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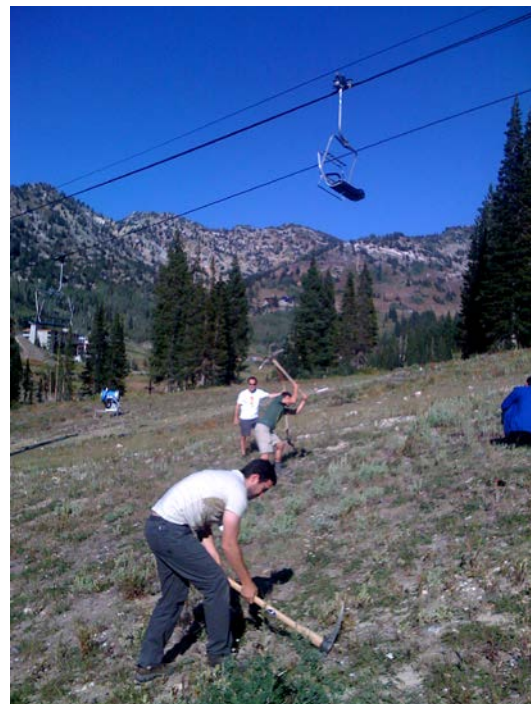
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## Alta Summer 2012 Conservation Management Summary

It was a big summer for Alta out on the mountain. Now that there is snow on the ground, here's a recap on the resource conservation management efforts by Alta Ski Area. With the help of two interns, Tyler Rowe and Leah Frick, and all our non-profit partners we accomplished the following:

- Planted 1,500 trees, 500 shrubs, 1,727 Forbs (flowering plants) – Totaling 3,727 native plantings
- Salvaged and transplanted an estimate of 10,000 native plants
- Completed 9 stewardship events accompanied by 1,655 hours of volunteer labor and time.
- Established a 500 plant native tree and shrub nursery
- Started a 6-year Tree Seedling Survival Study
- Mapped over ~1,000 acres for non-native plants and noxious weeds
- Pulled about 1,000 lbs of non-native plants and noxious weeds
- Placed 300 verbenone (anti-beetle) packets and mapped ~500 Limber Pine trees



## Top 10 Winter Tips For a Warm, Efficient & Sustainable Home Article by Environment Victoria

The cold and dark months of winter are the time when we spend more time indoors and turn up our heating. It's also when our energy bills and our green house gas emissions tend to soar. While we all need to keep warm, there are a number of ways we can make our homes more efficient so we can keep the warmth in, the cold out and use less energy to stay comfortable.

### Here are our top 10 tips for this winter -

1. Use heavy curtains to stop heat escaping from your windows.
2. Install insulation in your house (or top up old and thinning insulation).
3. Seal up gaps and cracks that let the cold air in.
4. Install pelmets on top of your windows.
5. Watch the temperature.
6. Close off any rooms that are not in use.
7. Let the sunshine in during the day.
8. Insulate hot water pipes.
9. If you can't heat the room, heat yourself.
10. Maintain your heaters.



For more information on this article go to <http://environmentvictoria.org.au/library/environment-victoria%E2%80%99s-top-10-winter-tips-warm-efficient-and-sustainable-home>.

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## October – November Sustainability Events

Here are some fun, educational sustainability and stewardship events for adults and the whole family. To view all events available [visit our website](#).

- **Tuesday, October 30: Last Day! Monster Used Book Sale** – SLC City Library. 9am – 9pm. More info at [www.slcppl.lib.ut.us/events/view/1603](http://www.slcppl.lib.ut.us/events/view/1603)
- **Wednesday, October 31: Halloween Hoot** – Tracy Aviary, SLC. For more information go to [www.tracyaviary.org](http://www.tracyaviary.org)
- **Wednesday, October 31: Haunted Rainforest** – The Living Planet Aquarium, Sandy. 3-6pm. More info at [www.thelivingplanet.com](http://www.thelivingplanet.com)
- **Thursday, November 1: Book Club** – Hogle Zoo, SLC. Grail Bird, by Tim Gallagher. Ages 14+. \$10. 7-9pm. More info at [www.hoglezoo.org](http://www.hoglezoo.org)
- **Saturday, November 3: Educator's Early Childhood Workshop** – USEE at the Ogden Nature Center. 8:30am – 12:30pm. More info at [www.usee.org](http://www.usee.org).
- **Saturday, November 3: The Dinosaur Musical** – Natural History Museum of Utah, SLC, 1 and 3pm. More info at <http://nhmu.utah.edu>
- **Monday, November 5: Little Naturalists Story Time** – Swaner EcoCenter, Park City. More info call 435-252-3576 or go to [www.swanerecocenter.org](http://www.swanerecocenter.org)
- **Wednesday, November 7: Winter Wednesdays** – Tracy Aviary, SLC. For more information go to [www.tracyaviary.org](http://www.tracyaviary.org)
- **Monday, November 12: Veterans Day** – Tracy Aviary, SLC. All veterans/military & family \$1 each. More info at [www.tracyaviary.org](http://www.tracyaviary.org)



***We do not inherit the earth from our ancestors, we borrow it from our children.***

~Native American Proverb