



TAHOE-TRUCKEE SNAPSHOT DAY

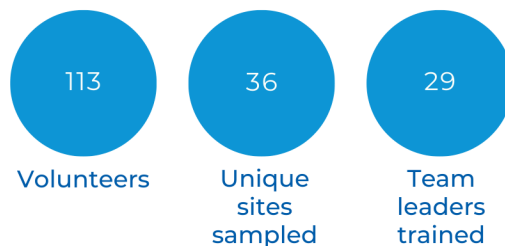
Snapshot Day is an annual event each May where volunteers collect and test water quality samples from streams and lakes in the Tahoe-Truckee watershed – from Meyers to Truckee and down to Reno, ending at Pyramid Lake – to take a “snapshot” of the region’s hydrologic health at a moment in time. Each year, the League and agency partners train community members to become citizen scientists. Together, we have built a robust, 23-year water quality dataset, which is available at keeptahoeblue.org/ssd.

Citizen scientists who participated in the 2023 Snapshot Day following the historic winter in 2022/2023 were in for a treat.

“Sampling after a record-breaking, high-water year was so incredible,” noted a group of volunteer participants. “We could easily see the physical and chemical differences of our sites from previous years. One of our sites was a meadow and despite steep undercutting in the creek, it was a healthy floodplain working exactly as meadows should! Plus, we got to see so much wildlife enjoying this healthy water system.”



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Boost participation through outreach to youth, schools, and underserved community groups.

Build upon the 23-year dataset by sampling at all high priority sites.

Streamline the sampling process for citizen scientists.

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