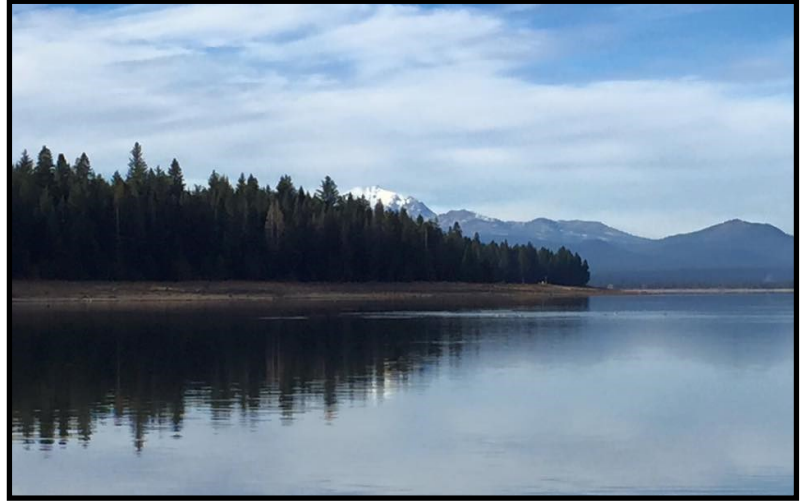


# BURNEY-HAT CREEK COMMUNITY FOREST & WATERSHED GROUP

## SOUTH LASSEN WATERSHEDS GROUP

Sierra Institute has a longstanding relationship with two collaborative groups just north of the office in Taylorsville. The Lake Almanor Watershed Group (LAWG) and the Burney-Hat Creek Community Forest & Watershed Group (BHCCFWG) have been advancing collaborative forest and watershed management in their respective areas for almost a decade collectively.



Lake Almanor and view of Lassen Peak



Collaborative members meet up at Lassen Volcanic National Park to tour and discuss a USFS proposed project

Within the last year, LAWG members and Sierra Institute discussed expanding the group's scope outside of the Lake Almanor basin to encompass a broader watershed or "fireshed" approach. Regional stakeholders have since embraced this idea, leading to the formation of the South Lassen Watersheds Group (SLWG), a new collaborative. SLWG is now comprised of nearly twenty unique stakeholder organizations. This diverse group unanimously supports moving forward with landscape-scale restoration and management efforts in the watersheds south of Lassen Peak, including the Upper Feather River, Upper Mill and Deer Creeks.



## COLLABORATION ACROSS WATERSHEDS

The Burney and Hat Creek watersheds are directly north of Lassen Peak. As you can see in the map below, Lassen Peak is a nexus between the BHCCFWG and SLWG collaborative focus areas. Many of the BHCCFWG's goals coincide with the SLWG, and both groups aim to improve landscape resilience, reduce fire risk, improve watershed function, and contribute to climate and community resilience. The formation of the SLWG is an exciting opportunity for regional stakeholders and Sierra Institute to expand collaborative processes throughout these two linked areas and approach a truly landscape-scale approach to forest and watershed management.

