

Cyclists return to Tahoe to train for Tour of California

Even though the Amgen Tour of California is not returning to Lake Tahoe this year, some of the cyclists are.

Liquigas-Cannondale, a professional Italian racing team in the UCI ProTour, will train in North Lake Tahoe May 5-11 for the Tour of California, which is May 13-20.

“Many cyclists got a taste of Lake Tahoe last May while training for the 2011 Amgen Tour of California,” Andy Chapman of the North Lake Tahoe Chamber/CVB/Resort Association said in a statement. “These professionals had the opportunity to experience the beauty of the area firsthand and its challenging, high-altitude terrain. Although last year’s Tahoe stages of the Amgen Tour of California were canceled due to an untimely snowstorm, riders have been eager to get back and hit our scenic steeps.”

Liquigas-Cannondale will be difficult to miss because they’ll be outfitted in their team jerseys and accompanied by support vehicles as they make their way around Lake Tahoe.