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## **CASEY BEYER APPOINTED TO TRPA GOVERNING BOARD**

**Lake Tahoe, CA/NV** – Casey Beyer, a California businessman with lifelong connections to Northern Nevada and the Lake Tahoe Basin, has been appointed to the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency Governing Board by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger.

Beyer replaces former California State Senator Tim Leslie who left the board in January.

“I am honored to be called upon to represent the Governor’s office and the people of California as a TRPA board member,” Beyer said. “I care deeply about Lake Tahoe and intend to work hard at becoming an effective advocate for this special place.”

Beyer is a native of Northern Nevada whose family owned property in Tahoe for two generations.

Today, Beyer is a consultant for independent energy companies who resides in Manhattan Beach. Over the past two decades he has held a series of positions in both the public and private sectors that combined with his family background uniquely qualify him for the TRPA appointment.

“Mr. Beyer’s impressive resume of public service and business experience combined with his acute understanding of Lake Tahoe issues will be a tremendous asset to the board and to Lake Tahoe,” said TRPA Governing Board Chair Allen Biaggi. “On behalf of myself and the rest of the board, I would like to congratulate and welcome him.”

Beyer’s mother, Betty Browne Beyer, was the northern Nevada director for U.S. Senator Howard Cannon in the 1960s and 1970s and was materially involved in developing the legislation that authorized creation of the TRPA.

Beyer was community development director for John Laing Homes, a privately held home builder, based in the firm’s Los Angeles and Ventura County division, from 2006-2008. He was the chief assistant to Secretary of State Bruce McPherson from 2005 to 2006, director of government relations for the Los Angeles County Children and Families

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Commission from 2002 to 2005 and director of government and industry relations for Exodus Communications from 2000 to 2001.

Beyer worked for U.S. Congressman Tom Campbell as chief of staff and California director from 1995 to 2000, district director from 1990 to 1992 and deputy district director from 1989 to 1990. He worked for California State Senator Tom Campbell, as the interim chief of staff and district administrator in 1995 and as district administrator from 1993 to 1994.

Beyer earned a Bachelor of Arts in Urban American History and Environmental Studies from the University of California at Santa Barbara and did graduate studies in Urban and Regional Planning at San Jose State University.

The Tahoe Regional Planning Agency was established in 1969 through a bi-state compact agreement between the states of California and Nevada that was then ratified by Congress and the U.S. President. The agency oversees land use and environmental protection in the 500-square-mile Lake Tahoe Basin and is overseen by a 15-member governing board. Beyer is one of two appointees of the California Governor.

TRPA cooperatively leads the effort to preserve, restore, and enhance the unique natural and human environment of the Lake Tahoe Region now and in the future. For additional information, call Dennis Oliver at (775) 589-5235 or email to [doliver@trpa.org](mailto:doliver@trpa.org).

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