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Upcoming Events

A request for proposals has been released for the Biomass Project. To learn more about this, click on this link: [Biomass Request for Proposals](#)

Release Date: March 9, 2011

Proposal Deadline: April 8, 2011

Recent Events

[January 2011-Water Outlook for the Lake Almanor Watershed \(Chester Memorial Hall\)](#)

The Almanor Basin Watershed Advisory Committee (ABWAC) is sponsoring a public presentation about potential water supply changes facing local watersheds. John Andrew of the California Department of Water Resources will present on the changing hydrology in the Sierra Nevada region, and discuss the implications for Lake Almanor and the surrounding area.

People are invited to attend to learn more about important issues for the future of our waterways and ask questions. Prior to the featured presentation, ABWAC will review its recent activities and Dr. Gina Johnston of Chico State University will give an update on the current state of water quality monitoring in Lake Almanor with the latest data.

[November 2010-Gregory the Grebe Visits Taylorsville](#)



Gregory the Grebe

It's not very often that Sierra Institute gets the opportunity to come to the rescue of local wildlife, but when Olivia and Avery, two local Taylorsville girls, found a Grebe in the middle of Main Street in Taylorsville, the first people they came to was Sierra Institute.

Jonathan Kusel, Executive Director and Emily Creely, Almanor Watershed Coordinator, were on-hand when the girls came over with who is now called, *Gregory the Grebe*. Emily quickly contacted Ryan Burnett from the Point Reyes Bird Observatory, and one of our local tour guides for the

Habitat for Birds & Humanity tours, to ask his advice on what should be done with Gregory.

From the description provided to him by Jonathan & Emily, Ryan was able to determine that Gregory was probably a Horned Grebe. It was Ryan who informed them that sometimes Grebes, who do not walk, will