



## **PUBLIC USE OF LAKE JENNINGS – RULES AND REGULATIONS**

### **POLICY**

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. 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 the expulsion of the violator from the premises. District Rangers have full authority to enforce all Lake Jennings Rules and Regulations.

### **EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS**

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

### **GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS**

- (1) All visitors shall check in at the Bait Shop and pay appropriate facility use fees upon entering the park.
- (2) Visitors shall not damage or deface any lake property.
- (3) No littering. All glass, waste paper, bottles, cans, and other trash shall be placed in the proper receptacles.
- (4) No hunting.
- (5) No firearms, other weapons, bows, arrows, fishing bows, or any spearing device.
- (6) No vehicles off paved roads, except to access campground spaces.
- (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) No removal of plants or animals.
- (9) Visitors shall not harm, injure, or kill any bird or mammal or interfere with its habitat.
- (10) No reservoir wading, swimming, or body contact by persons or domestic animals.
- (11) Visitors must observe all posted signs.
- (12) Bicycles are restricted to Bass Road and paved roads inside the campground only.
- (13) The perimeter road from the campground eastward is closed to motor vehicle traffic. Hikers and anglers are limited to Half-Moon Cove when the lake is closed to the general public.
- (14) No access to the lake and shoreline around the outlet tower as delineated by the buoy line and posted signs.
- (15) No domestic animals allowed except on Bass Road and in the campground. See section titled "Pets" for further details.
- (16) No fish cleaning on premises except by registered campers in designated fish cleaning stations.
- (17) Alcoholic beverages must be used legally and responsibly.
- (18) Smoking inside the Campground Pavilion, Lake Jennings Bait and Tackle Shop, and all restrooms is strictly prohibited.
- (19) Possession or use of illegal drugs is prohibited.

## **LAKE OPERATIONS**

### **OPERATING HOURS**

Operating hours shall be established and posted at the Lake Jennings Bait and Tackle Shop.

### **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 Day Use Pass at the Bait Shop or Campground Kiosk.

### **FISHING**

- (1) Children under age 16 must be accompanied by an adult.
- (2) A Lake Jennings Fishing Permit and a California State Fishing License are required.
- (3) One day fishing permits are sold at the Lake Jennings Bait and Tackle Shop and the campground entrance station.

- (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 lake is closed to the general public, 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 entrance station. A state fishing license is also required.

### **FISHING LIMITS**

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

### **BOATING**

- (1) Boat rental tickets and private boat launching tickets are sold at the Lake Jennings Bait and Tackle Shop. Persons desiring to make such a purchase must be age 16 or older and show valid identification.
- (2) Persons renting boats are responsible for any lost or damaged equipment.
- (3) Boats shall not exceed 10 mph at any time.
- (4) Boats shall observe the "No Wake Rule."
- (5) Abusive or irresponsible operation of any boat will not be tolerated.
- (6) Personal watercraft, inflatable rafts, sailboats, amphi-cars, and waders are prohibited.
- (7) 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.
- (8) Zodiac-type inflatables with a discernible bow, wooden transom, and wood deck are allowed.
- (9) All boats must return to the boat dock prior to closing time.
- (10) Half-day boat rentals are available. See Bait Shop for rental information.
- (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 the Lake Ranger.
- (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 the Lake Ranger.

## **CAMPGROUND OPERATIONS**

### **POLICY**

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**

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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, 51, 53, 63, 70, 78, 88.

### **EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS**

Sheriff	911	Sheriff Non-Emergency	(858) 565-5200
Fire	911	Registered Camper 24 hr. Assistance	(619) 873-5647
Paramedics	911	Campground Information	(619) 390-1623

### **GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS**

- (1) All camping units must have a current registration and proof of insurance. The person occupying the site must have a current driver's license.
- (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 the latter conditions exist at a camp unit.
- (3) Sleeping outdoors is prohibited.
- (4) The perimeter road from the campground eastward is closed to motor vehicle traffic. Hikers and anglers are limited to Half-Moon Cove when the lake is closed to the general public.
- (5) Visitors shall not damage or deface any lake property.
- (6) No littering. All glass, waste paper, bottles, cans, and other trash shall be placed in the proper receptacles.
- (7) No hunting.
- (8) No firearms, other weapons, bows, arrows, fishing bows, or any spearing device.
- (9) No vehicles off paved roads, except to access campground spaces.
- (10) 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.
- (11) No removal of plants or animals.
- (12) Visitors shall not harm, injure, or kill any bird or mammal or interfere with its habitat.
- (13) No reservoir wading, swimming, or body contact by persons or domestic animals.
- (14) Visitors must observe all posted signs.
- (15) Bicycles are restricted to Bass Road and paved roads inside the campground only.
- (16) No access to the lake and shoreline around the outlet tower as delineated by the buoy line and posted signs.
- (17) No domestic animals allowed except on Bass Road and in the campground. See section titled "Pets" for further details.
- (18) No fish cleaning on premises except by registered campers in designated fish cleaning stations.
- (19) Alcoholic beverages must be used legally and responsibly.
- (20) Smoking inside the Campground Pavilion, Lake Jennings Bait and Tackle Shop, and all restrooms is strictly prohibited.
- (21) Possession or use of illegal drugs is prohibited.
- (22) Restrooms and showers are to be used by registered campers only.
- (23) No working on vehicles or camping units.
- (24) No washing vehicles or camping units
- (25) Dump station use is reserved for use by registered campers only.

### **RESERVATIONS - SHORT TERM STAYS**

- (1) From April 1 to September 30, the maximum stay is 14 nights, within a 30-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. Paying third party must occupy one of the reserved sites for the duration of the reservation.
- (3) Reservations are accepted up to one year in advance of a stay.
- (4) On-line reservations require a 24-hour advance notice. Same day reservations may be made via telephone.
- (5) The minimum stay per reservation is one night Sunday through Thursday. Friday and Saturday check-ins require a two night stay.
- (6) Holiday weekends (with a Monday holiday) require a Friday, Saturday, and Sunday night stay.
- (7) Long-term stays are allowed, see Long-Term Stay Rules and Regulations.
- (8) Reservation cancellations more than 14 days before the arrival date will be charged the reservation fee and cancellation fee.
- (9) Reservation cancellations made 14 days or less prior to arrival date will forfeit the reservation fee, cancellation fee, and the first night's camping fee.
- (10) Reservation cancellations made 7 days or less prior to arrival date will forfeit all fees.
- (11) Reservations may be transferred or rescheduled, are only allowed one time, and must be made more than 72 hours prior to original arrival date. A transfer fee will be charged.
- (12) Reservations cannot be postponed more than 60 days from original arrival date.
- (13) Check-In time is 1 p.m. Check-Out time is 12 p.m. Late Check-Out may be allowed if authorized by the Ranger and appropriate fees are paid.
- (14) Discounts are not applied to weekly rates.

### **OCCUPANCY – SHORT TERM STAYS**

- (1) A maximum of 6 campers are allowed per night per site unless additional campers are authorized by the Ranger and appropriate fees are paid.
- (2) 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.
- (3) Sites can accommodate one camping unit, one tent, and one vehicle or two tents and one vehicle unless additional tents and/or vehicles are authorized by the Ranger and appropriate fees are paid. An additional vehicle is defined as a second motorized vehicle that does not tow nor has been towed by the main camping unit.
- (4) Guests visiting campers must leave the campground by 11 p.m.
- (5) Guests visiting campers are subject to a daily parking fee.

### **RESERVATIONS – TIPI SITES**

- (1) Pets will not be permitted to stay in tipi sites.
- (2) Tipis are non-smoking.
- (3) Registered Camper will be held responsible for all damage to the tipi.
- (4) Tipi maximum length of stay is 7 nights.
- (5) Do not move the flap opening poles. If they need to be adjusted, please ask an onsite park host or ranger.
- (6) Fires must be contained in the fire pits on the tipi campsite. Please do not move the fire pits from their set location. Fires are NOT permitted inside the tipis.
- (7) No additional tents will be permitted on Tipi sites.

### **RESERVATIONS – LONG TERM STAYS**

- (1) Long-term stays are allowed from October 1 to March 31 and are subject to the Long-Term Stay fee structure. The maximum stay per long term reservation is 6 months in a 12 month period, and no person may stay in the campground under any reservation for more than six months in a 12 month period. Individuals must fully vacate all District campgrounds following the maximum 6 month 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 select partial hookup site. A select number of full and partial hookup sites are allowed for long-term stays from April 1 to September 30. Advance reservations require full payment for the first month, process fee and any additional fees (e.g. extra pets, extra vehicles). Payment for a subsequent month(s) require a \$100.00 deposit for each month and must be paid in full to hold the site. The balance owed is due in full on the due date. The due date is the start date of the month of the original reservation. Reservation(s) with 31 days will be due on the 30<sup>th</sup> day or last day of the month. 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.
- (4) Fees must be paid with a credit card or debit card in the registered camper's name. Pre-paid cards and cash will not be accepted.
- (5) Reservations are accepted up to one year in advance of a stay.
- (6) On-line reservations require a 24-hour advance notice. Same day reservations may be made via telephone.
- (7) 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 the park staff to determine whether or not a campsite is in compliance.
- (8) No gathering of items such as firewood from other sites after departures.
- (9) Exterior lights must be turned off after 9:00 p.m. Door entrance and door step lights are acceptable.
- (10) Visiting hours are from 7:30 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.
- (11) Laundry room hours are from 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.
- (12) Reservation cancellations more than 14 days before the arrival date will be charged the reservation fee and cancellation fee.
- (13) Reservation cancellations made 14 days or less prior to arrival date will forfeit the reservation fee, cancellation fee, and the first night's daily rate camping fee.
- (14) Reservation cancellations made 7 days or less prior to arrival date will be charged 10% of the first month fee.
- (15) Reservations may be transferred or rescheduled, are only allowed one time, and must be made more than 72 hours prior to original arrival date. A transfer fee will be charged.
- (16) Reservations cannot be postponed more than 60 days from original arrival date.
- (17) Check-In time is 1 p.m. Check-Out time is 12 p.m.
- (18) Discounts are not applied to weekly or monthly rates.

### **OCCUPANCY - LONG TERM STAYS**

- (1) A maximum of 4 campers are allowed per night per site unless additional campers are authorized by the Ranger and appropriate fees are paid.
- (2) Camping units must be an RV, 5<sup>th</sup> wheel trailer, motorhome or travel trailer, Tents are not allowed.
- (3) 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 the Ranger and appropriate fees are paid.
- (4) Guests visiting campers will be charged a fee and must depart the campground by 11 p.m.
- (5) Guests visiting campers are subject to a daily parking fee.

### **QUIET HOURS**

- (1) Quiet hours are from 9 p.m. until 7 a.m. loud music, barking dogs, or any other disturbing noise is prohibited at all times.

- (2) Generators may be used on sites without electrical power from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Generators must have mufflers. Park 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.

### **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 Ranger's discretion.
- (6) Pets cannot be left unattended.
- (7) Pets are not permitted in Tipi sites.

### **ENTRY AND EXIT GATE FOR CAMPERS**

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.

### **WIRELESS INTERNET ACCESS**

- (1) Password and log-on information may be obtained at the entrance station.
- (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.

### **FISHING**

- (1) When the lake is closed to the general public, 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 entrance station. A state fishing license is also required.

### **LAKE JENNINGS FACILITY/VENUE RENTAL**

Designated areas are available for rent for weddings, parties, special events, and commercial video filming. The campground entrance station must be contacted in advance regarding availability of these locations.

- (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 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 cleanup 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.