



January 30, 2017

Dear Community Partner,

You are receiving this letter because Churchill County records indicate you live in or are responsible for a property that borders the Carson River in our community.

This winter we are experiencing a bounty of water and snow in the Sierra's and in the valley. Snow-pack levels are abnormally high and the anticipated weather pattern continues to indicate a probability of this wet winter continuing. Already we have seen the Lahontan Reservoir level rise to past the half-full point and expect that current snow-pack will more than fill the reservoir when it melts.

In anticipation of the possibility of having to do precautionary releases from the reservoir into the river channel, I am asking that you do the following:

- 1) Check the riverbed and river banks in your neighborhood for debris, cross-fences, structures, fallen trees, beaver dams or other obstructions.
- 2) If you are able to remedy the obstruction, we ask that you do so.
- 3) If not, please contact the Sheriff's Office (775-423-3116) and/or TCID (775-423-2141) to report the problem so we can work on a remedy.
- 4) Removed cross fences from the river channel.
- 5) If your property is close to the river and is or was protected by a berm, consider rebuilding that berm.

This letter is intended to be advisory in nature. Between TCID, the County and other community entities, we believe we have a solid plan for mitigating known high-water situations. We were successful under relatively similar circumstances in 2011 but we need your help.

I have activated a high-water information phone line (775-423-4102) which I will update regularly about the current water levels and upstream conditions beginning in February 2017.

Thank you for your assistance in keeping our community safe.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Benjamin Trotter".

Ben Trotter