

# **Royal Gorge**

## **Public Input Report**

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# Royal Gorge LLC: Stakeholders Working List\*

## **Surrounding property owners, nearby business owners**

The Cedars  
Donner Summit Area Association  
Palisades  
Serene Lakes Property Owners Association (SLPOA)  
Sugar Bowl Homeowners

## **Resorts, ski areas**

Boreal  
Donner Ski Ranch  
Soda Springs  
Sugar Bowl

## **Environmental organizations**

Mountain Area Preservation Foundation  
Sierra Club  
Sierra Club Clair Tapaan Lodge  
Sierra Watch  
South Yuba River Citizens League  
Truckee Donner Land Trust

## **Local, state, federal government; agencies; quasi-governmental; service providers**

Assemblyman Tim Leslie  
Association of California Water Agencies  
CA Public Utilities Commission  
Congressman John Doolittle  
Department of Transportation (Caltrans)  
Donner Summit Fire Department (Truckee Fire Protection District)  
Donner Summit Public Utility District  
Lake Tahoe Regional Fire Chiefs Assoc. Placer County  
Placer County Dept. of Transportation  
Placer County Dept. of Public Works  
Placer Local Agency Formation Commission  
Nevada County Dept. of Transportation  
Pacific Gas & Electric  
Sierra Lakes County Water District  
State Department of Fish and Game  
State Fish and Game Commission

State Resources Agency  
State Senator Dave Cox  
Tahoe Area Regional Transit (TART), Tahoe Trolley  
Town of Truckee  
Truckee Tahoe Unified School District  
Union Pacific Railroad  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service  
U.S. Forest Service; Dept. of Forestry and Fire Protection

## **Non-government organizations**

Boy Scouts  
Builders Assoc. of Northern Nevada (BANN)  
Chamber of Commerce North Lake Tahoe  
Contractors Association of Truckee Tahoe (CATT)  
Girl Scouts  
North Lake Tahoe Resort Association (NLTRA)  
Sierra Business Council  
Sierra Nevada Conservancy  
Soroptimist International of Truckee Donner  
Tahoe Conservancy  
Truckee Donner Chamber of Commerce  
Truckee Host Lions Club  
Truckee Rotary Club  
Truckee Sunrise Rotary Club  
Truckee Tahoe Community Foundation  
Tuesday Breakfast Club  
Workforce Housing Association of Truckee Tahoe (WHATT)

## **Cultural, historical organizations**

Emigrant Trail Museum  
Lincoln Highway Association, CA Chapter  
North Lake Tahoe Historical Society  
Truckee Donner Historical Society  
Washoe Tribe

*\*Groups only; does not contain names of private individuals*

## Website Comment Form:

### Contact Royal Gorge's New Owners

We want to know your questions about the future of Royal Gorge, and we are open to hear your comments, input and suggestions. Please don't hesitate to send us an e-mail by using the form below. We are excited to have the community involved in our process.

<b>**First Name</b>	<input type="text"/>
<b>**Last Name</b>	<input type="text"/>
<b>**Phone Number</b>	<input type="text"/>
<b>FAX Number</b>	<input type="text"/>
<b>**Address</b>	<input type="text"/>
<b>**City</b>	<input type="text"/>
<b>**State</b>	<input type="text"/>
<b>**Zip</b>	<input type="text"/>
<b>**E-mail Address</b>	<input type="text"/>
<b>YOUR COMMENTS</b>	<input type="text"/>

PLEASE RESPOND TO MY QUESTIONS BY:  E-mail  Fax  Phone  Mail

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

I own a home/property near Royal Gorge YES:  NO:

I own a home/property at Serene Lakes YES:  NO:

I own a home/property at Sugar Bowl YES:  NO:

I am a full-time resident of the North Lake Tahoe area YES:  NO:

Yes! I would like to receive emails with more information about the ROYAL GORGE FUTURE

\*\* NOTE these fields are required so that we can respond to your comments and/or questions. Thank you.

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## ***A Message from Royal Gorge's New Owners***

# Let's Work Together on Public Access\*

*By Todd Foster and Kirk Syme*

We are Todd Foster and Kirk Syme and we are the new owners of Royal Gorge. We have purchased the Royal Gorge Cross Country Ski Resort, 3,000 acres of land, Rainbow Lodge and Ice Lakes Lodge.

In the past few months, we have been talking to a number of people who live in the Donner Summit area. We were able to meet many Serene Lakes owners at the Serene Lakes Property Owners Association board meeting in January.

We appreciate how forthcoming people have been in taking the time to talk with us and share your concerns. It has been an educational process for us and we would like to keep the dialogue going.

### **Access to public land**

While folks have shared their concerns on numerous and diverse topics, there has been one issue that seems to rank at the top of most everyone's list – public access. When we say public access, we mean the ability to go out your door and conveniently gain access to public land for recreational activities, such as hiking or mountain biking.

Many people have described barriers that are preventing or making it difficult to gain access. We want to address the problem of public access, but to do so, we need your help.

### **Solving existing problems, preventing new ones**

It seems to us that there are two broad categories when it comes to public access: First, the need to address existing access problems. Second, the need to gain a solid understanding of local residents' needs and desires so that any future land uses do not impinge upon public access and perhaps can even enhance it.

### **Volunteer for ad hoc committee on public access**

To work on these two issues – solving existing public access problems, and preventing future ones – we would like to work with Serene Lakes residents by setting up **an ad hoc committee on public access**. It would be our intention to have a couple of managers from Royal Gorge resort on this

committee. The objectives of the committee would be as follows:

1. Identify existing barriers that prevent access or make it difficult to access public lands.
2. Identify actions that Royal Gorge can undertake to improve public access.
3. Identify recreational preferences and patterns of use that should be preserved and respected in the future.

Would Serene Lakes owners who are interested in participating in this ad hoc committee please contact us via the new website we've set up. We will extend this invitation to the Donner Summit Area Association as well. The new website address is:

[www.royalgorgefuture.com](http://www.royalgorgefuture.com) Go to the comment section and submit a comment letting us know you would like to participate in the committee. Also, if you know other Donner Summit area residents who are avid outdoors people and should be part of this committee, please provide their names and contact information to us.

**Sign up for updates: [www.royalgorgefuture.com](http://www.royalgorgefuture.com).**

If you have other issues on your mind and want to share your thoughts with us, please go to [www.royalgorgefuture.com](http://www.royalgorgefuture.com) and submit your comments. We want to hear from you.

We have been asked, what's next? Right now we are talking with as many people as possible and gaining a solid understanding of people's concerns when it comes to land use issues as well as operation of the resort and the lodges. We are also working with consultants and continuing to study a number of concepts and ideas for the land we own. And finally, we are building a list of people who want to be kept informed about any plans that we develop. If you want to be on that list, please go to the [royalgorgefuture.com](http://royalgorgefuture.com) website and submit your contact information so that you will receive any progress reports.

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