Meyers CCC center about to get $13 mil. overhaul

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MEYERS – The California Conservation Corps Lake Tahoe Residential Center is moving forward with its estimated $13 million facility improvements.

Construction includes renovation of the minimalist 84-corps member residential areas, new dining hall, gymnasium, and classrooms for corps member use.

The CCC in Meyers will begin renovations this summer. Photo/Austin Fay

Bids for the project open May 26.

State estimates for construction and renovation of the 42,719-square-foot Lake Tahoe Residential Center is set at $13 million. That's approximately $304 per square foot.

The CCC project has been a long time in the making; state bonds that were released for use nine years ago are funding renovations.

It will likely take two building seasons to finish the project.

From 1989 to 1997 Tahoe CCC was headquartered in the Meyers location, and has since relocated twice. Once was to Echo Summit and then back to the Meyers building. The latest relocation to Meyers was five years ago, which meant expelling two local businesses and relieving the economic burden of a then-struggling senior living facility.

The agency also must believe it is a private entity by the way it conducts itself. Apparently the officials in Meyers and Sacramento who did not return multiple phone calls have forgotten it is taxpayer money that pays their salaries, keeps the organization running and will foot the construction costs.

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