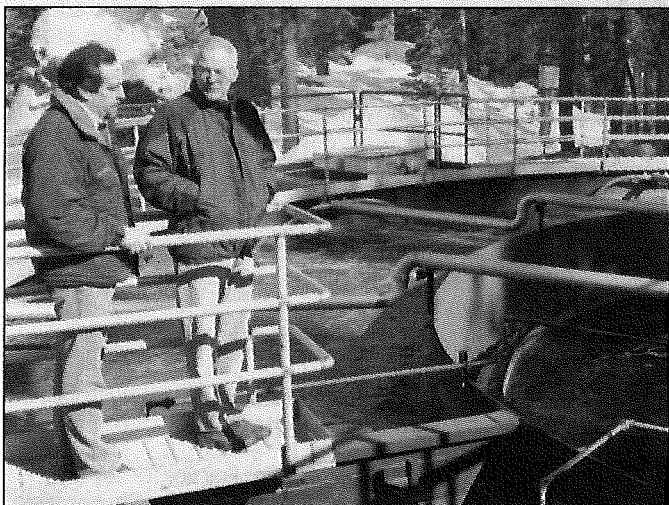


Donner Summit PUD garners awards



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Donner Summit PUD waste treatment Chief Plant Operator Jim King and Plant General Manager Tom Skjelstad inspect facilities.

The Donner Summit Public Utility District, which provides water and wastewater treatment to the communities of Soda Springs, Norden and wastewater treatment for Serene Lakes, received four awards at the California Water Environmental Association (CWEA), Sierra Section's annual awards dinner in February, held at the Silver Legacy in Reno.

The district picked up top honors for; Waste Treatment Plant of the Year (for less than 5 million gallons per day); Safety Award for 1-25 employees; Supervisor of the Year, Jim King; and Operator of the Year, Kirk Sullivan.

"The awards are the first in the history of DSPUD," said General Manager Tom

Skjelstad. "The district is particularly gratified that they were voted on by their peers. Men and women like those at DSPUD fully understand what it takes to provide essential services to the public, sometimes in less than desirable weather conditions."

CWEA is an association of 8,000-plus professionals in the California wastewater industry. They are committed to keeping California's water clean. They promote sound policies to benefit society through protection and enhancement of our water environment. The Sierra Section of CWEA is a chapter that includes agencies in Tahoe-Truckee and Mammoth Lakes.