



SANTA CLARATM COUNTY PARKS

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County Parks Boating and Campground Reopening FAQs

Face coverings are required at all times, even while exercising outdoors if unable to maintain 6 ft. social distancing!

1. When will Lexington be open for boating?

This is unknown at this time. The Department is monitoring use and parking in the Lexington area. As use numbers normalize and parking issues ease to allow safe access to Lexington Reservoir for boaters, the Department will reopen.

2. How long will the requirement for booking a boating reservation be (for Locations that generally don't require them; Coyote, Lexington) and why is it required 7 days a week?

7-days per week reservations will remain in place until further notice. Boating reservations is required to for the health and safety of boaters and park staff, per Public Health requirements. Reservations helps the department manage social distancing and lines at the kiosk, launch ramp and inspection stations, as well as minimize close, prolonged interaction between staff and the public. Finally, reservations allows the Department to manage the restrictions on the number of users at each reservoir per Public Health Order guidelines.

3. Why do we have to pay for a (boating) reservation fee?

The payment of a Boating Reservation fee is required per County Ordinance (fee schedule).

4. When will campgrounds open for reservation?

Camping reopened to reservation holders on June 12th. Due to COVID19 requirements, some campsites are required to closed to meet social distancing requirements. Unfortunately, that meant some reservation holders' campsites were closed. After the Department accommodates those impacted reservation holders, the Department will reopen reservations. Camping will only be allowed by reservation at www.gooutsideandplay.org. There will not be first come first sites available due the restrictions.

5. Will the showers/bathrooms be open at the campgrounds?

Bathrooms are open at all County Parks. Some restrooms in group areas or serving picnic sites have been closed, as those activities are not allowed per the Public Health Order. Showers are closed until further notice per the Public Health Order. As the Order allows, the Department will re-evaluate the showers and reopen when restrictions are lifted.

6. Will we have access to water spigots at the campsites?

Yes, water spigots will be open for use. Keep in mind, these are publicly accessible areas and areas of frequent touching by the general public. It is highly encouraged, for your safety and the safety of your family, to bring gloves, hand sanitizer or disinfectant wipes to maintain cleanliness and protect yourselves. These areas will be periodically disinfected by staff, however water spigots, food lockers and other high touch areas should be used using good hygiene practices and your safety in mind.

7. Will firewood be sold at the campgrounds?

Yes, firewood will be available for sale. In order to minimize close and prolonged interaction between public and staff, payment through fee machines (credit/debit cards required).

8. When will day use/picnic sites be available to reserve?

First come first serve picnic tables are now open for use by 10 people or less from the same household.

9. Why is overflow overnight parking restricted?

Camping is only allowed for SAME HOUSEHOLD and SAME LIVING UNIT, no guests or members outside of the household or living unit are allowed. Restriction of overflow, overnight parking is required to manage this Public Health Order restriction.

10. Are Uvas reservations required 7 days a week?

Yes. In order to manage social distancing and vehicle traffic through the park and neighboring community, reservations are required at Uvas Canyon County Park 7 days per week, through September 7, 2020 (may be extended depending on traffic volume).