



Joint County-Cities-Town Press Release

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Nevada County, Town of Truckee, and Cities of Grass Valley and Nevada City Collaborate for Regional Housing Discussion at Miners Foundry

Nevada City, Calif. — A special joint meeting of the County of Nevada Board of Supervisors, Town of Truckee Town Council, City of Nevada City City Council, and City of Grass Valley City Council will be held on Thurs., Oct. 30, 2025, from 1-5 p.m. at the Miners Foundry in Nevada City to address the region's pressing housing challenges and prepare for upcoming state housing mandates.

The meeting will feature presentations from California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) officials, including Senior Housing Policy Specialist Lisa Frank and Taylor Price, who will provide crucial guidance on state housing law implementation and preview the 7th cycle Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) requirements that will shape local housing policy for years to come.

The meeting will feature several topics, including:

- State Housing Law Compliance: Understanding new requirements and implementation strategies
- RHNA 7th Cycle Preparation: Analyzing projected housing targets and planning for compliance
- Infrastructure Challenges: Addressing constraints including water, sewer, wildfire insurance, and construction costs
- Workforce Housing Solutions: Exploring public-private partnerships and successful models from other communities
- Innovative Approaches: Examining alternatives such as tiny homes, Geoships, SB10 opportunities, and adaptive reuse projects

Featured speakers include Tyler Barrington from Nevada County, who will lead discussions on housing element implementation challenges; Lynn Baumgartner from the Town of Truckee, presenting on workforce housing strategies; and Amy Kesler-Wolfson, showcasing local housing solutions currently in development.

The meeting acknowledges the particular challenges facing mountain communities, including wildfire risks, insurance availability, aging infrastructure, and the need to balance growth with environmental protection and community character.

Public participation is encouraged, with multiple ways to engage:

- In-person attendance at the Miners Foundry, 325 Spring St., Nevada City, or at the following additional locations: Town of Truckee, 10183 Truckee Airport Road, Truckee, CA, or City of Grass Valley, 125 E. Main St., Grass Valley, CA.
- Satellite viewing locations in Truckee and Grass Valley
- Live streaming on the City of Nevada City YouTube channel
- Cable access on channels 17/18 (Nevada County) and channel 6 (Truckee)

Written public comments can be submitted to publiccomment@nevadacityca.gov before 8 a.m. on Oct. 30, 2025, and there is dedicated public comment period during the beginning of the meeting and after the housing discussions toward the end of the meeting.

The Miners Foundry is ADA accessible and reasonable accommodations are available by contacting the City of Nevada City at (530) 265-2496 x104 at least three days prior to the meeting.

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