

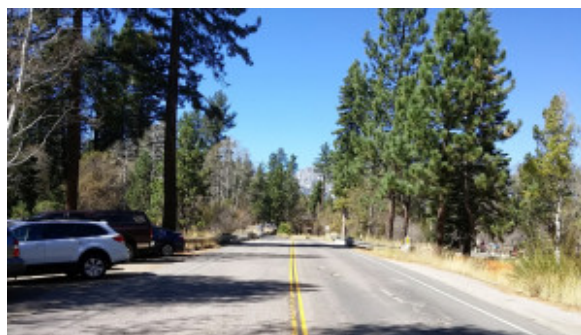
Then and now: Extreme weather in Tahoe

Weather in Tahoe is always a topic of conversation. It doesn't matter if it's a drought or mega-storm, it affects the way of life in the basin.



The Highway 89 bridge and Taylor Creek as viewed this month from the adjacent bicycle-pedestrian crossing.
Photo/Bill Kingman

The infrastructure is not built to sustain every possible scenario – like a Godzilla El Nino – which some have forecast for this winter.



Approaching the bridge from Camp Richardson on dry, fall day. Photo/Bill Kingman

While Highway 89 at times around Emerald Bay closes because of avalanche danger, rain has also been an issue on this road near Camp Richardson.



Approaching the bridge from Camp Richardson in October 1964. Water from heavy rain and Taylor Creek washed over the bridge. Three saw-horses block the road. Photo/Bill Kingman

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