



# Recreation Engineering and Planning

RENO WHITEWATER PARK--THE BIGGEST LITTLE WW PARK  
RENO, NV

The Reno Whitewater Park represents one of Recreation Engineering and Planning's most stunning restorations. Though located on the banks of the Truckee River, Reno has historically turned its back on the river in lieu of its indoor attractions. This changed recently with the completion of the \$4.5 million Reno Whitewater Park. Mayor Robert Cashell has called the Reno Whitewater Park the best capital investment project he has made in ten years of being mayor. What was once a deteriorating section of the city has been revitalized to become Reno's greatest natural attraction and has aided downtown renewal efforts: "A bumper crop of restaurants, shops, galleries, and a 12-screen movie theater now thrive along the river's banks" (The New York Times). In addition, the park represents over \$1 million in free advertising for the city. With the completion of the park, this once denuded and channelized section of the Truckee has been restored to its previous natural beauty. Enhancements include natural rock terracing, spectacular whitewater, shaded riverbank seating and beach access. Other features include an outdoor amphitheater, trail system, and large grassy festival area. The Reno Whitewater Park has played host to a major pro-rodeo, and to countless local tubers every day. Come visit this park early because there is standing room only in the hot afternoons!

- > Provided master planning services
- > Provided all in-stream design consulting services
- > Worked as part of the design team to integrate the park, gain permitting, and provide infrastructure
- > Provided construction and inspection services
- > Helped organize grand opening festival



COMPLETED:

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Whitewater Play park designed in the Truckee River to revitalize an older part of the City, restore a denuded riverbed, and increase tourism into Reno's downtown region



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