# STATE WATER PROJECT
# FUN IN THE SUN

**The State Water Project (SWP) is an engineering marvel and the nation's largest state owned and operated water and power delivery system – providing clean, affordable and reliable water for two-thirds of all Californians from the Bay Area all the way down to San Diego. But did you know that the SWP also offers outstanding recreational opportunities? As California works to make good on its commitment to increase equitable access to outdoor recreation throughout the state, recreation at SWP reservoirs helps to meet that goal. Whether it's biking, boating, camping, fishing, hiking or swimming, SWP lakes and reservoirs are an often-overlooked local destination for a little fun in the sun.**

**DID YOU KNOW?** The SWP has 16 lakes and reservoirs that offer recreational activities.

## RECREATION AT STATE WATER PROJECT RESERVOIRS

The California Department of Water Resources (DWR) manages the SWP. Through partnerships with state, local and federal agencies, DWR ensures the public can enjoy extensive water-based activities at SWP lakes and reservoirs, including:

- Biking
- Fishing
- Scenic Vista
- Boating
- Marina
- Swimming
- Camping
- Picnicking
- Wind Surfing
- Equestrian Trails
- RV Parks
- Visitor Centers

## VISITING SWP RESERVOIRS

SWP reservoirs and lakes offer year-round recreational opportunities for visitors, generating around **12 million visitor days** annually.

The SWP's three Visitor Centers in Northern, Central and Southern California are staffed by knowledgeable guides and provide exhibits and videos that highlight California's world-renowned water delivery system and the importance of water throughout the state.

## WATER SAFETY

DWR hosts Aquatic Adventure Camps – teaching water safety to children and youth who live near SWP reservoirs.

Safety is DWR's top priority for everyone recreating along the SWP. DWR offers water safety materials, including workbooks, posters and videos along with water safety programs for communities located within a 50-mile radius of one of the three Visitor Centers.

## CATCH A SPECIAL THRILL PROGRAM (C.A.S.T.)

DWR works with the C.A.S.T. for Kids Foundation, bringing together local, state and federal agencies, community groups, schools and other volunteers to provide children with disabilities ages 7–17 the opportunity to enjoy a quality outdoor recreational experience fishing at SWP reservoir sites. With the help of local boaters, C.A.S.T. participants are able to fish and learn about natural resources.

# RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES OFFERED AT SWP RESERVOIRS:

**LAKE OROVILLE**
Butte County
Biking, Boating, Camping, C.A.S.T., Equestrian Trails, Fishing, Marina, Picnicking, RV Park, Scenic Vista, Swimming, Visitor Center

**ANTELOPE LAKE**
Plumas County
Boating, Camping, Fishing, Picnicking, RV Park, Scenic Vista

**LAKE DAVIS**
Plumas County
Boating, Camping, Fishing, Picnicking, RV Park, Scenic Vista

**THERMALITO FOREBAY & AFTERBAY**
Butte County
Biking, Boating, Camping, Equestrian Trails, Fishing, Picnicking, RV Park, Swimming

**FRENCHMAN LAKE**
Plumas County
Boating, Camping, Fishing, Picnicking, RV Park, Scenic Vista

**BETHANY RESERVOIR**
Alameda County
Biking, Boating, Equestrian Trails, Fishing, Picnicking, Swimming, Windsurfing

**CLIFTON COURT FOREBAY**
Alameda County
Fishing

**SAN LUIS RESERVOIR**
Merced County
Biking, Boating, Camping, Equestrian Trails, Fishing, Picnicking, RV Park, Scenic Vista, Swimming, Visitor Center

**LAKE DEL VALLE**
Alameda County
Biking, Boating, Camping, Equestrian Trails, Fishing, Picnicking, RV Park, Scenic Vista, Swimming

**LOS BANOS RESERVOIR**
Merced County
Boating, Camping, Equestrian Trails, Fishing, Picnicking, Scenic Vista

**O'NEILL FOREBAY**
Merced County
Boating, Camping, C.A.S.T., Fishing, Picnicking, RV Park, Swimming

**QUAIL LAKE**
Los Angeles County
Fishing

**PYRAMID LAKE**
Los Angeles County
Boating, Camping, C.A.S.T., Fishing, Marina, Picnicking, RV Park, Scenic Vista, Swimming, Visitor Center

**CASTAIC LAKE**
Los Angeles County
Biking, Boating, Camping, C.A.S.T., Fishing, Picnicking, RV Park, Scenic Vista, Swimming, Windsurfing

**SILVERWOOD LAKE**
San Bernardino County
Biking, Boating, Camping, C.A.S.T., Fishing, Picnicking, Marina, Scenic Vista

**LAKE PERRIS**
Riverside County
Biking, Boating, Camping, C.A.S.T., Fishing, Picnicking, Equestrian Trails, RV Park, Scenic Vista