

## **Controlled Methods Test (CMT) – Weekly Update: April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

*(This is your weekly update regarding the Controlled Methods Test (CMT) sent to you from the TKPOA Owner Communication Working Group (comprised of volunteer Homeowners). We are committed to providing our fellow TKPOA Homeowners with these weekly updates as the ultimate schedule for the CMT remains fluid and is significantly dependent on weather, environmental and other factors that are largely out of TKPOA's control.)*

**CMT Schedule Update – All Target Dates Remain the same from Last Week:** We can report that the target date for the start of herbicide application remains May 23<sup>rd</sup>, and the target date for the closure of the affected lagoons remains May 9<sup>th</sup>. Further, the last day for boat movement into or out of the restricted areas remains Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup>. The installation of the turbidity curtains and boat barriers remains scheduled for May 2<sup>nd</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> for Lake Tallac and May 9<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> for the two west lagoon test areas.

**Environmental Factors:** Weather conditions continue to be a major focus of the CMT project management team. Regarding the major categories of snowpack, lake levels and water temperatures, we continue to regularly monitor all of these factors.

1. The lake level is currently at 6,224.28', which is low, however it is enough water to conduct the test.
2. It is projected that water temperature will be sufficient for an adequate period of time to stimulate the necessary plant growth.
3. Current projections based on existing snowpack, historical run-off records and the weather outlook suggest that water should be flowing into the lagoons through May 2022. The current snowpack data suggests that we have a greater than 90% chance of "inflow" into the Keys from Lake Tahoe at the beginning of the May 23, 2022 test window.

**Request for Relocation of Site #14 – Update:** Regarding the status of our request to relocate test site #14, we still do not have a formal response from Lahontan and most likely will not until mid-May. We continue to work closely with Lahontan and recognize that approximately 150 TKPOA Homeowners are directly affected by this request and have a strong interest in its outcome. Here is the simple explanation: Because our request for modification requires an open public comment, Lahontan is not able to formally rule on our request until May 9<sup>th</sup> at the earliest. That said, we do remain confident that our request will be approved and the CMT implementation is proceeding on the assumption that it will be. We have had numerous discussions with the Lahontan staff and, though we do not as of yet have formal approval, the request has been clearly defined in APAP Amendment #1 and has been fully justified in APAP Amendment #2. To conclude, we are proceeding with the project on the assumption that this request will be approved. To the TKPOA Homeowners directly affected by the outcome of this request: We encourage you to continue to follow this matter closely and be sure to "plan accordingly" in the unlikely event we do not get the outcome we are hoping for and have to reverse course. We will notify everyone as soon as we learn more.

For additional information and updates, please refer to the TKPOA Water Quality website at [www.keysweedsmanagement.org](http://www.keysweedsmanagement.org) or follow us on Instagram at @tahoekeyspoa\_wq. You can also contact the TKPOA Association Office, at 530-542-6444, Monday – Friday from 8:30AM – 4:30PM, Saturday and Sunday from 10:00AM – 2:00PM.

If you are interested in sharing dock space for TKPOA boats, please contact the TKPOA Water Quality Department directly, please call 530-542-6444, ext. 275 Monday – Friday from 8:30AM – 4:30PM or by email at [waterquality@tahoekeyspoa.org](mailto:waterquality@tahoekeyspoa.org).