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Dear Tahoe Keys Property Owners Association Board and Members:

As leaders of the Environmental Improvement Program (EIP), the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency (TRPA) and the League to Save Lake Tahoe (League) thank the Tahoe Keys Property Owners Association (TKPOA) for stepping up to find solutions to aquatic invasive weeds in the Tahoe Keys. The EIP is built upon a foundation of public-private partnerships, where critical restoration projects are completed through collaboration to meet the Region's shared environmental goals. The completion of the Tahoe Keys Control Methods Test (CMT) represents this public-private partnership model at work.

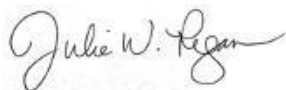
With the completion of the CMT, it is important to reflect on all that has been accomplished. The public and private investments made by the CMT supported a robust environmental analysis of the threats and treatment options for aquatic invasive species (AIS) in the Tahoe Keys, an extensive public engagement process, testing of innovative control methods, and third-party monitoring.

Building upon the results of the CMT is critical, TRPA continues to work at the federal level to bring awareness to the continued threat of AIS and seek funding to address this priority. Additionally, TRPA has committed funding to support a collaborative planning process that leverages CMT findings to develop long-term solutions.

Since 2013, the League has used its voice in the community to build the public's understanding of the challenge and provide funding to implement control methods including bubble curtains, boat backup station, and laminar flow aeration. In addition, the League is continuing to lead an initiative in the Tahoe Keys Marina using innovative robotic technologies to keep aquatic weeds from spreading into the lake proper. Many Keys homeowners have also participated in Eyes on the Lake, the League's invasive aquatic plant education and identification program.

Finding solutions to aquatic weeds in the Tahoe Keys remains a challenge, but this partnership proves that progress is possible. Everyone's continued investment is essential to achieving a sustainable, long-term strategy for controlling invasive species in Lake Tahoe. We are grateful for the previous investments made by Keys property owners and look forward to continuing this important work together.

Your committed partners,



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