



SAN LUIS RESERVOIR

STATE RECREATION AREA

WELCOME! San Luis Reservoir State Recreation Area, located along the historic Pacheco Pass on the Diablo Mountain Range is comprised of three recreational lakes that are popular for boating, fishing, water sports, and camping. Two of them, San Luis Reservoir and O'Neill Forebay, are part of the California State Water Project and the Central Valley Project, the two major water systems in California. Water from the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta is diverted south and into the O'Neill Forebay where it is then pumped into the San Luis Reservoir for later use during the year. San Luis Reservoir is the largest off-stream reservoir in the United States with a capacity of 2.1 million acre-feet of water for farmers in the Central Valley and communities in Southern California. Los Baños Creek Reservoir is fed naturally and is well known for its historical significance as the Path of the Padres.



**San Luis Reservoir
State Recreation Area**
31426 Gonzaga Road
Gustine, CA 95322



Day-Use Areas:
6 a.m. to sunset



**California State Parks
Passes Accepted:** Boat Use,
Distinguished Veteran,
Disabled Discount, Explorer,
Golden Bear, Senior Golden Bear,
Golden Poppy, State Library



Day-Use Parking:

\$10/day/vehicle
\$7 boat launch

Special holiday rates apply.



209-826-1197

711, TTY Relay Service

parks.ca.gov/SanLuisReservoir



California State Parks supports equal access. Prior to arrival, visitors with disabilities who need assistance should contact the park at 209-826-1197. If you need this publication in an alternate format, contact 209-826-1197.

ACTIVITIES

Fishing—Opportunities to catch striped bass, black bass and trout. A valid California fishing license is required for ages 16 years and older.

Bicycling—Permitted on roads and multiuse trails. Observe all posted trail signs and right of way. Helmets required for minors. Class 1 e-bikes permitted.

Aquatic Recreation—Activities include swimming boating, kayaking, windsurfing and kiteboarding.

Horseback Riding—Permitted at Los Baños Creek multi-use trails only.

Day-Use/Picnic—Group picnic areas available for reservation by phone. All others are first come, first served.

ADA Trail—The scenic San Luis Creek Trail begins at San Luis Creek campground and extends south along the waterfront for 2.1 miles to South Beach day-use area.

Off-Highway Vehicles (OHV)—Jasper Sears is a small OHV track for beginners riding dirt bikes and ATVs. UTVs and Side By Sides are not allowed. Please wear appropriate safety gear when riding.

Duck Hunting—Seasonal waterfowl hunting is permitted in designated areas. Be sure to check regulations with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife.

PLEASE REMEMBER

Water Safety—Swim near a lifeguard. No swimming beyond 200 feet from shoreline.

Alcohol—No glass containers permitted. Consuming alcohol on beach prohibited. Do not drink and drive.

Dogs—No dogs on trails or beaches. All dogs must be on leash 6 feet or less in length and under control of owner.

BOATING

- Water levels fluctuate frequently. Beware of hazards and shallow water.
- No boats in swim area. Maximum speed 5 mph within 200 feet of shorelines frequented by bathers. Maximum speed 35 mph. No towing in buoyed 5-mph areas. Mooring prohibited at courtesy docks.
- Beware of high wind conditions.
- Life jackets are mandatory outside designated swim zones.
- Two-stroke engine restrictions are in place.
- A valid California Boater Card is required to operate a motorized vessel.

CAMPING

There are three campgrounds open year-round for camping.

- **San Luis Creek**—Developed campground with 51 sites along O'Neil Forebay.
- **Los Baños Creek**—Primitive campground with 12 sites along Los Baños Creek Reservoir.
- **Medeiros Area**—Primitive camping with 44 sites along O'Neil Forebay.
- **Basalt Area**—Campground and surrounding area are currently closed due to repairs.

Quiet Hours—Campground quiet hours 10 p.m.–6 a.m. No loud voices during quiet hours. Be courteous; allow everyone to enjoy their visit.

Generators—Use is permitted from 10 a.m.–8 p.m.

Check In/Check Out—2 p.m./Noon

Capacity—Campsites limited to eight persons/two vehicles. One vehicle permitted per campsite with reservation. Additional vehicles will be charged overnight vehicle fee.

Firewood—Gathering is prohibited. Campfires are permitted in fire rings provided in the campsites only. Stoves and barbecues are permitted.

Campsite Availability—Reserve your site by visiting ReserveCalifornia.com or calling 800-444-7275. Camping fees (per night): \$20 for primitive sites and \$40 for full hookup site. Non-refundable reservation fee applies.

