

Staff Report

for the Maintenance & Resource Management Committee Meeting
of July 28, 2020

TO: Maintenance & Resource Management Committee

FROM: Monica Reyes, Recreation Manager

DATE: July 20, 2020

SUBJECT: Quiet Hours on Campground Lakes

RECREATION

RECOMMENDATION ACTION:

Review and discuss Scott's Flat Lake quiet hours, as requested by the Board of Directors, and provide direction or action as appropriate.

BACKGROUND:

Scott's Flat Lake opened for the 2020 boating season on May 29th. Due to COVID-19, the hours were restricted from 7:30 am to 7:00 pm with an additional "no-wake/5MPH" limit of 7:30 am to 9:30 am. These restrictions encouraged social distancing guidelines.

On July 3rd, Scott's Flat Lake resumed it's regular boating hours of sunrise to sunset with no other restrictions or limitations on speed or wake.

In a letter sent to the Board of Directors, residents of Scott's Flat Lake formally requested the quiet hours of Scott's Flat Campground be extended to the boating hours of Scott's Flat Lake. The campground quiet hours are from 10:00 pm to 8:00 am.

This request would impose a "no-wake/5MPH" limit on boaters from sunrise to 8:00 am.

BUDGETARY IMPACT:

No budgetary impact at this time.

Attachments:

- 2020 Boat Pass Application
- Letter dated July 1, 2020, from Scott's Flat Lake residents

Scotts Flat Campground

23333 Scotts Flat Road
Nevada City, CA 95959
530-265-8861



Long Ravine Campground

Mailing: PO Box 428, Chicago Park, CA 95712
26909 Rollins Lake Road, Colfax, CA 95713
530-346-6166

Orchard Springs Campground

Mailing: PO Box 428, Chicago Park, CA 95712
19085 Larsen Road, Grass Valley, CA 95945
530-346-0073

Peninsula Campground

Mailing: PO Box 428, Chicago Park, CA 95712
21597 You Bet Road, Grass Valley, CA 95945
530-477-9413

2020 Season Boat Pass

Season Single Facility Boat Pass: Single Facility	\$226.00
Season Multi Facility Boat Pass: Multi Facility	\$284.00
Additional Boat, Vehicle or Dog (each):	\$ 30.00
Cascade Shores Access Pass: Available to Cascade Shores Residents only	\$ 15.00

Season Boat Pass entitles two vehicles, one boat or two kayaks, four people and one dog daily park entrance and use of the recreational area dawn to dusk. Pass is valid from January 1st through December 31st.

Multi Facility Pass allow for entrance into Orchard Springs, Long Ravine, Peninsula or Scotts Flat.

	Vehicle #1	Additional Vehicle	Additional Vehicle
Make/Model			
License Number			

	Boat #1	Additional Boat
Boat Make		
CF#		

Name: _____

2nd Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Other Phone: _____

Passes are non-refundable and non-transferable. Passes are valid from January 1st - December 31st, there are no proration's. **Any boat posing a risk to NID's reservoirs, will be removed at the owner's expense, NID will not be liable for any damages.** All Campground Rule and Regulations apply, for a copy go to recreation.nidwater.com. Management reserves the right to revoke any pass at any time for any reason. ****All stickers must be stuck to your vehicle windshield (lower drivers side) and boat, the use of tape is not allowed****

Please Return By Mail or To Campground Gate House

- 1) Completed Season Boat Pass Application
- 2) Quagga Mussel Information
- 3) Payment

Location _____

Please Indicate Mail or Pick-up Stickers _____
(Cascade Shores Card Activations Wed. and Fri. 12pm-2pm)

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____

Signed _____

Date _____

Dear NID Board President,

July 1, 2020

We are writing to request an item be added to the NID Board meeting agenda for the upcoming meeting to discuss the Scotts Flat Lake regulations.

Specifically, we are requesting that the NID Board consider **extending the current quiet hours** (10 PM – 8 AM) regulation imposed on the campgrounds **to the lake itself**. Lake quiet hours are typically enforced by limiting the boat speeds to 5 mph (flat wake).

The benefits to the community include:

- A truly quiet time for campgrounds and nearby homes when the boat engine noise does not dominate the lake soundscape prior to 8:00 AM.
- Safe recreation and exercise time for the many swimmers, paddle boards, rowers, fishermen and kayakers who enjoy Scotts Flat Lake.
- Reduced early morning congestion on the docks, which also supports Nevada County's Health & Human Services Guidance for the Community regarding social distancing.

We appreciate your attention to this matter and look forward to discussing.

Respectfully,

Chris and Rick Donahue (local residents, rowers)
Sandra and John Hensley (local residents, swimmers, rowers)
Remy and Cameron Cox (kayakers, rowers)
Kyla Roessler (rower)
Chuck and Pam Scimeca (swimmers)
Linda Katz (local resident, swimmer)
Steve and Judy Peck (local residents)
Sonja Avila (paddle boarder)
John and Tracy Kohler (local residents)
Jane Lee (swimmer)