Squaw-Alpine no longer selling bottled water

Bottled water will no longer be available at Squaw Valley or Alpine Meadows ski resorts.

Guests may buy reusable water bottles at the resorts an then use one of the new 20 water refill stations.

“This initiative aims to inspire guests to rethink their daily habits by choosing reusable products over single-use items, while reducing the total amount of plastic waste generated by the resort each year. No other domestic ski resort has undertaken an initiative of this kind, but the hope is that other ski resorts will follow suit to propagate the message to winter enthusiasts to take care the environment and mountains they enjoy for recreation,” the resorts said in a statement.

The resorts estimate the initiative will keep 28,000 bottles from going into the trash each year.

The tap water at Squaw Valley Alpine Meadows is supplied by three sources. Squaw Valley Public Service District supplies the water at the base of Squaw Valley, and was recognized as the Best Tasting Water in California at the 2015 California Rural Water Association Expo. Alpine Springs County Water District supplies the water at Alpine Meadows and Elevation 8200’ Water Company, operated by Squaw Valley, serves the Squaw Valley upper mountain facilities, and was recognized as the Best Tasting Water in California at the 2011 California Rural Water Association Expo.