

Though Alta Ski Area may have only gotten a "B" on the Ski Area Citizens Coalition's scorecard for 2011, it is positive through the 2011 Sustainability Report that true efforts were an A+. Here's a recap of your efforts as skiers, employees, and season pass holders for this season. Have a wonderful summer, see you next winter and thank you!

- The Alta Ski Area 2011 Sustainability Report was completed in January.
- Alta Ski Shop partnered with Snowsports Industries America to recycle over 500 lbs of old ski gear just this season alone.



Alta Earth Day – April 13, 2012 - Photo by: Bobbi Tolman

- Alta Environmental Center joined forces with Friends of Alta, ACE, Cottonwood Canyons Foundation and the Town of Alta to put on its 2nd Annual Alta Earth Day, April 13th.
- Green Team members completed inventories for the following: lighting controls potential upgrade, lift terminal and shack heating status, and Buckhorn Kitchen (employee food program) sustainable foods status.

Building Sustainability - by Elise Lammers





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Alta Ski Area is pleased to announce that a new building is to be constructed this summer of 2012 in the Wildcat Base area. The not-yet named building will be built congruent to the north side of Alta's current Lifthauf and Buckhorn building and will most importantly include a lift maintenance shop, as well as administration offices, storage, lost and found, a season pass office, skier services, public restrooms and updated communications and mechanical center. The most exciting part of this building is Alta will be pursuing Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certification, which is operated by the

U.S. Green Building Council. This level of architectural design means the building will be constructed with high efficiency utility performance (water, heating and electricity), local and sustainable materials, on an environmentally approved site, and with native landscaping. In addition, the current Lifthauf and Buckhorn building will see minor renovations to support the flow and efficiency of the new building. With construction beginning in mid May, the current Main Office and Administration office functions will be moved to Albion Ticket Office for the summer and fall. The building is scheduled to be completed mid to late October to be ready for 2012-2013 winter's season pass distribution. This will be Alta's first LEED certified construction effort and it is planned to be aesthetically and environmentally appealing similar to Watson Shelter and the Albion Day Lodge. Alta Ski Area additionally gives special thanks to Brendle <u>Group</u> – Alta's LEED liaison, <u>Okland Construction</u> and <u>VCBO Architecture</u> for the time and work they have spent with Alta on the integrated design process of the new building.

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Alta Summer Stewardship Events

Want to hang out in Alta in the summer? Come help take care of the environmental health of your favorite ski area out at any of the following events:

- Tue, Apr 24: ASA 75th Anniversary T-Shirt Design Contest. <u>www.alta.com</u>. Includes 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes.
- Tue, Jun 26 (tentative): Alta Clean-Up. FREE. Town of Alta. Time TBD.
- Sat, Jul 7: Alta Base Restoration. <u>Town of</u> <u>Alta</u>. Time TBD.
- Tue, Jul 10: Invasive Weed Removal. Friends of Alta. 1-4 pm.
- Thu, Jul 19: Invasive Weed Removal. <u>Cottonwood Canyons Foundation</u>. 5:30 pm.
- Sat, Jul 21: Alta Ski Area Clean-Up. <u>Alta Environmental Center</u>. 9 am 4 pm.
- Sat, Jul 28: Wildflower Festival. <u>ACE</u> and <u>Cottonwood Canyons Foundation</u>. Time TBD.
- Thu, Aug 9: Invasive Weed Removal. <u>Cottonwood Canyons Foundation</u>. 5:30 pm.
- Fri, Aug TBD: CCF Annual Fundraiser. Cottonwood Canyons Foundation. Exact Location & Time TBD.
- Wed, Aug 29: Alta Nursery. <u>Alta Environmental Center</u>. 9 am 4 pm.
- Thu, Sep 6: Invasive Weed Removal. <u>Friends of Alta</u>. 1 4 pm.
- Sat, Sep 8: Alta Ski Area Tree Seedling Planting. <u>Alta Environmental Center</u>. 9 am 4pm.
- Fri, Sep 14: Memorial Tree and Seedling Planting. Friends of Alta. 9 am 4 pm.

April – May Sustainability Events

Here are some fun, educational sustainability and stewardship events for adults and the whole family. To view all events available <u>visit our website</u>!

- Fri, Apr 20: Planting at Redwood Nature Area. <u>Tree Utah</u>. 3060 South Redwood Road, West Valley City. 3-5 pm.
- Sat, Apr 21: Electronic Waste Recycle. <u>Recycle Utah</u>. Gateway Grill, Kamas. 10 am 1 pm.
- Sun, Apr 22: Annual Recycle Utah Fundraiser. <u>Recycle Utah</u>. \$35. Squatters Roadhouse Grill, 1900 Park Ave, Park City. 5-8 pm.
- Thu, Apr 26: 4th Annual Milford High School Renewable Energy Fair. FREE. Milford. All Day.
- Fri, Apr 27: Arbor Day Planting. Tree Utah. Red Butte Gardens, 300 Wakara Way, Salt Lake City. Time TBD.
- Sat, May 5: Live Green SLC Fesitval. <u>Redirect Guide</u>. Salt Lake City Downtown Library Plaza. All Day.
- Tue, May 8: Project Wet Training. <u>USEE</u>. Location & Time TBD.
- Thu-Fri, May 10-11: 2012 Great Salt Lake Issues Forum. <u>Friends of Great Salt Lake</u>. University of Utah, Salt Lake City.

"Conservation is a state of harmony between men and land."

2011 Alta Ski Area Trash Clean-Up - Photo By Allaina Manson



