



Euer Valley Use – Member Input Meeting November 20, 2011

On a snowy morning, 39 members braved less-than-ideal road conditions to attend this town hall meeting. Tahoe Donner's Director of Facilities and Risk Management Annie Rosenfeld reviewed:

- the purpose of the meeting
- historical uses of the Euer Valley
- the intent of the land purchase (conservation, recreation and fire management)
- member priorities - from surveys and the 2030 General Plan
- details of the Euer Valley purchase
- land use / zoning designation of the property
- map of the property and neighbors

A movie showing the property and describing its traditional uses was played. Member input and points of discussion included:

- What property the Euer family will continue to own and allowed uses for that property
- Other access points to the Euer Valley besides Alder Creek Road
- Potential historic claims of access to the property from the 1800's.
- The Euer Valley has great beginner cross country skiing terrain, but once you're down there it can be hard to get out. Consider constructing a ski tow.
- Please don't allow motorized vehicles such as dirt bikes, ATVs and snowmobiles.
- What are our requirements for the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)?
- Keep it green. Offer a 6-8 person electric golf cart shuttle in the summer months.
- What is the best location for the Equestrian Center?
- Don't allow public horse camps. They damage the property, particularly the stream banks.
- Consider allowing continued Sheriff's Department search and rescue training. This is only one of two locations of this kind in the west.
- Keep Tahoe Donner's herd away from any other horses that may be allowed in the valley, to avoid transmission of diseases.
- When determining equestrian or any other kind of access to the valley, please consider the traffic impacts on homeowners on Alder Creek Road.
- If equestrian access is allowed, follow best practices for things like manure management.
- Consider how different uses (horses, hikers, bikers, etc.) interact with each other.
- Enhance the cookhouse and outhouse facilities.
- Add cabins in the valley for a unique camping experience.
- Don't "dumb down" access to the valley. Making it too easy would eliminate the reward one receives by meeting the challenge.
- Put some benches in key locations in the valley, so hikers can rest.



