent: 5/30/2026 2:21:22 PM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment - glyphosate spraying Caldor fire scar & basin

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This is absolutely wrong and must not go forward. We know the damaged glyphosate directly causes and it is inexcusable to take such a heavy handed and destructive action to a natural environment like this that the entire region depends on remaining healthy.

Please do not let this go forward.

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Skyler Vander Molen
skylervm@gmail.com
skylervandermolen.com

From: catherine pool <crbum51@icloud.com>
Sent: 5/30/2026 11:25:40 AM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Roundup

I write to express my opposition to the proposed use of glyphosate in the Tahoe basin Calder fire burn scar. This application will kill all plants in the area and wash into the lake. It has been shown to cause cancer and is detrimental to the lake aquatic system. Have we learned nothing? Much better to manually remove unwanted plants and leave existing new growth that is occurring. BAN GLOCOPHOSPHATE FROM THE BASIN!!!

Cathe Pool, PE

7754501480

Sent from my iPhone

From: Vanna Conrady <vanna_conrady@yahoo.com>
Sent: 5/29/2026 5:39:33 PM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Fw: Glyphosate spraying Caldor Fire Scar Basin

I am a 24 year homeowner in the Carnelian Bay Area of the Lake and I am extremely concerned about the leakage of the glyphosate cancer causing toxins that are polluting the Lake. Tahoe is a National Treasure and amongst the most pure water in the world. You have been a constant protector of the Lake and I can't understand why are you letting the EPA and US Forrest Service threaten our home, health , environment , equity and ultimately your livelihood.

For the sake of our future and the future of our children and Lake Tahoe please stop the poisoning of our Lake!

Concerned homeowner,

Vanna Conrady
935 Carnelian Circle
925-566-4752

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

From: Audrey Webostad <awebostad@gmail.com>
Sent: 5/29/2026 10:21:08 AM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment - glyphosate spraying Caldor fire scar & basin

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Hello, my name is Audrey Webostad and I am a concerned citizen from California. I am reaching out regarding the Forest Service's authorization of glyphosate spraying across 2,400 to 3,600 acres of the Caldor Fire Restoration Project in the Lake Tahoe Basin.

The Lake Tahoe Basin is an Area of National Concern with legendary water clarity and fragile alpine ecosystems. Aerial and ground spraying of glyphosate here contradicts the Forest Service's mission to sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of the nation's forests.

I am requesting that you:
1. Direct the Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit to withdraw herbicide authorization from this project
2. Issue national guidance prioritizing non-chemical restoration methods in watershed areas
3. Require a full Environmental Impact Statement for any future herbicide proposals in the Tahoe Basin

Thank you.

From: Amanda Mahaffey <amandamahaffeywrites@gmail.com>
Sent: 5/29/2026 4:01:17 AM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment - glyphosate spraying Caldor fire scar & basin

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Good morning,

There is nothing that makes America greater than its wilderness areas, waterways, and the incredible biodiversity that lives and thrives upon our land. It is our work as American citizens to steward this land we have been granted and to care for it with the utmost respect.

The dangerous effects of glyphosphate can not be understated. Spraying it in Tahoe on land that is recovering from fire is absolutely horrific.

Land and forest undergoes fire as a part of its natural ecology. The land is prepared to heal itself and regrow in the way it is supposed to. Our work as the human stewards of land is to assist when we can - such as using mycological remediation, pre-planning and executing prescription burns, planting and tending native plants if absolutely necessary, and mechanically removing invasive species. Glyphosphate has no hand in this whatsoever. It has been banned abroad and needs banned in the US immediately. It certainly does not need to be a part of any short or long-term forest management strategies in our great state of California or in our country, at large.

Best Wishes,
Amanda Mahaffey

From: Wendy Stephens <wndystphns@hotmail.com>
Sent: 5/28/2026 12:06:21 PM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Glyphosate Spraying in Tahoe

What is TRPA's mission? As a community, we can easily search up your website and read the following.

Our Mission:

"Established in 1969, the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency was the nation's first bi-state regional environmental planning agency. Our mission is to lead the cooperative effort to preserve, restore, and **enhance the unique natural and human environment of the Lake Tahoe Region, while improving local communities, and people's interactions with our irreplaceable environment.**

Vision

Our vision is for a lake environment that is sustainable, **healthy, and safe for the community and future generations**.

Have you forgotten your objectives? Your singular purpose is to keep the people, the environment and the lake pure, pristine, safe and natural. How then can spraying toxic cancer-causing chemicals achieve these objectives?
International Study Reveals Glyphosate Weed Killers Cause Multiple Types of Cancer | College of Public Health

And there are many other studies. Additionally, Monsanto lawsuits involve over 61,000 active cases claiming Roundup weedkiller causes non-Hodgkin's lymphoma. Bayer has settled approximately 100,000 claims for $11 billion. Round up's key ingredient is glyphosate.

Whatever are the problems TRPA is trying to address with this poison, I urge you to look to other, safer ideas and solutions. Spraying toxic poison across our basin is an absolutely unacceptable option. The Jewel of the Sierra deserves the utmost protections. There are few more special places in all the world.

Sincerely,
Wendy Marquez - 27 year Lake Tahoe resident
For additional comments and concerns or should you have any questions, feel free to call me. 530-208-7415

From: Trey Collins <trey.collins3@icloud.com>
Sent: 5/28/2026 12:34:44 PM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment - glyphosate spraying Caldor fire scar & basin

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To whom it may concern,
The environmental catastrophe that would result from the spraying of glyphosate would cost more than what it is meant to protect from. This place is my home. It is rare and fragile ecosystem. Glyphosate would UNDOUBTEDLY ruin this. Please protect tahoe.
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From: Theora Dobronte <theora.dobronte@gmail.com>
Sent: 5/28/2026 2:49:25 AM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment - glyphosate spraying Caldor fire scar & basin

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to abolish this ridiculous attempt to destroy Tahoe with Glyphosate.

As a registered dietitian and a Tahoe local, this is personal to me. Glyphosate causes cancer and kills anything in its path. This is NOT an acceptable method of support for Tahoe. Glyphosate has no place in beautiful Tahoe or anywhere for that matter. You will single handedly be poisoning all of Northern California, the people included, is that your goal?

We pay taxes and have a right to vote for a reason and I DO NOT CONSENT TO THIS. I do not consent to being poisoned, to killing wildlife, to putting toxins in our water and lands. I do not consent to using a chemical that in KNOWN, yes I said known it is not linked, to cancer through MANY studies and lawsuits. You cannot do this to us. We have rights and we have a right to our safety and security.

Please protect the lake, the wildlife, the drinking water, and all of us who call this place home and all those who travel to visit us.

Sincerely,
Theora Dobronte

From: Nicole Drakulich <ngddesign@gmail.com>
Sent: 5/28/2026 4:06:06 PM
To: publiccomment@trpa.gov <publiccomment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment glyphosate spring Caldor fire scar and basin

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I am against the Spraying of this anywhere in the world, especially Lake Tahoe!!

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From: Margaret Goerig <margaretgoerig@gmail.com>
Sent: 5/28/2026 7:31:06 PM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment - glyphosate spraying Caldor fire scar & basin

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Hello, as a California resident based in Sacramento, I strongly oppose the use of synthetic herbicides in the Tahoe region and urge you to push federal agencies to utilize non-chemical forest restoration alternatives. The fact that this is even being considered is appalling to me but I appreciate that we have a chance to make public comment. I hope that I'm not too late.

I lived in Lake Tahoe for a year back in the late 90s and it was one of the most formative years of my life. Having grown up in the suburban American South, I had never experienced so much nature outside my front door. The fact that Tahoe continues to be such an unspoiled place all these decades later, with so many people having since discovered it, is amazing and we have to do everything we can to protect it.

The Native Americans did not use these methods! There is no reason we need to use these methods. Please do better and please do not destroy one of our most precious assets in the state.

Thank you,
Maggie

From: Jorja longero <longofour@yahoo.com>
Sent: 5/28/2026 1:28:04 PM
To: publiccomment@trpa.gov <publiccomment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment-glyphosate spraying Calder fire scar & basin

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We have one of the most beautiful jewels in the world in Tahoe. I feel strongly we need to continue to protect it. Please explicitly prohibit synthetic herbicides, more specifically right now the glyphosate spraying. I am truly amazed it is even being discussed. Please do what is within your power to not allow it. Thank you.

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

From: Laura Perazzoli <laurarenee.p@gmail.com>
Sent: 5/28/2026 11:13:35 AM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment - glyphosate spraying caldor fire scar and basin

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I'm extremely troubled to learn that the USFS had plans to spray glyphosate across the Tahoe bioregion. Toxic herbicides should not be used for widespread spraying; they are damaging to ecosystems, waterways, soil, humans and animals. The Tahoe basin is an area where many people live, recreate, and make a living—it is not a place we should be using widespread toxic herbicides.
Please do not spray toxic herbicides in this region.
Sincerely
Laura Perazzoli

From: Jake Kessler <jakekess23@gmail.com>
Sent: 5/28/2026 7:45:18 AM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment - glyphosate spraying Caldor fire scar & basin

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It would be wise for any employees that will be spraying these chemicals to consider their position on this planet and the livelihoods of their chidren

From: c c <hope278@live.com>
Sent: 5/28/2026 4:12:40 AM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: No glyphosate in Lake Tahoe

Hi, my name is Crystal. I've called and now I will also write. I am very passionate about this cause there should be no glyphosate sprayed in our national forest or parks or any public lands for that matter glyphosate is a carcinogen. We all know that so how are you allowing this to happen? It's going to affect our health, our water, and animals and ecosystems .. Trump already doesn't like California so he doesn't care what he does to our state but I care.. This is not making America healthy again. You are allowing us to be poisoned. It's gonna affect you as well. Your children, your grandchildren for years to come. This is a very serious matter. I am very upset and disheartened to see that this is happening.. we need to stop this and we need to stop it now..
Thank you,
Crystal
Sent from my iPhone

From: Emily Foley <foleyemilym@gmail.com>
Sent: 5/28/2026 8:00:42 AM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment - glyphosate spraying Caldor fire scar & basin

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If you're considering spraying this poison I don't know what I could say to convince you otherwise, but you're a human too. You belong to this land and this planet too, so why would you treat it this way? You're someone with loved ones and children and future children and grandchildren in your live or the lives of those you love, so why would you take a risk of harming them like this?

For all the yearlong residents who have had their land threatened, and I include the trees and animals and fish along with the humans being pushed out by commercial interests and corporate greed, I have to beg you to remember that you belong to the land too.

To the parts of you that remember who you are, and what you love, I am asking you to stand up for the safety of the land and the people you have the power to protect or hurt.

From: Erin Massengale <erinmassengale@protonmail.com>
Sent: 5/28/2026 1:54:00 PM
To: publiccomment@trpa.gov <publiccomment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment - glyphosate spraying Caldor fire scar & basin

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Hello

My name is Erin, and I strongly oppose the proposed spraying of glyphosate in the Tahoe Basin. Lake Tahoe is one of the most fragile and treasured alpine ecosystems in the country. Introducing a controversial herbicide into this watershed puts our water, wildlife, pollinators, soil health, and public trust at risk.

Even the possibility of runoff, drift, or long-term ecological disruption is too high a price to pay in a region known for its pristine waters and biodiversity. There are safer, more regenerative land management practices available that do not involve chemical exposure near our communities, trails, campgrounds, and waterways.

Tahoe is not an industrial testing ground. It is a living ecosystem that deserves protection for future generations. I urge you to stop this plan, and pursue non-toxic alternatives instead.

Thank you.

Tlazohkamati!

Erin

"The real medicine is on the spiritual level." ~ Karyn Sanders

From: Araceli “Chely” Aguilar <araceliaguilar165@gmail.com>
Sent: 5/28/2026 6:21:40 PM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment - glyphosate spraying caldo fire scar and basin

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Spraying toxic chemicals in our forests and ecosystems does more damage than good to our environment. As a resident born and raised in California this news has deeply saddened me. Glyphosate has been scientifically tested to be toxic and harmful to both humans & wildlife! This cannot happen, we as humans are better than this.

There are many safer AND smarter alternatives available, regenerative forest management is important BUT so is the wellbeing and health of those who live near or in that forest.

This world is a paradise, it was made for us to take care of AND enjoy. Let’s do better & make that our first priority as a human. No Poison and chemicals should ever be sprayed in our beautiful forests! WE NEED TO PROTECT TAHOE FROM THIS!

From: Amy Smith <amy@smithteamcb.com>
Sent: 5/28/2026 9:20:00 PM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment - glyphosate spraying Caldor fire scar & basin - CLASS ACTION LAWSUIT INEVITABLE?
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It's hard to understand how federal and regional agencies are not concerned about the potential long-term financial and health liability here. Glyphosate has been at the center of massive lawsuits across the country, with Bayer/Monsanto paying out billions after people claimed exposure contributed to cancer diagnoses. Yet we are knowingly introducing this chemical into one of the most beautiful and environmentally sensitive places in the country.

Are these agencies truly being good stewards of Lake Tahoe, our environment, wildlife, water quality, and taxpayer dollars? Or are they creating even more future risk for the very communities they are supposed to protect?

Need we remind everyone what happened when Washoe County overtaxed Incline Village residents? The community came together, fought back, and Washoe County ended up having to pay substantial money back. History has shown that when citizens unite around an issue they believe is wrong, they can absolutely hold agencies accountable.

If enough residents around the lake believe this spraying is unsafe or irresponsible, is a class action lawsuit inevitable? And if that happens, can these agencies really afford to spend even more taxpayer money fighting citizens in court and paying attorneys' fees instead of protecting the lake in the first place?

References:

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Washoe County approves $56M settlement in Tahoe tax fight

Cheers to the lake life!

Amy Marie Smith

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From: Sunshine Hansen <sunsunhansen@gmail.com>
Sent: 5/27/2026 3:06:57 PM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: 'public comment glyphosate spraying Caldor fire scar & basin'

Dear TRPA Board Members,

I am writing as a local resident and someone who deeply cares about the long-term health of the Lake Tahoe Basin.

I respectfully urge you to amend the TRPA Code of Ordinances to explicitly prohibit the use of synthetic herbicides, including glyphosate, within the Tahoe Basin.

Lake Tahoe is an internationally recognized natural treasure and an ecosystem that requires extraordinary protection. Allowing chemical herbicide spraying in such a sensitive environment raises serious concerns about impacts to water quality, soil health, wildlife, pollinators, and public trust.

Many residents are not opposed to vegetation management or environmental restoration efforts. We understand the challenges involved. However, introducing synthetic herbicides into this watershed is not a reasonable or responsible long-term solution. Once chemicals enter the ecosystem, the consequences can be difficult — or impossible — to reverse.

As local residents, we are asking TRPA to lead with precaution, transparency, and stewardship. There are safer management practices available that do not carry the same risks associated with glyphosate and other synthetic herbicides.

Please listen to the concerns of the community you serve and take action to protect Lake Tahoe for future generations.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Sunshine Hansen

Sent from my iPhone

From: Melanie Peterson <mpeterso111@gmail.com>
Sent: 5/27/2026 4:35:46 PM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment - glyphosate spraying Caldor fire scar & basin.

Hello. I am voicing my strong disappointment in your practice of spraying glyphosate on the Caldor burn areas. I come from a Forest Service family. I grew up on ranger stations while my dad was a ranger. My brother's entire career as a civil engineer was spent with the USFS. My husband and I are volunteers with the El Dorado National Forest and spend countless hours in the forest cleaning areas where garbage has been dumped illegally.

I have always held the belief that this institution has a difficult job of mitigating the many interests that come with managing forest lands. The tagline "land of many uses" speaks to the task of trying to please many different groups with varying areas of concern. I simply cannot believe that a proven toxic chemical such as glyphosate was deemed to be the "best" option, much less that it was not made public knowledge before spaying. It should never have even been considered as an option.

Please hear my voice. In this crazy world these forest lands are the one thing that can help make sense of so many silly and confusing human problems. I expect more - be part of the holistic solution. Please!

Melanie Sent from my iPhone

From: Mandy Hamilton | Coach <me@mandyhamilton.com>
Sent: 5/27/2026 3:02:01 PM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Stop on glyphosate

Hi all,

Please do not spray herbicides and pesticides anywhere in tahoe, especially glyphosate. As a tax paying resident, I say no.

Thank you,
Mandy
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Warmly,

Mandy

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From: Marty Schoonmaker <marty.schoonmaker@gmail.com>
Sent: 5/27/2026 3:29:01 PM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment - glyphosate spraying Caldor fire scar & basin

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To Whom It May Concern:

Spraying glyphosate ("Roundup") to prevent invasive species from growing and to encourage pine regeneration feels wrong on many levels.

This spraying does not just affect invasive vegetation — it also impacts native plant species, wildlife, animal offspring, soil health, and ultimately the water quality of the lake itself. If golf courses are carefully regulated regarding fertilizers, and snow removal companies are regulated regarding snow storage, road salting, and watershed runoff in order to protect the Lake Tahoe Basin, it seems contradictory to allow the spraying of glyphosate in sensitive forest and watershed areas.

There are also ongoing concerns regarding the potential health effects of glyphosate exposure, including possible links to lymphoma and damage to endothelial and epithelial tissues throughout the body, including the gut and lungs.

We have seen in the past how environmental chemicals can impact wildlife for generations. Bald eagle populations and egg viability only recently began recovering after decades of pesticide exposure such as DDT. While this current spraying may be targeted only in wildfire burn areas, chemicals do not stay neatly contained. Spray can drift through the air with wind and breezes, and runoff can travel through streams and watersheds directly into the lake.

Forests have regenerated naturally for centuries after fires. Nature has its own balance and recovery process. Rather than introducing additional chemicals into an already fragile ecosystem, perhaps we should allow the land to heal and regrow as it is meant to.

Protecting the long-term health of the watershed, wildlife, and community should come before short-term vegetation management goals.

Martha Schoonmaker, Physical Therapist
Full Time Resident in Tahoe Basin for 59 years
Sent from my iPhone

From: Laura Cottril <lauracottril@gmail.com>
Sent: 5/27/2026 4:00:28 PM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment - glyphosate spraying Caldor fire scar & basin

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I'm writing to object to the recent news revealing the use of glyphosate in the Tahoe area, additionally around burn areas. Learning of this poison use in the forests is shocking and goes against nature in regeneration after forest fires. Not only does it kill native species and suffocate the natural diversity of the forest, it enters the water system which supplies our drinking water.

This whole farce appears as a back door money grab and not what anyone wants that cares for Tahoe and our drinking water.

Please cancel the Glyphosate contracts and let nature repair itself.

Laura Cottril
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From: guava_sinuous_2p@icloud.com <guava_sinuous_2p@icloud.com>
Sent: 5/27/2026 4:38:28 PM
To: Public Comment <PublicComment@trpa.gov>
Subject: Public comment - glyphosate spraying Caldor fire scar & basin

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To TRPA

As someone who has a strong connection with Tahoe since the 1970s, I implore you to stop and ban the spraying of Glyphosate in the entire region. I genuinely do not understand how, knowing what we already know about the effects of this toxic chemical, anyone can think of using Glyphosate. Tahoe especially is known for its amazing nature. Spraying Glyphosate is a horrible idea for all life here.

Thank you for taking the right and wise course of action for our collective future.

Han-Yu Loo