

California Park & Recreation Society, District 2
Recreation, Parks and Leisure

2018 Hall of Honor

Regional Treasure Category

TAHOE RIM TRAIL

In recognition of the practice and inspiration of stewardship and providing access to the natural beauty of the Lake Tahoe region.



In the late 1970s, in response to a growing need for additional recreational access in the Lake Tahoe basin, the idea of a trail circling the ridgeline around the lake was conceived. In 1981 the Tahoe Rim Trail Association was formed to make this vision a reality. Over the next two decades a world-class 165-mile loop trail was constructed by engaging the community and thousands of volunteers who provided hundreds of thousands of hours of labor to assist in the Trail's construction.

Today the Tahoe Rim Trail System includes over 180 miles. It shares 50 miles on the west side with the Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail (PCT), and is also collocated in areas with the Pony Express Trail, American Discovery Trail, California National Historic Trail and Western States Trail.

The Tahoe Rim Trail Association serves as the primary steward of the trail, in partnership with the US Forest Service and Nevada State Parks. The organization works to maintain and enhance the trail, practice and inspire stewardship, and preserve access to the natural beauty of the Lake Tahoe region so that everyone can experience Tahoe's iconic landscapes, charismatic fauna and captivating flora today and in the future.

