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A Second Restroom Facility Opens Along the Truckee River

(Reno, NV) – The region’s second “Portland Loo”, a new public restroom facility near the Truckee River, will open on March 16. A ceremony will take place at 11 a.m. at John Champion Park. The public is invited to attend.

This opening marks the second public restroom installed as part of an effort to increase public restrooms near the Truckee River. The first Portland Loo opened to the public in August 2020 at Brodhead Memorial Park and has been highly successful.

“With the two-year success of the first Portland Loo at Brodhead Park, we are happy to complete the installation of a second one at John Champion Park,” said Iris Jehle-Peppard, One Truckee River (OTR) Executive Director.

“This is a goal many have been working towards for a long time. It’s gratifying to see it come together in a way that will serve our community on several levels—particularly in the usability of our public spaces and protection of the environment in and around the Truckee River.”

OTR's efforts to increase public restrooms along the river is a collaborative, community effort intended to help protect water quality and improve the Truckee River corridor for recreational use. The long-term goal is to increase the number of public restrooms from 10 to 19 along the river to protect the well-being of the area. The project seeks to align efforts for urban renewal and increase connectivity for recreationalists along the river.

Project partners include One Truckee River, Truckee Meadows Water Authority, Truckee River Fund, Washoe County Parks and Open Space, Washoe County Health District, City of Reno, Nevada Division of Environmental Protection, and Renown Health. Generous engineering support was provided by Keller Associates for the design and permitting of this restroom.

A Portland Loo is a single-occupancy public toilet designed for durability, easy maintenance and minimizes use of the facility for unintended purposes. Portland Loos have had success in high-use urban areas.

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