



PUBLIC USE OF LAKE JENNINGS – RULES AND REGULATIONS

POLICY

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AUTHORITY AND ENFORCEMENT

The California Water Code authorizes the District to govern the public use of its facilities. These rules and regulations are established pursuant to this code for the protection of District property and public safety. Violation of any rules or regulations will result in the expulsion of the violator from the premises. District Rangers and Staff have full authority to enforce all Lake Jennings Rules and Regulations.

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS

Sheriff, Fire or Paramedics 911	Campground	(619) 390-1623
Sheriff Non-Emergency (858) 565-5200	Bait Shop	(619) 443-2510

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

- (1) All visitors shall check in at the Bait Shop or Campground Kiosk and pay appropriate facility use fees upon entering the park.
- (2) Visitors shall not damage or deface any lake property.
- (3) Visitors must observe all posted signs.
- (4) No littering. All glass, waste paper, bottles, cans, and other trash shall be placed in the proper receptacles.
- (5) No firearms, other weapons, bows, arrows, fishing bows, or any spearing device. No hunting is allowed.
- (6) No vehicles off paved roads, except to access campground spaces and Sentry Point.
- (7) Visitors shall operate vehicles in a safe manner with regard to traffic and road conditions. They shall not operate vehicles at speeds in excess of the posted speed limit.
- (8) Visitors shall not harm, injure, or kill any wildlife or interfere with its habitat. Removal of plants or animals is prohibited.
- (9) Visitors must not feed any wildlife with the exception of providing bird seed in hanging bird feeders.
- (10) No reservoir wading, swimming, or body contact by persons or domestic animals.
- (11) Bicycles and non-motorized scooters are restricted to Bass Road, the flume trail, the campground loop trail and paved roads inside the campground only. Anyone under the age of 18 must wear a properly fitting helmet at all times.
- (12) The perimeter road from the campground eastward to Eagle Point is closed to motor vehicle traffic. Hikers and anglers are limited to Half Moon Cove and Sentry Point when the lake is closed to the general public.
- (13) No access to the lake and shoreline around the outlet tower as delineated by the buoy line and posted signs.
- (14) No domestic animals allowed except on Bass Road and in the campground. See section titled "Pets" for further details.
- (15) No fish cleaning on premises except by registered campers in designated fish cleaning stations.
- (16) Drone use must be approved and scheduled with the Lake Manager.
- (17) Alcoholic beverages must be used legally and responsibly.
- (18) Smoking inside the Campground Pavilion, Bait Shop, and all restrooms is strictly prohibited.
- (19) Possession or use of illegal drugs is prohibited. Using or possessing marijuana is prohibited at Lake Jennings.

LAKE OPERATIONS

OPERATING HOURS

Operating hours shall be established and posted at the entrance to Lake Jennings.

PICNIC AREAS

- (1) Personal barbeques and gas stoves are permitted only in areas with existing barbeques.
- (2) Coals must be fully extinguished with water and disposed of in trash receptacles.

DAY USE ACCESS

- (1) Day use access is allowed when the Lake is open to the public. Visitors age 16 years and older must purchase a day use permit at the Bait Shop or Campground Kiosk.

FISHING

- (1) Children under age 16 must be accompanied by an adult at all times.
- (2) A Lake Jennings fishing permit and a California state fishing license are required.
- (3) One day fishing permits are sold at the Bait Shop and the Campground Kiosk.
- (4) The District does not sell state fishing licenses.

- (5) Fishing permit holders who leave the premises and desire re-entry must do so no later than one hour prior to posted closing time.
- (6) When the Bait Shop is closed, fishing is permitted from the shore directly below the campground from 7:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Permits may be obtained from the Campground Kiosk. A California state fishing license is also required.

FISHING LIMITS

- (1) Refer to State of California fishing regulations for all fish limits.
- (2) Fishermen are responsible for knowing and obeying all State fishing laws.

BOATING

- (1) Boat rentals and private boat launches are sold at the Bait Shop. Persons desiring to make such a purchase must be age 16 or older and show valid identification.
- (2) All adult persons who are utilizing a rental boat must sign the liability release waiver. Any persons utilizing the rental boat under 18 years of age must have their parent or legal guardian sign the liability release waiver before boarding the rental boat.
- (3) Persons renting boats are responsible for any lost or damaged equipment.
- (4) Boats shall not exceed 10 mph at any time.
- (5) Boats shall observe the "No Wake Rule."
- (6) Abusive or irresponsible operation of any boat will not be tolerated.
- (7) Personal watercraft, inflatable rafts, sailboats, amphi-cars, and waders are prohibited.
- (8) Sit-inside kayaks that are at least 10 feet long, not self-bailing and have seats for all persons inside are allowed. No sit-on top or inflatable kayaks will be permitted.
- (9) Zodiac-type inflatables with a discernible bow, transom, and solid deck are allowed.
- (10) All boats must return to the boat dock prior to closing time.
- (11) Life jackets must be worn by all children under 13 years of age.
- (12) All U.S. Coast Guard regulations shall be complied with.

FISHING TOURNAMENTS

- (1) Fishing tournaments shall be scheduled with Lake Manager.
- (2) Tournaments are limited to a maximum of 25 boats.
- (3) Tournaments are limited to a maximum of one per month.
- (4) Tournaments are allowed only from September through May.
- (5) Night tournaments shall be held on Friday or Saturday nights and must end by midnight.
- (6) Day tournaments shall be held only on non-open days.
- (7) Tournaments shall be open to all groups.
- (8) A per boat fee will be charged to cover District costs associated with managing a tournament.
- (9) Tournament participants must abide by all lake rules and regulations and boats shall meet all U.S. Coast Guard safety regulations.
- (10) Tournament organizers are required to sign hold harmless and indemnification agreements as well as provide proof of liability insurance (\$1,000,000 per day) naming the District as an additional insured.
- (11) Consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited.

YOUTH FISHING PROGRAM

- (1) Any organized youth group, with a prior reservation, may fish for free.
- (2) Each youth must wear a nametag with organization name printed on the tag.
- (3) Members of the youth group who are 16 years of age and older, must possess a valid fishing license.
- (4) Accompanying adults must purchase a Lake Jennings fishing permit if they choose to fish.
- (5) Upon leaving the lake, the number of anglers and the number and type of fish caught shall be reported to Lake Staff.

CAMPGROUND OPERATIONS

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Helix Water District (the District) provides public access to Lake Jennings as a recreational facility for fishing and camping. Any such access is secondary to the reservoir's primary purpose as a domestic water supply. The Lake Jennings Campground is open year round. The campground, located on the north side of Lake Jennings, has spaces with full hookups, partial hookups, and no hookups. The campground can accommodate recreational vehicles and tents. Use of these recreational facilities is at the user's own risk. The District assumes no liability for injuries or property damage.

AUTHORITY AND ENFORCEMENT

The California Water Code authorizes the District to govern the public use of its facilities. These rules and regulations are established pursuant to this code for the protection of District property and public safety. Violation of any rules or regulations will result in expulsion of the violator from the premises. District Rangers and Staff have full authority to enforce all Lake Jennings Rules and Regulations. Campers who fail to comply with these Rules and Regulations and/or are delinquent in campground fees will be subject to a notice to vacate and applicable eviction procedures. Recreational vehicles may be removed from the premises for failure to pay for occupancy or failure to comply with rules and regulations. (Recreational Vehicle Park occupancy Law [Civil Code Sections 799.20 et seq.])

CAMP HOSTS

Camp Hosts can provide information and assist with minor problems. Camp Hosts are located in sites 1, 9, 17, 53, 56, 62, 67, 88.

CAMPING GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

- (1) All vehicles and camping units must have a current registration and proof of insurance. The person occupying the site must have a current state or federal issued identification.
- (2) Camping privileges will be denied if a camping unit is unsightly, in a state of disrepair, or has offensive or unsightly graphics or paint design. The District has sole discretion to determine whether any of these conditions exist.
- (3) Sleeping outdoors is prohibited.
- (4) Restrooms and showers are to be used by registered campers only.
- (5) No working on vehicles or camping units. Power tools may not be utilized by campers.
- (6) No washing vehicles or camping units.
- (7) Dump station use is reserved for use by registered campers only.
- (8) Pools of any kind are prohibited.
- (9) No gathering of items such as firewood from other sites after departures.
- (10) When the Bait Shop is closed, fishing is permitted from the shore directly below the campground from 7:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Permits may be obtained from the Campground Kiosk. A CA state fishing license is also required.
- (11) The access gate is open from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. During periods when the gate is closed, registered campers and their guests may access the campground by using the access code they are provided at check in.
- (12) Quiet hours are from 9:00 p.m. until 7:00 a.m. loud music, barking dogs, or any other disturbing noise is prohibited at all times.
- (13) Generators may be used on sites without electrical power from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Generators must have mufflers. Lake Staff has the discretion to limit the use of loud generators.

OPEN FIRES

- (1) No ground fires are allowed. Campfires must be in designated fire rings only.
- (2) Maximum fuel height is 12 inches.
- (3) During high fire danger, fires will be limited to small charcoal fires only.
- (4) All fires must be out by 11 p.m.
- (5) All fires must be attended at all times and fully extinguished when campfire is not attended.

PETS

- (1) Pets staying in the campground must be registered and a fee paid per night. A maximum of three pets are allowed.
- (2) Pets must be kept on a 6-foot maximum leash at all times.
- (3) All dogs must have a license and current rabies vaccination.
- (4) Campers must clean up after their pets immediately.
- (5) Pets showing signs of aggression will not be allowed and is at the discretion of staff.
- (6) Pets cannot be left unattended.
- (7) Pets are not permitted in Tipi sites.

WIRELESS INTERNET ACCESS

- (1) Password and log-on information may be obtained at the Campground Kiosk.
- (2) The District will not be held liable for any damages claimed to be related to accessing the wireless network.
- (3) The District provides no guarantee of connection security and users should provide their own protection.
- (4) There is no guarantee regarding signal strength or signal availability.

RESERVATIONS/OCCUPANCY - SHORT TERM STAYS

- (1) The maximum short term stay is 14 nights, within a 28-day period. Individuals must fully vacate all District campgrounds following the maximum 14-day stay, unless the individual(s) obtain a long term stay reservation.
- (2) Advance reservations require full payment. Fees must be paid by the individual occupying the campsite. Third party reservations are allowed for short term stays only if paying third party is occupying one of the reserved sites for the duration of the reservation.
- (3) Reservations are accepted for arrival dates up to one year in advance of a stay.
- (4) The minimum stay per reservation is one night Sunday through Thursday. Friday and Saturday nights must be booked together.
- (5) Holiday weekends (with a Monday holiday) require a Friday, Saturday, and Sunday night stay.
- (6) Reservation cancellations more than 14 days before the arrival date will be charged the reservation fee and cancellation fee.
- (7) Reservation cancellations made between 14 and 8 days prior to arrival date will forfeit the reservation fee, cancellation fee, and the first night's camping fee.
- (8) Reservation cancellations made 7 days or less prior to arrival date will forfeit all fees.
- (9) Reservations may be transferred to a different date within 60 days of original arrival with a minimum of 3 days' notice prior to the original arrival. A transfer fee will be charged. There are no refunds for transfers to a lesser site type or decreased stay length.
- (10) There are no refunds or transfers for reservations that are shortened after arrival.
- (11) Check in time is 1:00 p.m. Check out time is 12:00 p.m. Late check out may be allowed if authorized by staff and appropriate fees are paid.
- (12) Discounts are not applied to weekly rates.
- (13) Group Area reservations may not be transferred. The Group Area can accommodate up to 30 campers and 15 tents.
- (14) A maximum of 6 campers are allowed per night per site unless additional campers are authorized by staff and appropriate fees are paid.
- (15) Camping units and tents are allowed on the same site with the exception of tipi sites. No additional tents will be permitted on tipi sites.
- (16) Sites can accommodate one camping unit and one tent, or two tents unless additional tents are authorized by staff and appropriate fees are paid. Walk-back sites can only accommodate two tents, they cannot accommodate camping units.

- (17) One vehicle is included in each campsite reservation. The Group Area fees include up to five vehicles. Any additional vehicles require payment of appropriate fees.
- (18) Guests visiting campers are subject to a daily parking fee and must leave the campground by 11:00 p.m.
- (19) Long term stays are allowed, see long term stay rules and regulations

TIPI REGULATIONS

- (1) Pets are not permitted in tipi sites.
- (2) There is no smoking permitted inside tipis.
- (3) Registered camper will be held responsible for all damage to the tipi.
- (4) Maximum length of stay is 7 nights out of any 30 night period.
- (5) Do not move the flap opening poles. If they need to be adjusted, please ask an onsite staff member.
- (6) Fires must be contained inside the fire pit on tipi sites. Do not move fire pits from their set location. Fires and open flame candles are not permitted in the tipis.
- (7) No additional tents are permitted in the tipi sites.

RESERVATIONS/OCCUPANCY – LONG TERM STAYS

- (1) Long term stays are allowed from September 10 to March 10 and are subject to the long term stay fee structure. The maximum stay per long term reservation is six 30 night periods in a 12 month period, and no person may stay in the campground under any reservation for more than six 30 night periods in a 12 month period. Individuals must fully vacate all District campgrounds following the maximum six 30 night periods long term stay in a 12 month period.
- (2) Long term stays require a 30 night minimum and are only allowed in a full or partial hookup site. A select number of full and partial hookup sites are allowed for long term stays from March 10 to September 10. Advance reservations require full payment for the first month, process fee and any additional fees (e.g. extra pets, extra vehicles). Reservations for a subsequent month(s) require a \$100.00 deposit for each month and must be paid to hold the site. The balance owed is due in full on the due date. The due date is the first day of the subsequent 30-night period. If payment is not received within 72 hours of the due date, a notice to vacate will be issued.
- (3) Fees must be paid by the individual occupying the campsite. Third party reservations are not allowed for long term stays.
- (4) Fees must be paid with a credit card or debit card in the registered camper's name. Pre-paid cards, checks and cash will not be accepted for long term fees.
- (5) Reservations are accepted with arrival dates up to one year in advance of a stay.
- (6) Campsite cleanliness is required for aesthetic, sanitary and safety purposes. Campers must place trash in one of the trash receptacles located throughout the campground. All personal items are to be kept inside of ones camping unit. No clotheslines strung between campsites, trees, etc. Items that are prohibited outside the camping unit include but are not limited to: furniture, toys, storage containers, off-road vehicles, plants, refrigerators/ freezers, debris, televisions, tarps, trash, tools, excessive fire wood, etc. Items that are permitted include: barbeque, bikes, lawn chairs, shade canopy and camping related equipment. It is at the discretion of Lake Staff to determine whether or not a campsite is in compliance.
- (7) Exterior lights must be turned off after 9:00 p.m. Door entrance and door step lights are acceptable.
- (8) Visiting hours are from 7:30 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.
- (9) Laundry room hours will be posted on the door to the laundry room.
- (10) Reservation cancellations more than 14 days before the arrival date will be charged the reservation fee and cancellation fee.
- (11) Reservation cancellations made between 14 and 8 days prior to arrival date will forfeit the reservation fee, cancellation fee, and the first night daily rate camping fee.
- (12) Reservation cancellations made 7 days or less prior to arrival date will forfeit all fees.
- (13) Long term reservations cannot be transferred.
- (14) There are no refunds or transfers for early departure after a long term 30 day period or long term week has begun.
- (15) Check in time is 1:00 p.m. Check out time is 12:00 p.m.
- (16) Discounts are not applied to weekly or monthly rates.
- (17) A maximum of 4 campers are allowed per night per site unless additional campers are authorized and applicable fees paid.
- (18) Camping units must be an RV, 5th wheel trailer, motorhome or travel trailer, tents are not allowed.
- (19) Sites can accommodate one camping unit and two vehicles. Appropriate fees must be paid for the second vehicle. Boats, work trailers or other equipment are not allowed unless authorized by staff and appropriate fees are paid.
- (20) Guests visiting campers are subject to a daily parking fee and must leave the campground by 11:00 p.m.

LAKE JENNINGS FACILITY/VENUE RENTAL

Designated areas are available for rent for weddings, parties, special events, and commercial video filming. The Campground Kiosk.

- (1) Use of designated areas shall be in accordance with the General Rules and Regulations.
- (2) Daylight hours are from sunrise to sunset. Evening hours are from 5:00 p.m. to midnight.
- (3) The District provides only those accommodations specified in the rental agreement. Any additional required equipment/supplies are the responsibility of the renter.
- (4) Renters are responsible for all set up and clean up for their function. Requests to store equipment/supplies are subject to space availability and will be charged a per day rental fee.
- (5) Payment and cleaning deposits are due at the time of reservation. Deposits shall be forfeited if reservations are not cancelled within 72 hours prior to the event's scheduled start, except in cases due to rain.
- (6) Cleaning deposits will be returned to the renter within 72 hours after completion of the event, less any charges assessed due to excessive clean up or damages incurred.
- (7) Renters are required to sign hold harmless and indemnification agreements, as well as provide proof of liability insurance (minimum \$1,000,000 per day) naming the District as an additional insured.