The UC Davis Tahoe Environmental Research Center (TERC) is a world leader in research, education and public outreach on lakes, their surrounding watersheds and airsheds, and the human systems that both depend on them and impact them. TERC provides critical scientific information to help understand, restore and sustain the Lake Tahoe Basin and other lake systems worldwide. We partner closely with other institutions, organizations and agencies to deliver solutions that help protect Lake Tahoe and other lakes around the world.

TERC’s activities are based at permanent research facilities in the Tahoe Basin and at the University’s main campus in Davis, California, about 90 miles west of the lake.

Our main laboratories and offices are in Incline Village, Nevada, on the third floor of the Tahoe Center for Environmental Sciences building. On the first floor, we operate the Thomas J. Long Foundation Education Center, a learning resource that is free and open to the public.

In Tahoe City, Calif., we operate a field station (housed in a fully renovated, former state fish hatchery) and the Eriksson Education Center. Tahoe City is also the mooring site for our research vessels, the John LeConte and the Bob Richards.

Our secondary laboratories and offices are located on the UC Davis campus at the Center for Watershed Sciences and in Wickson Hall.

Our website (terc.ucdavis.edu) has more information about our programs, including:

• Information for potential students,
• Access to near-real-time data gathered by our growing network of sensors;
• A list of publications;
• Exhibits and events at the Education Centers; and
• Information about supporting our research and learning programs.