

Casitas Municipal Water District
RECREATION COMMITTEE
Special Meeting
Agenda
Brennan/Kaiser

March 18, 2026 – 10:00 a.m.

This meeting will be conducted in person at the District Office and also
via teleconference.

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1. Roll Call
2. Public comments.
3. Board/Management Comments.
4. Discussion of user fee adjustments at the Lake Casitas Recreation Area.
5. Review a proposed letter regarding illegal Lake Casitas Shoreline camping along Highway 150.
6. Review of Recreation Area Report for January 2026.
7. Review of Incidents and Comments.

Right to be heard: Members of the public have a right to address the Board directly on any item of interest to the public which is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. The request to be heard should be made immediately before the Board's consideration of the item. No action shall be taken on any item not appearing on the agenda unless the action is otherwise authorized by subdivision (b) of §54954.2 of the Government Code.

If you require special accommodation for attendance at or participation in this meeting, please notify our office 24 hours in advance (805) 649-2251 ext. 113. (Govt. Code Section 65954.1 and 54954.2(a). Please be advised that members of the Board of Directors of Casitas who are not members of this standing committee may attend the committee meeting referred to above only in the capacity of observers, and may not otherwise take part in the meeting. (Govt. Code Sections 54952.2(c)(6)

CASITAS MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
Committee Memo

DATE: March 13, 2026

TO: Recreation Committee

FROM: Michael Flood, General Manager

SUBJECT: Proposed LCRA User Fee Adjustments

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Recreation Committee review and discuss current Lake Casitas Recreation Area (LCRA) user fees and provide comment to staff in preparation for subsequent user fee changes prior to final Board approval and implementation.

BACKGROUND AND OVERVIEW

Over the past several years, Casitas MWD has reviewed and made adjustments to the User-Fee Schedule at the Lake Casitas Recreation Area.

In considering adjustments for 2026, staff has focused on the park entrance fee.

ANALYSIS

The current Weekdays/Non-Season entrance fee of \$10 has been in place since 2008.

The current Sat/Sun & Holiday entrance fee of \$20 has been in place since 2016.

Staff recommends that these fees be adjusted to \$15 (Weekdays/Non-Season) and \$25 (Sat/Sun & Holidays)

The proposed revised user fee schedule is attached.

	Current Everyday	Wkday Easter- Labor Day	Purposed Everyday	Wkday Easter- Labor Day
Lake Casitas Recreation Area User Fees:	Non-Season	Sat-Sun & Holidays	Non Season	Sat-Sun Holidays
Daily Vehicle Permits				
Per day, per motor vehicle	\$10.00	\$20.00	\$15.00	\$25.00
Per day, per passenger bus	\$30.00	\$30.00		
Per day/night per pet Note: 1 Pet Included with FV Decal	\$3 / \$5	\$3 / \$5		
Boat Permits:				
Per day, per boat (Subject to Quarantine)	\$20.00	\$20.00		
Per day, per canoe, kayak (Subject to Quarantine)	\$10.00	\$10.00		
Per night, per boat	\$25.00	\$25.00		
Canoe/Kayak per night, per unit	\$10.00	\$10.00		
Tamper Proof Cable & Lock and Inspection	\$75.00	\$75.00		
Re-Inspection (no cable, lock)	\$40.00	\$40.00		
Annual Permits				
Frequent Visitor Annual Decal (Includes 1 Pet)	\$165.00	\$165.00		
Senior Frequent Visitor Annual Decal (65+) (1 Pet)	\$160.00	\$160.00		
Additional FV Annual Decal (Same household)	\$75.00	\$75.00		
Annual Boat Permit	\$150.00	\$150.00		
Annual Canoe/Kayak Permit	\$50.00	\$50.00		
Replacement/transfer of Annual Permit	\$30.00	\$30.00		
Casitas Water Adventure				
Single Splash Pass (0-2-year-old free)		\$23 / 28		
Season Pass weekday only		\$125.00		
Water Aerobics Classes single / 5 single visits		\$10 - \$45		
Group Sales 25 minimum weekdays only		\$20.00		
Reservation Fee		\$20.00		
Shade Canopy		\$85.00		
*New Cabana Rental (max 8 persons)		\$100.00		
*CWA Lodge 1 room rental / 2 room rental 15 max per room. (Includes 10 tickets and vehicle).		\$250/\$500		
Camping Permits: Per night, vehicle, site. Maximum in all sites - 8 persons				
Tent Sites	\$40.00	\$46.00		
Basic sites electric & water only	\$50.00	\$60.00		
Deluxe sites, electricity, water, sewer & concrete pad	\$65.00	\$72.00		
Executive sites, electricity, water, sewer & pad	\$79.00	\$87.00		
Premium Executive and Deluxe sites	\$68-\$84	\$77-\$92		
Overflow, per unit, per night	\$55.00	\$55.00		

	Current Everyday	Wkday Easter- Labor Day	Purposed Everyday	Wkday Easter- Labor Day
Lake Casitas Recreation Area User Fees:	Non-Season	Sat-Sun & Holidays	Non Season	Sat-Sun Holidays
Extra vehicle per night - based on availability	\$20.00	\$30.00		
Late Check-Out / Renewal Fee	\$30.00	\$30.00		
Cancellation Fee, Per Site, and or within 48 / 24 hrs.	\$10 / 25% 50%	\$10 / 25% 50%		
Change Reservation Fee, Per Site	\$10.00	\$10.00		
Non-Refundable Reservation Fee, Per Site	\$20.00	\$20.00		
Cabin Rentals				
Sycamore, Sleeps up to 4, pet fee \$20 (2-night min)	\$180.00	\$230.00		
Oak, Sleeps 6 to 8, no pets (2-night min)	\$230.00	\$260.00		
Snowbird Off-Season Agreement Contract 60 nights minimum				
Basic sites electricity, water & concrete pad	\$45.00	N/A		
Deluxe sites electricity, water & concrete pad	\$45.00	N/A		
Executive, electricity, water, sewer, concrete pad	\$83.00	N/A		
Group Camping				
Owl Court Camp Group Area per night	\$430.00 Includes 10 vehicles			
Trout Camp Group Area per night	\$410.00 Includes 10 vehicles			
Owl / Trout Camp Group Area – Reservation Fee	\$100.00			
Pollywog Camp Group Area per night	\$205.00 Includes 5 vehicles			
Pollywog Camp Group – Reservation Fee	\$50.00			
Deer Camp Group Area per night	\$205.00 Includes 5 vehicles			
Deer Camp Group - Reservation Fee	\$100.00			
Picnic Area Reservation	\$200.00			
Pickleball Court Reservation Includes Picnic 1	\$300.00			
Recreational Vehicle Storage				
Back in storage sites up to 32 feet	\$150.00 prorated			
Pull thru storage sites up to 45 feet	\$175.00 prorated			
Canoe / Kayak storage racks	\$25.00			
Impound fee	\$75.00			

CASITAS MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
Committee Memo

DATE: July 10, 2025

TO: Recreation Committee

FROM: Michael Flood, General Manager

SUBJECT: Review a proposed letter regarding illegal Lake Casitas shoreline camping along Highway 150.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Recreation Committee review and discuss the proposed letter.

BACKGROUND AND OVERVIEW

Illegal camping around Lake Casitas has seen an uptick over the last five years.

Casitas MWD staff has worked with the County of Ventura to post No Parking signs along most of the sections of Santa Ana Road that border Lake Casitas.

It's been observed that illegal camping is occurring along many sections of Highway 150 that border Lake Casitas

ANALYSIS

Illegal camping along the shoreline present a significant water quality risk to Lake Casitas which provides the primary drinking water supply for the Casitas' more than 60,000 residents.

Many of the areas being used for illegal camping do not currently have No Parking signs thus creating difficulties for law enforcement to address the issue.

The attached letter would be addressed primarily to Caltrans but other agencies could be included to inform them of the problem.



March XX, 2026

To Whom It May Concern,

Lake Casitas is situated in the northwestern portion of Ventura County and has been the main source of drinking water for the area's more than 60,000 residents for over sixty years.

The lake is bordered by a significant portion of State Highway 150 and there is an ongoing problem with illegal camping along this portion of the highway.

Illegal camping often leads to discharges of waste and trash which can potentially end up in Lake Casitas and thus contaminating this important drinking water supply.

Casitas MWD asks that No Parking signs be erected in the locations noted on the attached map at the soonest possible time.

Please contact me directly either by the phone number or email address noted below.

Sincerely,

Michael Flood
General Manager
Casitas Municipal Water District
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CASITAS MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
LAKE CASITAS RECREATION AREA

DATE: March 13, 2026

TO: Recreation Committee

FROM: Michael Flood, General Manager

SUBJECT: Monthly Report for the Recreation Area for January 2026

Visitation Numbers

The following is a comparison of visits for January 2026

	Jan 2026	Jan 2025	Dec 2025
Visitor Days	46,564	38,604	37,520
Camps	1,958	1,812	2,784
Cars	11,641	9,651	9,380
Boats	80	60	66
Kayaks & Canoes	1	0	1

Visitor Day Totals for Fiscal Year 25/26 through Jan 2026	
2024/2025	548,320
2025/2026	564,264
Difference	15,944
%Change	2.86 %

The formulas for calculating the above attendance figures derived from the daily cash reports are as follows:

Visitor Days = Daily vehicles + 30-minute passes X 3 + café passes + attendance at special events + annual vehicle decals + replacement decals + campsites occupied + extra vehicles X 4

Camps = Campsites occupied + extra vehicles

Cars = Daily vehicles + 30-minute passes X 3 + café passes + attendance at special events + annual vehicle decals + replacement decals + campsites occupied + extra vehicles

Boats = Daily boats + overnight boats + annual decals + replacement decals

Kayaks & Canoes = Daily kayaks and canoes + overnight kayaks and canoes + annual kayaks and canoes

Below is the January 2026 Lake Casitas Recreation Area Summary of events, projects, and financials for Fiscal Year 25/ 26.

❖ **Day Use and Campgrounds:**

- Increase of 2.86% in day use.
- Camping.
- Overall, total visits.

❖ **Fishing Tournaments:**

- 1 ABA Tournament.
- 19 Teams participated.
- Largest catch 4.88lbs

❖ **Boating:**

- 807 vessel tags issued, (12,427 tagged in 2025).
- 35 scheduled boat inspections, (594 inspections in 2025).
- 31 vessels passed inspection and placed into quarantine (350 passed).

❖ **Maintenance:**

- Tree Debris Clean up.
- Restroom repairs.
- Picnic area project.

❖ **Casitas Water Adventure:**

- Lifeguard Registration ongoing.
- Lifeguard Recruitment continuing.
- Applications are now available online.

❖ **Verbal Updates:**

- Recent storm effects: Update on LCRA
- Upcoming Spring/Summer events planned
- Rowing Club storage relocation update
- Status of Santa Ana Road after-hours enforcement and coordination with VCSO

Revenue Reporting

The unaudited Fiscal Year 25/26 figures for the month of January increased by 2% from the prior FY year. Per the District's Financial Summary, generated by the Chief Financial Officer.

