

TAHOE SCIENCE ADVISORY COUNCIL

NOTES | NOVEMBER 2024 COUNCIL MEETING

Date: Thursday November 7, 2024

Time: [Meeting](#) from 3:15-5:00PM

[Social Event](#) from 5:10-7:00PM

Location: In person at the North American Lake Management Society Conference

Goals for this meeting

- Review 2023-2024 successes and accomplishments
- Revisit the focus, purpose and need for the Council and the roles and responsibilities of Council Members
- Begin to develop an efficient process for identifying priority questions for science delivery at Tahoe

Council Members: Sudeep Chandra (UNR), Adrian Harpold (UNR), Monica Arienzo (DRI), Tamara Wall (DRI), Alex Forrest (UCD), Steve Sadro (UCD), Max Moritz (UCSB/DANR), John Melack (UCSB), Pat Manley (PSW), Natalie Vandoorn (PSW), Ramon Naranjo (USGS), Joe Domagalski (USGS), Jason Kuchnicki (NDEP), Ashley Conrad-Saydah (CNRA)

Robert Larsen (CNRA), Alison Toy (UCD), Caelan McGee (Facilitator)

1. Welcome and Agenda Review
2. 2024 Council Accomplishments
 - a. Overview (Chairs and Program Officer)
 - b. Progress:
 - i. Water Quality Work Group Activities
 - ii. Microplastics Memorandum
 - iii. Integrated Science to Action
 - c. Status:
 - i. Forest, Fire, and Biodiversity – Where are we, why or why not?
 - d. Group Discussion (Round Robin):
 - i. What do you consider the Council's successes in 2024?
 - ii. What did it take to achieve these accomplishments?
3. The Need for and Focus of the Tahoe Science Advisory Council
 - a. Review points of agreement from preparatory calls (Facilitator)
 - i. Advance operational improvements
 - ii. Revisit mission, clarify roles and responsibilities

- iii. Engage executives (first clarify why we are engaging)
- iv. Build on S2A Plan to identify priority research questions
- v. Engage managers to find overlapping priorities
- b. Discussion: How can the Council have the greatest impact?
 - i. Opening statements (Council Chairs)
 - ii. Discussion: Which Council activities or products most effectively advance research and science delivery? (Open Discussion)
- c. Leadership in Science Delivery: How can the Council better fulfill its mission?
 - i. Discussion: How can the Council identify a reasonable number of research or synthesis questions that the Science Council should champion? (Open discussion)
 - 1. Use the S2A Plan as a starting point
 - 2. Who should be a part of identifying priority research questions?
 - ii. Discussion: As a Council member what can you do, and what do you need to fulfill the mission? (Open Discussion)
 - iii. Discussion: How should the Council engage managers and executives to discuss research priorities? (Open Discussion)

4. Adjourn