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Help Your Community Be Hazard-Ready



Nevada County is partnering with local cities and districts to develop an update to their 2011 Local Hazard Mitigation Plan. Floods, drought, wildfires, earthquakes, and severe weather are just a few of the hazards of concern to Nevada County. While natural hazards such as these cannot be prevented, a Hazard Mitigation Plan forms the foundation for a community's long-

term strategy to reduce disaster losses by breaking the repeated cycle of disaster damage and reconstruction. Additionally, only communities with a FEMA-approved Hazard Mitigation Plan are eligible to apply for both pre- and post-disaster mitigation grant funding.

Nationwide, taxpayers pay billions of dollars annually helping communities, organizations, businesses, and individuals recover from disaster. Some disasters are predictable and, in many cases, much of the damage can be reduced or even eliminated through hazard mitigation planning.

The people most aware of potential hazards are the people that live and work in the affected community. In addition to plan participation by local, state and federal agencies, the community is seeking enthusiastic, community-minded residents to be part of our Local Hazard Mitigation Planning project. We encourage attendance and participation from the general public at our upcoming public meeting to kick off the project:

February 15, 2017
 Public Meeting: 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
 Location: Grass Valley Veterans Memorial Building
 255 South Auburn St.
 Grass Valley, CA. 95945

For additional information, please contact John Gulserian at (530) 265-1515 or email at John.Gulserian@co.nevada.ca.us.

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Tentative Resolution for Nevada County LAMP

The following serves as notice for interested parties of a Public Comment Period, ending close of business on February 27, 2017, on a Local Agency Management Program (LAMP) for the Nevada County Environmental Health Department (NCEHD). Pursuant to the State Water Resources Control Board's Water Quality Control Plan for Siting, Design, Operation, and Maintenance of Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems (OWTS Policy), the NCEHD has submitted a LAMP for Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) staff's review. OWTS Policy information [may be found here](#).

On April 6th and 7th, 2017, the Central Valley Water Board will consider a resolution to approve the LAMP. Visit the [California Environmental Protection Agency website](#) for more information. The [California Water Boards Public Hearing notice](#), [Nevada County Resolution 17-061](#) and the [Tentative Resolution R5-2017](#) documents can be found here.

Send written comments to Eric Rapport, Central Valley Water Board lead for OWTS Policy implementation, at erapport@waterboards.ca.gov or contact him by telephone at (530) 224-4998.

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Gold Country Stage Free Fare Day on Tuesday February 14th



County of Nevada Transit Services has received a Low Carbon Transit Operations Program air quality grant that provides public transit funding assistance for projects that help reduce greenhouse gas emissions and improve mobility.

Gold Country Stage will provide "FREE FARES" on ALL ROUTES and will be operating their normal schedules and times on Tuesday, February 14, 2017 from 5:50 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. with free fares for all.

Free Fare Valentine's Day is "Gold Country Stage Rider Appreciation Day" and we thank all bus riders and bus rider wannabe's! Hop on board and ride on!

Bus schedules are available in the Gold Country Stage Rider's Guide, at www.goldcountrystage.com or call the office (530) 477-0103 x 0 for travel planning information.

Gold Country Stage Information: (530) 477-0103 x 0 or [on the website](#).

Funded through the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP).

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Vacancy on Library's Citizens' Oversight Committee

The Citizens' Oversight Committee (COC) of the Nevada County Community Library has a vacancy for a committee member. The COC ensures that the Nevada County Library receives all library tax monies collected by the Board of Equalization and that those funds are spent equitably and in accordance with the Library's budget and strategic plan. With the recent passage of library sales tax Measure A, the COC will have an important role to play in advising on the development of the Library's strategic plan and budget.

The COC meets four to six times a year in Nevada City. Applications are currently being accepted by the Nevada County Board of Supervisors, as this is a Board-appointed committee.

For more information and an application, follow the "[Related Link](#)" on the [Library's website](#) or call Laura Pappani, County Librarian, at (530) 265-7078.

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Upcoming Library Programs



There are several special programs at the Library next week.

On Monday, February 6th, the Family Movie Afternoon film will be *Honey, I Shrunk the Kids*, shown from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Madelyn Helling Library.

The Picture Book Art Club meets on Tuesday, February 7th, from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Madelyn Helling Library. Participants will read the picture book *The Last Stop on Market Street* and make art inspired by the illustrations.

On Friday, February 10th, come to the Grass Valley Library from 10:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. for Storytime en Espanol, a fun time with stories, songs, fingerplays, and rhymes in English and Spanish.

For more information, contact the children's room at Madelyn Helling Library (530) 265-1538 or Grass Valley (530) 470-2693.

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