

Appendix G-3: Recreation Area & Bike Trail Ratings

Public Recreation Areas

<b>Recreation Area Number</b>		1				
<b>Recreation Area Name</b>		Nevada Beach				
<b>Description of Changes (Contribute to or Deduct from)</b>						
<b>On site</b>	(2011) Replaced two restrooms, retrofit day use parking, retrofit roads and spurs in campground area. (2015) New pavilion, restrooms, paver and flexible campsite walkways.					
<b>Off site</b>	(2015) New pier to the south for Tahoe Beach Club					
<b>Scenic Quality Ratings Changes</b>						
<i>Views from Recreation Area</i>						
No change.						
<i>Natural Features</i>						
No change.						
<i>Man-Made Features</i>						
1-a: Restrooms						
<b>Year</b>	<b>Coherence</b>	<b>Condition</b>	<b>Compatibility</b>	<b>Design Quality</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Status</b>
1993	2	4	2	2	10	A
2001	2	4	2	2	10	A
2006	2	4	2	2	10	A
2011	3	5	3	3	14	A
2015	3	5	3	3	14	A
1-b: Parking and Roads						
<b>Year</b>	<b>Coherence</b>	<b>Condition</b>	<b>Compatibility</b>	<b>Design Quality</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Status</b>
1993	3	4	3	2	12	A
2001	3	4	3	2	12	A
2006	3	4	3	2	12	A
2011	3	5	3	3	14	A
2015	3	5	3	3	14	A
<b>2001 Recommendations:</b> Needs aggressive replanting in the picnic/parking lot areas. Needs additional planting along north property line. The interpretive trail from the campground out into the Jennings Casino site restoration and to the trailhead off Kahle Drive should be included in the inventory.						
<b>2015 Recommendations:</b> Provide additional screening between the beach and parking areas.						

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<b>Recreation Area Number</b>		4				
<b>Recreation Area Name</b>		Sand Harbor				
<b>Description of Changes (Contribute to or Deduct from)</b>						
<b>On site</b>	(2015) New beach overlooks (3), stone facing, dark grey railing on decks					
<b>Off site</b>						
<b>Scenic Quality Ratings Changes</b>						
<i>Views from Recreation Area</i>						
4-2						
Year	Unity	Vividness	Variety	Intactness	Score	Status
1993	5	4	5	3	17	A
2001	4.5	4	5	3	16.5	N
2006	5	4	5	3	17	A
2011	5	4	5	3	17	A
2015	5	4	5	3	17	A
Notes:						
The score for this resource has been adjusted to account for an error in the 2001 rating. The resource is of a panoramic view of the lake, and park development is not visible from this viewpoint and therefore the park does not have an impact on the rating.						
(2015) Overlook design is harmonious and compatible with existing facilities. They do not detract from overall scenic quality but promote use and enjoyment by the public. Hand rails along stairway are very light grey, requirement for ADA compliance. Recommend darker grey to match deck.						
<i>Natural Features</i>						
4-7						
Year	Unity	Vividness	Variety	Intactness	Score	Status
1993	5	4	4	4	17	A
2001	3.5	3	4	2	12.5	N
2006	4	3	4	2	13.0	N
2011	4	3	4	2	13.0	N
2015	4	3	4	2	13.0	N
Notes:						
The 1993 rating for this resource was low; this evaluation amends the points for Vividness and Variety assigned then. Over time, the vegetation along the beach has receded due to trampling and the addition of the boardwalk, stage, drinking fountain retaining wall, have all combined to reduce the visual quality of the beach.						
The 2006 unity rating has been improved by 0.5 points due to the construction of permanent fencing to reduce the trampling of vegetation and the maturing of vegetation that reduce the contrast of the retaining wall.						
(2015) Walkways from parking lots to shoreline facilities have been replaced (new concrete walks). Improvement to overall aesthetics of the recreation area, but not to the extent that would raise the overall score.						
<i>Man-Made Features</i>						
4-i: Festival Area						
Year	Coherence	Condition	Compatibility	Design Quality	Score	Status
1993	--	--	--	--	--	--
2001	4	4	3	4	15	A
2006	4	4	3	4	15	A
2011	4	4	3	4	15	A
2015	4	4	3	4	15	A

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<b>Recreation Area Name</b>	Sand Harbor					
<b>Notes:</b>						
(2011) The new amphitheater structures display high design values and establish a more organized and coherent festival use compared to the pre-project condition. The size of the new facility and its use of a stone type not compatible with the color and shape of on-site rock are detriments, however. The 2000 November condition of the stage reflects several features that may be out of compliance with the TRPA permit, particularly the wall around the stage and the superstructure, both of which were to be removed after the performance season. The vegetation restoration on Sand Point that was part of the amphitheater approval is scheduled to begin in 2001. Completion of the mitigation measures will improve both the condition and compatibility scores for this area.						
<b>Recreation Area Number</b>	4					
<b>Recreation Area Name</b>	Sand Harbor					
<b>Description of Changes (Contribute to or Deduct from)</b>						
<b>On site</b>	See above.					
<b>Off site</b>	See above.					
<b>Scenic Quality Ratings Changes Cont.</b>						
4-j: Visitor Center						
<b>Year</b>	<b>Coherence</b>	<b>Condition</b>	<b>Compatibility</b>	<b>Design Quality</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Status</b>
1993	--	--	--	--	--	--
2001	--	--	--	--	--	--
2006	4	5	4	5	18	A
2011	4	5	4	5	18	A
2015	4	5	4	5	18	A
<b>Notes:</b>						
(2006) This is a new man-made resource. The visitor center is setback among existing trees and is an example of good facilities design. The siting, materials, and architectural quality complements and fits within the overall natural scenic setting.						
<b>Recommendations:</b>						
(2001) The concrete retaining walls around the drinking fountains should be faced with sand-colored stone. State Parks should enforce terms of the lease agreement with amphitheater users relative to seasonal removal of stage structures. To reduce the color contrast between the sand and the stone used on the stage structure, additional vegetation capable of growth to 15' should be planted between the stage and the boardwalk. Where possible, additional vegetation should be planted downslope of the boardwalk to reduce the dominance of the shadow line.						
(2006) The amphitheater continues to be out of compliance with the TRPA permit conditions and should be stained according the conditions of the permit. Also see 2001 recommendations.						
(2015) Hand rails along stairway are very light grey, requirement for ADA compliance. Recommend darker grey to match deck.						

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<b>Recreation Area Number</b>		11				
<b>Recreation Area Name</b>		Agatam Beach (Tahoe Vista Recreation Area)				
<b>Description of Changes (Contribute to or Detract from)</b>						
<b>On site</b>	<p>(2006) The expansion of this recreation site has been completed with upgrades that have improved the overall architectural features and extensive landscaping has been introduced that improves the overall aesthetic character of the Agatam Beach. New sidewalk, retaining walls, concrete stairs, and restroom have been completed that use natural rock and wood materials that complements the site and provides access to the beach and expansive lake views. The parking lot is well designed and landscaped and does not detract from the overall aesthetic character of the recreation area.</p> <p>(2015) New parking of opposite side of SR 28. Nice design, materials, landscaping. Provides an aesthetic amenity to the SR 28 corridor.</p>					
<b>Off site</b>	<p>(2006) Caltrans installed a traffic light at the intersection of National Avenue.</p> <p>(2015) Trailer parking is at back of the lot, away from SR 28.</p>					
<b>Scenic Quality Ratings Changes</b>						
<i>Views from Recreation Area</i>						
No change. View 11-1 will remain the prominent view from the beach even after an expanded inventory includes the remainder of the publicly owned property.						
<i>Natural Features</i>						
No change.						
<i>Man-Made Features</i>						
11-a: Entry Treatment						
Year	Coherence	Condition	Compatibility	Design Quality	Score	Status
1993	1	1	2	1	5	A
2001	1	1	2	1	5	A
2006	4	5	4	5	18	A
2011	4	5	4	5	18	A
2015	4	5	4	5	18	A
11-b: Parking Area						
Year	Coherence	Condition	Compatibility	Design Quality	Score	Status
1993	2	1	3	1	7	A
2001	2	1	3	1	7	A
2006	4	5	4.5	5	18.5	A
2011	4	5	4.5	5	18.5	A
2015	4	5	4.5	5	18.5	A
11-c: Restroom Facilities						
Year	Coherence	Condition	Compatibility	Design Quality	Score	Status
1993	2	2	2	1	7	A
2001	2	2	2	1	7	A
2006	4	5	5	5	19	A
2011	4	5	5	5	19	A
2015	4	5	5	5	19	A
Notes:						
<p>(2001) The property surrounding the 1993 Agatam Beach parcel has changed dramatically, although no on site improvements have been made.</p> <p>(2006) Extensive upgrades to the existing man-made features and introduction of landscaping have dramatically improved the overall aesthetic character of Agatam Beach</p>						

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**Recommendations:**  
 (2001) Inventory should be updated to include all the public access in this area. New uses planned for this entire parcel should maximize the lake view available from the road, establish an upgraded entry, screen all parking from view from the beach and roadway, and limit the size and mass of future planned structures.

<b>Recreation Area Number</b>		24				
<b>Recreation Area Name</b>		Meeks Bay Campground				
<b>Description of Changes (Contribute to or Deduct from)</b>						
<b>On site</b>	(2015) new masonry block wall replaces chain link fence along the highway frontage.					
<b>Off site</b>	None					
<b>Scenic Quality Ratings Changes</b>						
<i>Views from Recreation Area</i>						
Notes: (2015) Top edge of wall is different stone material. Contrasts with block wall in color and texture.						
<i>Natural Features</i>						
No change.						
<i>Man-Made Features</i>						
24-c: Highway Perimeter Fence						
Year	Coherence	Condition	Compatibility	Design Quality	Score	Status
1993	--	--	--	--	--	--
2001	--	--	--	--	--	--
2006	--	--	--	--	--	--
2011	4	2	3	4	13	A
2015	4	2	3	4	13	A
Notes:						
(2011) Black vinyl clad fence with wood posts on 4-foot centers has positive visual character while being fairly unobtrusive.						
(2015) Aesthetics of the new wall seem inconsistent with campground overall. The wall color is too red, and it restricts visibility beyond the campground.						
<b>Recommendations:</b>						
(2011) Damaged portions of fence are unsightly and should be repaired. Design of fence should be modified to prevent future damage.						

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<b>Recreation Area Number</b>		29				
<b>Recreation Area Name</b>		Fallen Leaf Lake Campground				
<b>Description of Changes (Contribute to or Deduct from)</b>						
<b>On site</b>	(2015) Replaced restrooms. And new bike trail within the campground					
<b>Off site</b>	None					
<b>Scenic Quality Ratings Changes</b>						
<i>Views from Recreation Area</i>						
No change.						
<i>Natural Features</i>						
No change.						
<i>Man-Made Features</i>						
29-a: Restroom Building Replaced						
<b>Year</b>	<b>Coherence</b>	<b>Condition</b>	<b>Compatibility</b>	<b>Design Quality</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Status</b>
1993	4	4	4	4	16	A
2001	4	4	4	4	16	A
2006	4	4	4	4	16	A
2011	4	4	4	4	16	A
2015	4	4	4	4	16	A
<b>Notes:</b>						
(2015) New restroom building retains the visual quality of the original facility.						

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<b>Recreation Area Number</b>		35				
<b>Recreation Area Name</b>		Regan Beach				
<b>Description of Changes (Contribute to or Deduct from)</b>						
<b>On site</b>	(2015) Gradual deterioration of all man-made features.					
<b>Off site</b>	None.					
<b>Scenic Quality Ratings Changes</b>						
<i>Views from Recreation Area</i>						
No changes.						
<i>Natural Features</i>						
No changes.						
<i>Man-Made Features</i>						
35-b: Rest Rooms						
<b>Year</b>	<b>Coherence</b>	<b>Condition</b>	<b>Compatibility</b>	<b>Design Quality</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Status</b>
1993	3	3	2	3	11	A
2001	3	3	2	3	11	A
2006	3	3	2	3	11	A
2011	3	3	2	3	11	A
2015	3	2	2	2	9	N
35-c: Parking						
1993	2	3	2	2	9	A
2001	2	3	2	2	9	A
2006	2	3	2	2	9	A
2011	2	3	2	2	9	A
2015	2	2.5	2	2	8.5	N
35-d: Beach						
1993	3	3	4	3	13	A
2001	3	3	4	3	13	A
2006	3	3	4	3	13	A
2011	3	3	4	3	13	A
2015	3	2	4	3	12	N
35-e: Landscaping						
1993	2	2	2	1	7	A
2001	2	2	2	1	7	A
2006	2	2	2	1	7	A
2011	2	2	2	1	7	A
2015	1	1	2	1	5	N
<b>Notes:</b>						
(2015) Man-made features at the site appear at or near the end of their useful life.						

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<b>Recreation Area Number</b>		36				
<b>Recreation Area Name</b>		El Dorado Beach and Campground				
<b>Description of Changes (Contribute to or Deduct from)</b>						
<b>On site</b>	(2011) Redesign of entire shoreline portion of the park. (2015) Significant redesign completed including: amphitheater, rock vegetation, restrooms, snack stand, walkways, landscaping, boat ramp, expanded picnic area, relocated and reconfigured parking and bike trail, patios and paved walkways, railing with open visual access, low-level unobtrusive lighting, campground better connect with crosswalks, tent cabins added to the campground					
<b>Off site</b>	None					
<b>Scenic Quality Ratings Changes</b>						
<i>Views from Recreation Area</i>						
No change.						
<i>Natural Features</i>						
No change.						
<i>Man-Made Features</i>						
<b>33-a: Restrooms</b>						
<b>Year</b>	<b>Coherence</b>	<b>Condition</b>	<b>Compatibility</b>	<b>Design Quality</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Status</b>
1993	3	3	2	3	11	A
2001	3	3	2	3	11	A
2006	3	3	2	3	11	A
2011	3	5	3	4	15	A
2015	3	5	3	4	15	A
<b>33-b: Parking</b>						
1993	3	4	3	4	14	A
2001	3	4	3	4	14	A
2006	3	4	3	4	14	A
2011	3	4	3	4	14	A
2015	3	4	3	4	14	A
<b>33-c: Lakefront and Picnic Area</b>						
<b>Year</b>	<b>Coherence</b>	<b>Condition</b>	<b>Compatibility</b>	<b>Design Quality</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Status</b>
1993	3	4	3	2	12	A
2001	4	4	4	4	16	A
2006	4	4	4	4	16	A
2011	4	5	4	5	18	A
2015	4	5	4	5	18	A
<b>33-d: Boat Ramp</b>						
<b>Year</b>	<b>Coherence</b>	<b>Condition</b>	<b>Compatibility</b>	<b>Design Quality</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Status</b>
1993	3	4	1	2	10	A
2001	3	4	1	2	10	A
2006	3	4	1	2	10	A
2011	3	4	3	3	13	A
2015	3	4	3	3	13	A
<b>33-e: Amphitheater</b>						
1993	--	--	--	--	--	--
2001	--	--	--	--	--	--
2006	--	--	--	--	--	--
2011	--	--	--	--	--	--
2015	4	5	4	5	18	A



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<b>Recreation Area Number</b>		36				
<b>Recreation Area Name</b>		El Dorado Beach and Campground				
33-f: Champions Plaza						
1993	--	--	--	--	--	--
2001	--	--	--	--	--	--
2006	--	--	--	--	--	--
2011	--	--	--	--	--	--
2015	3	4	4	4	15	A
<p>Notes:</p> <p>(2011) Redesign and rehabilitation of El Dorado Beach shoreline park produces substantial improvements in scenic conditions.</p> <p>(2015) Amphitheater and Champions Plaza are new additions in 2015; therefore, no ratings area available for earlier surveys. Amphitheater includes rock work terraces with seating and landscaping.</p>						