

DON PEDRO RECREATION AGENCY
BOARD OF CONTROL - DON PEDRO PROJECT
MINUTES August 8, 2014

CALL TO ORDER: 10:00 a.m. Don Pedro Recreation Agency

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Ron Macedo – Turlock Irrigation District
Dan Lehr – City & County of San Francisco
Paul Campbell – Modesto Irrigation District

OTHERS PRESENT: Bob & Susie Lynar – Private Houseboat Owners
Ross & Linda Swett – Private Houseboat Owners
Heather Victoria – Private Houseboat Owner
Joe & Phyllis Farenkamm – Private Houseboat Owners
Joe Vojvoda – Private Houseboat Owner

MINUTES

The Don Pedro Board of Control moved to approve the meeting minutes of July 11, 2014, as written.

MONTHLY FISCAL REPORT

Actual revenue for the month of June, 2014, was \$251,781 and actual revenue including sponsor contributions was \$307,408. Projected revenue for June was \$415,900. Actual revenue year to date was \$991,260 and actual revenue year to date including sponsor contributions was \$1,189,164. Compared to June, 2013, all revenue categories were down with the exception of miscellaneous revenue and WiFi fees. Actual expenses for June were \$277,986 and the projected June expense was \$304,993. Capital expenses for the month of June totaled \$9,965 and were attributed to the campsite renovation, lake regulatory management, electronics, and sign replacement projects.

PROPOSED CONCESSION FEE FOR MOCCASIN POINT MARINA DURING EXECUTION OF THE CONCESSION LEASE AGREEMENT WAIVER FOR LOW WATER LOCATION

Agency Director Russell presented a proposal to the Board for consideration of a 3% concession fee for the Moccasin Point Marina (MPM) during the period of time that the Waiver to the MPM Concession Lease Agreement (CLA) is in effect. The CLA specifies the amount of the concession fee to be paid to Don Pedro Recreation Agency (DPRA) when the marina is moored in Moccasin Bay, the Jacksonville site and the Six Bit Gulch locations, but it does not specify a fee for the low water location.

After much discussion Board member Campbell proposed a 3.75% concession fee for the low water location. The Board voted unanimously to approve a 3.75% concession fee for the Moccasin Point Marina during execution of the CLA Waiver for Low Water Location.

2015 RECREATION AGENCY BUDGET

Agency Director Russell presented an overview of the draft 2015 O&M and Capital budgets to the Board. The Board was asked to review the detailed material with action to be requested at the September meeting. Director Lehr suggested looking at what else can be cut on the expense side due to the possibility that the 2015 projected revenue may be unrealized, especially if the low water conditions continue.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The updated lake elevation projections were reviewed. The lake level continues to follow the projection curve. The Blue Oaks launch ramp was closed the last week of June, and the Moccasin Point launch ramp closed shortly after the Fourth of July. The Fleming Meadows launch ramp has now reduced from 5 lanes of launching to 2 lanes.

There were 1,041 campsite reservations made in July, 2014. This is 434 less than were made in July, 2013. The total reservations, year to date, are less than last years' total through the month of July by 1,923. This amounts to 29% fewer reservations than were made through July, 2013.

Shallow draft vessels have been launching in Moccasin Bay where old highway 49 has been emerging with the dropping water elevation. DPRA staff members have been clearing the roadway of several inches of mud each day and maintaining a courtesy dock to assist boaters in boarding their vessels.

The Fleming Meadows launch ramp was reduced from 5 launching lanes to 2 lanes last weekend causing up to an hour wait to

launch or retrieve vessels on Saturday. DPRA staff directed traffic on the ramp from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. This effort will continue through the coming weekends. DPRA staff will be moving courtesy docks and installing channel markers to help reduce congestion over the two lane ramp.

Fleming Meadows has been nearly full with reservations going into the weekends since mid-July. Blue Oaks “C” and “D” areas have been opened for weekend camping to handle overflow traffic. Moccasin Point camping activity has been light. Labor Day Weekend reservations currently have Fleming Meadows 99% reserved, Blue Oaks is 28% reserved and Moccasin Point is 28% reserved.

There was a fire at Fleming Meadows on July 27th. The fire burned approximately ¼ - ½ acre. The fire did not threaten any campsites. DPRA staff and CalFire responded and an investigation is being conducted.

Staff continues to clean shoreline areas in many locations around the lake that are becoming exposed as the water level drops.

The Fleming Meadows swimming lagoon has been very busy requiring overflow parking at times.

MATTERS TO THE GOOD

Private houseboat owner, Phyllis Farenkamm, asked if the 5 mph buoy line has been extended at the Lone Gulch location. DPRA Director Russell responded that she would check with staff.

Private houseboat owner, Bob Lynar, asked if it makes any sense for the marina to sell firewood. Mr. Lynar stated that rental houseboats are having campfires on the shoreline. Mr. Lynar also asked if DPRA can give each houseboater a large orange Cal Trans type garbage bag to pack out their trash.

Discussion took place regarding trash left on the shoreline by campers and how DPRA can track shoreline camper locations.

Private houseboat owner, Ross Swett, asked if there was an update on acquiring cell phone repeaters.

Private houseboat owner, Joe Vojvoda, asked for an update on a sewage spill that he had reported. Agency Director Russell, responded that the event as described was associated with the disconnect of the line and backflow of fresh water flush when installing a new pump for the sewage lines and not a sewage spill.

Private houseboat owner, Ross Swett, asked who is responsible for the design, installation, and maintenance of the new houseboat lines. Agency Director Russell answered that the Concessionaire is responsible for the lines.

MOTIONS PASSED

On motion of Lehr, seconded by Campbell, the following motion was adopted:

2014-08-04 The Board voted unanimously to approve a 3.75% Concession Fee For Moccasin Point Marina During Execution Of The Concession Lease Agreement Waiver For Low Water Location.

ADJOURNMENT

Due to no further business, the Board adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carol Russell
Secretary to Board of Control

Copies to: Mr. Williams
 Messrs. Frantz, Hashimoto, Macedo, Her
 Messrs. Campbell, Davids, VanHoy