

## *Frequently Asked Questions about Anderson Lake*

### **Do I need to make a reservation?**

On weekends and holidays, from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend, reservations are required to launch at Anderson Lake between the hours of 8am and 12 noon. Having a reservation is your only guarantee of launching your vessel before noon. After 12 noon, available spaces will be given on a first come, first serve basis until the boating capacity has been reached.

Reservations can be made up to three weeks in advance by calling the Santa Clara County Parks & Recreation Reservations Office at (408) 355-2201 during regular business hours, or you may go to our website at [www.parkhere.org](http://www.parkhere.org). There is a \$6 **non-refundable** reservation fee for every reservation made. The reservation charge does not include other customary charges.

### **What is the boating capacity for Anderson Lake?**

The boating capacity for Anderson Lake is determined by the amount of surface acres of water. The ratio used by the department is 1 vessel to every 6 surface acres. As the water level decreases so will the capacity of vessels allowed on the water. Additionally, a total daily launch limit is established by the Santa Clara Valley Water District based on water quality sample testing. The current daily launch limit is 170 vessels.

### **What are your fees?**

Daily Vehicle Pass \$5.00	Annual Vehicle Pass \$65.00	Lifetime Senior Vehicle Pass (60+) \$65.00
Daily Launch Pass \$6.00	Annual Launch Pass \$65.00	Disabled Vehicle Pass – call Parks Administration at (408) 355-2200

### **What are your boating hours?**

All Santa Clara County Park reservoirs are open to boating from 8am to ½ hour before sunset with the exception of Coyote Lake, which opens at 6 a.m. for fishing.

### **What type of fuel is allowed?**

Boaters may purchase fuel from a vendor of their choice as MTBE has been removed from the State's fuel source. All refueling of vessels must occur in the designated refueling area, located in the trailer parking lot across from the restrooms.

**\*\*Boaters refueling on the water or along the shoreline, or placing fuel containers along the shoreline, may be cited for this violation and fined up to \$500.00 (Fish & Game section 5650(a) Water Pollution).**

### **Where can I park?**

Boat trailers must use designated stalls and park within the white lines. Failure to do so may cost another boater the opportunity to park their trailer and lessen the number of

boats that can launch. Remember it is illegal to park outside the painted lines and may cost you a fine.

If you have a vehicle without a trailer, there are a limited number of parking spaces across from the restroom. When these are full you must park on the face of the Dam, on the right hand side, do not park in the trailer lots as this will cost another boater the opportunity to park their trailer and lessen the number of boats that can launch.

**Remember the roadway at the dam is one-way travel only.**

**Do you have a picnic area along the water's edge?**

Woodchoppers Picnic Area is the only picnic site on the water. From the Dam turn left on Cochrane Ave. Turn left onto Hill Ave. Turn left onto East Dunne Ave. Follow the signs to Henry Coe State Park and the Woodchoppers picnic area. Dogs are allowed on leash. BBQ's are only allowed in the Woodchoppers Picnic Area. BBQ's and/or fires are not allowed along the shoreline for fire safety reasons. The Woodchoppers picnic area is available on a first-come first-serve basis, sorry no tables are reservable.

**Are there fish in Anderson Lake?**

The reservoir is not stocked. You can find largemouth bass, bluegill, crappie, sunfish and catfish in the waters. All Fish & Game regulations apply.

**What laws apply when I'm boating?**

All State Boating Laws apply. Please observe them and ask if you are unsure. We are happy to help. There are county ordinances that also apply for your safety – all vessels must follow a counter-clockwise direction of travel, the speed limit is 35 mph, please observe all 5mph zones, there is no swimming or wading allowed, and all vessels are subject to inspection. Please contact a park ranger for further information if desired.

For more information, please call the Anderson Park office at (408) 779-3634.

For all boating emergencies, please dial 911.