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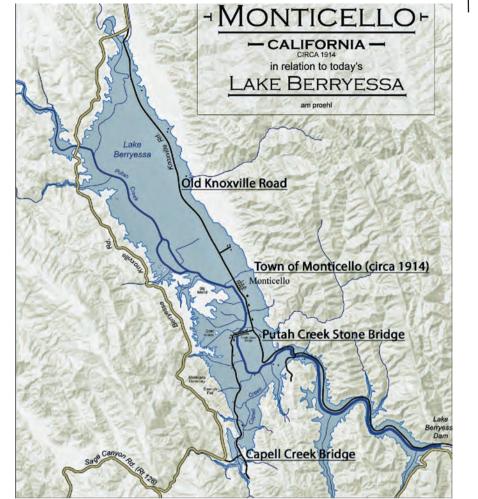
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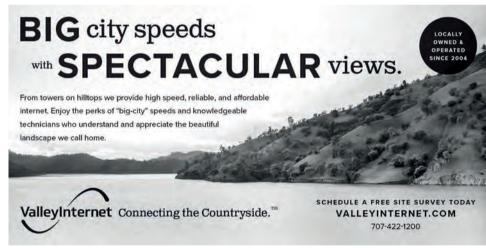
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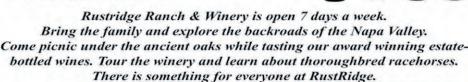
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Of Challengers and Challenges: Local Politics Style

by Peter Kilkus

running for Napa County District 4 overwhelming amount of data to absorb allowed). supervisor which encompasses the in a short time. southern part of the Lake Berryessa

challengers face when running against an incumbent office holder. Alfredo Pedroza is the present, unelected, District 4 supervisor. He is being challenged by Chris Malan and Diane Shepp. Both public service careers in Napa County.

bumbling about by the Bureau of Reclamation and the recent epic fail of the latest bid process, Lake Berryessa voters, businesses, and residents are angry.

government at the lake is of the Federal access the challengers could not match. public and the good of Napa County?" Government in general. The BLM does fundamental problem. A revolutionary approach is needed.

unfairness of the requirement that all supervisory districts contain relatively equal number of voters. Although urban candidate in the supervisorial race. areas (cities and towns) already have local governments looking after their needs, the rural unincorporated areas only have county supervisors to stand up for them. (See story on Pg. 2.)

voters wanted to know was, "What are people living in the unincorporated areas matter what the result of the election, this experience and vision than Malan, and you going to do for Lake Berryessa?"

The first problem for the challengers sustainability advocate. became clear very quickly. Although all candidates were provided the link to the

years in Napa County, and fifteen years of economy, people, and environment. It The forum highlighted the problems very public controversy regarding the also recognizes that after fifty years of future development of the lake resorts environmental progress, society knows (the Notice of Intent to create a new how to combine those essential elements Visitor Services Plan and Record of to create environmentally-sound. Decision was published in the Federal economically-balanced, people-oriented Register in 2000) weren't the challengers communities. We know how to

Its adherents often look at areas like Lake

Bureau of Reclamation's web site Berryessa as personal experiments in The Lake Berryessa Chamber of documenting the multi-year process that creating a rural open space fantasy of Commerce recently held a Candidates led to the present disastrous state of plants and animals frolicking in a human-Forum to introduce the candidates affairs at Lake Berryessa, it was an almost free setting (often hikers and kayakers are

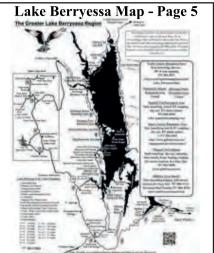
Sustainability understands But a fair question is why, after 30 fundamental interrelatedness of the challengers have had long, successful more knowledgeable about the issues? implement sustainable practices for Pedroza had the incumbent's wineries, sustainable design outcomes After more than a fifteen years of advantage as a sitting supervisor in that he for lake resorts, and sustainable rural other supervisors' top priority. He is a

Berryessa issues for the last fifteen One basic question asked at the enthusiasm do not guarantee the most months, including the latest proposal to meeting was, "Do you support the favorable outcome. He must take have Napa County take back Lake proposal that Napa County once again seriously the frustrations of hi Cong. Thompson has proposed that Berryessa and manage it as the County take over the management of Lake constituents at the lake. the Bureau of Land Management take did from 1958 to 1975. He was involved Berryessa and develop smart contracts over Lake Berryessa from the Bureau of in the latest discussions between the with qualified recreation companies to candidates' positions as described on Reclamation, but the obvious failure of Bureau of Reclamation and the County - operate the resorts for the good of the their web sites:

Malan knew relatively little about the Although none of the candidates not seem to be a real solution to the lake situation and discussed the issues endorsed this proposal directly, they were through the simple prism of traditional receptive to it. Each of them pledged to environmental activism and touted help restore Lake Berryessa to its former Pedroza will be hard to beat. He has the District maps show the basic previous environmental projects she had status as a premier recreation destination endorsements of almost all of the local spearheaded in the valley. Her web site with functioning resorts which would political and business leaders which some claims she is the most environmental support local businesses and assist in may regard as a significant negative. lowering water/sewer service rates in the Shepp was better informed than Berryessa Highlands and Spanish Flat.

Malan. She had also visited the Lake The meeting ended with the residents probably the only way to beat Pedroza Berryessa area several times and spoken in attendance loudly demanding that the Practical politics says that perhaps Malan with local residents about their concerns. next supervisor make Lake Berryessa a should withdraw from the race and throw As a rural resident of the Soda Canyon top priority. Since Pedroza will continue her support to a coalition to elect Shepp. The basic question Lake Berryessa area, she seems to understand the needs of to be supervisor until the end of 2016, no Diane Shepp has much broader like Lake Berryessa. She is also a was also a demand for his immediate significantly more time in the trenches attention as discussions with the federal than Pedroza. On balance, based on the Old-school environmental advocacy government about the management of needs of the Lake Berryessa community. focuses on resources rather than people. Lake Berryessa continue in the near term. the Lake Berryessa News endorses Diane Lake Berryessa must be his, and the Shepp for Supervisor.





has been forced to deal with Lake development for the good of local people. polished candidate, but youth and

Local voters should review the

www.shepp4supervisor.com, www.apedroza.com.

www.votechrismalan2016.com.

From a practical perspective,

Coalition building was emphasized by both Shepp and Malan - a coalition i

The Lake Berryessa News Endorses Diane Shepp for Napa County District 4 Supervisor

unfairness of the requirement that all districts contain Eagle Act, however, and it is against the law to trap, relatively equal number of voters. Although urban purchase or sell the eagles, their nests, eggs or body areas (cities and towns) already have local governments looking after their needs, the rural unincorporated areas only have county supervisors to stand up for them.

But if the supervisor only has to appeal to the urban voters (where the majority of the votes exist) they can ignore rural areas like Lake Berryessa since they do not need those votes to be elected. This has been the historical plight of the Lake Berryessa community for decades.

If a candidate gets less than 20% of the vote, it usually signifies a profound voter dissatisfaction with tossing around plastic bottles and other light objects on that candidate. Official election records show that this the ground, and even passing sticks back and forth was the case in a previous election for District 3 between them when in flight, supervisor before the Lake Berryessa region was split into two districts - diluting its political clout.

The incumbent supervisor got less than 19% of the twice before it's exhaled. vote in Pope Valley (17.7%) and Lake Berryessa (18.9%). If a candidate gets less than 34% of the vote, this is still a telling repudiation of that candidate's performance. This was also the case for the incumbent in Angwin (34.7%) and Oakville (33.7%). The incumbent also got less than 44% of the votes in Deer Park and along the Silverado Trail.

voters in those areas was only 4,100 people and the can take up to 3 months. Bald total number of registered voters in District 3 was eagles will often use the same nest 13,365, the majority of those inside the city limits of site year after year. St. Helena and Calistoga.

Rural vote

Incumbent - 30% of $4{,}100 = 1{,}230$ Challenger - 70% of $4{,}100 = 2{,}870$

Urban vote

Incumbent - 70% of 9.200 = 6.440Challenger - 30% of 9.200 = 2.760

Total Incumbent = 7.670Total Challenger = 5.630

Challenger lost by 60% to 40%

Bald Eagles at Lake Berryessa

The adult eagles — which mate for life — can weigh about 14 pounds and live for up to 30 years in the wild, but they don't get their distinctive white head and yellow beak until they're a little over 4 years old. Younger bald eagles are mottled brown and white with a black beak, and are sometimes confused with

We Don't Need Any More "Urban" Supervisors juvenile golden eagles, which look very similar Supervisor District maps show the basic Eagles are still protected under the Bald and Golden

The easiest way to tell juvenile baldies from juvenile goldens is to look at the legs. If there is feathering down the leg to the toes, it's a golden eagle. Juvenile bald eagles' feet and "ankles" are bare. Female eagles have the same coloring as males, but are distinguished from the males by their larger size.

Here are some fun facts about our national bird:

* Bald eagles like to play. They've been observed

* For optimum saturation of oxygen, when the eagle takes a breath, the air passes through the lungs

* The eagles' eyes are almost as large as those of a human, but their eyesight is four times keener than

* Their nests can be up to 8 feet wide and weigh

more than a ton. Males and females work together to build The problem is that the total number of registered their nests and the construction

* They can fly at speeds up to 35 miles per hour, and can "swim" by using their wings like oars to move them across the top of the water.

* Bald eagles are "diurnal" which means they're most active during the day — which in turn makes it easier for us to see them!

* The large birds prefer a diet of fish, but will eat just about anything they can find; and they're not above literally stealing meals out of the mouths of other animals like otters and osprey. Baldies also have been known to gorge themselves when food is plentiful, then sit quietly for several days while their gigantic meal is digested



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Rattlesnakes, continued

Spring is the period of greatest activity. Emerging from winter hibernation, they are hungry and looking for mates, as this is also the breeding season. During this time they will eat prodigiously. look for females to court, and will battle competing males. During these times of stress, and when trying to eat and when in their opaque stage several days before they are ready to shed, they are most likely to act in an aggressive manner when disturbed.

Snakes migrate to and from their winter denning site, so aggregations of them may be found during a short period of time during the spring and fall. Dens are usually in rocky outcroppings in the hills, or in deep animal burrows.

It is mistakenly believed that rattlers are active only during the heat of the day. Not only do they rest during the heat of the day, sheltered from the sun, they are adept hunters in the dark, their heat pits and sense of smell guiding them to prev.

During periods of excessive heat during the day, many diurnal animals become crepuscular (active at dawn and dusk) or partially nocturnal. Thus rattlers are more nocturnal in summer than during the spring or fall, and adults are more nocturnal than juveniles.

When out walking, hiking or camping, precautions should be taken from early morning to late evening, as temperature, season and humidity can all affect just when rattlers will be active.

Rattlers cannot move fast enough to overtake a person who wants to get out of its way. The only danger is that the person falls or trips in getting away, thus disturbing another snake, or falls towards the rattler rather than away.

Ratlesnakes vs. Dogs

Most bites to dogs occur on the face or extremities. The rattlesnake bite is generally "hemotoxic" which means that it exerts its toxin by disrupting the integrity of the blood vessels. The swelling is often dramatic with up to 1/3 of the total blood circulation being lost into the tissues in a matter of hours. The toxin further disrupts normal blood clotting mechanisms leading to uncontrolled bleeding. This kind of blood loss induces shock and finally death. Facial bites are often more lethal as the swelling may occlude the throat or impair ability to breathe.

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Effects depend on the amount of venom injected. Approximately 20-25% of bites are "dry" meaning no venom has been injected, 30% of bites are mild meaning they cause local pain and swelling in the bite area and no systemic symptoms, 40% of bites are severe with approximately 5% actually being fatal.

An elderly couple was watching television one evening. The wife said, "I am going to get a dish of ice cream now." Kindly, the husband offered to get the ice cream for his wife. "I'll write it down so you don't forget." she said.

"I won't forget," the old gent said. "But, I want chocolate syrup and nuts on it. So, I'll write it down," she replied."I will get you the ice cream. Don't you worry," replied the gentleman.

A few minutes later, the old man returned with bacon and eggs His wife said, "See, I should have written it down because you forgot the toast."

May 1 Horoscopes

Aries (3/21-4/19): Remember, the slow cycle of sun, wind, and rain can sunder even the hardest stone, so whatever you do, don't go outside.

Taurus (4/20 - 5/20): Don't sink to the level of those who would drag you down with their judicious criticism. Instead listen to those who praise you indiscriminately no matter what.

Gemini (5/21 - 6/21): The sun is in Virgo. the moon is in Capricorn, and Cancer is in Taurus this week. But you are still single. Cancer (6/22-7/22): Patience will see you

through life's most harrowing times. You can fake patience by sleeping constantly. Leo (7/23-8/22): Although Mercury is

rising in Venus this week, do not worry this is just a mystic-sounding horoscope term. No actual planetary collision is taking place. Virgo (8/23-9/22): You've tried everything

vou can think of to stop yourself from gaining weight. Unfortunately, you have your best ideas while eating entire coconut-cream pies. Libra (9/23-10/22): You will soon

encounter a strapping, sexy authority

figure, but be wary: In the early stages o

the relationship, it's better to just let him

give you the speeding ticket. Scorpio (10/23-11/21): You experience unbounded happiness and success in every area of your life this week. unless there is something fundamentally & irreversibly wrong with you.

Sagittarius (11/22-12/21): Your life story will bring much-needed happiness and aughter to the world, especially the hilarious ending.

Capricorn (12/22-1/19): Although the last few weeks have been classic examples of 'same crap, different day," anomalous ripples in the space-time continuum will allow you to experience the same crap, but on the same day over and over.

Aguarius (1/20-2/18): You will slowly come to appreciate the value of silence when everyone seems to want to say things you do not wish to hear.

Pisces (2/19-3/20): What you'll later choose to describe as a "through the looking glass" moment will actually be more of a "down a set of stairs, through a plate-glass window, and out into heavy traffic" sort of afternoon.



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Rattlesnakes: Friend or Enemy, or just a primal fear?

By Peter Kilkus

we've regularly had close encounters with hiking boots. rattlesnakes in spring and summer. We kitchen a couple of years ago. One just fitting long pants. slithered between our friends on our nothing quite like walking down a trail the day. and coming upon a coiled rattlesnake looking you in the eye – the cold flash of hand - use a stick or crowbar until you can adrenaline vou feel.

lower branches of some tightly packed bushes and zipped away without touching the ground as far as I could follow it.

Rattlers have good vision to at least 15 feet away under moderate illumination. The eyes are set so far to the sides of the head that they have only a limited field of binocular (stereo) vision. This may result in their moving their head from side to side as they try to get a good picture of something. Rattlers are too slow to outrun or dodge even the slowest of their enemies, thus the need for good longrange vision.

Though rattlesnakes are dangerous if provoked, they are generally not aggressive, and they also provide humans with a tremendous service - they eat rodents, other reptiles, and insects, and are in turn eaten by other predators.

rattler and half the rattlesnake was already shake out sleeping bags before use. inside the king snake.

notes that rattlesnakes account for more Rattlesnakes can swim. than 800 bites each year with only one to two deaths. About 25 percent of the bites doorstep as well. Snakes like to crawl are "dry," meaning no venom was along the edge of buildings where they are injected, but the bites still require medical protected on one side.

Do's and don'ts in snake country:

Be aware that startled rattlesnakes may not rattle before striking defensively. There are several safety measures that can

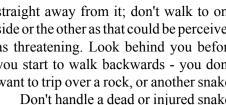
startling a rattlesnake.

Above the Berryessa Highlands when walking through wild areas. Wear you start to walk backwards - you don't of the body. Also note that rattles may not

When hiking, stick to well-used trails had an adventure getting one out of our and wear over-the-ankle boots and loose- Dead snakes may not really be dead. developed on the young.

shooting range last weekend. There's underbrush where snakes may hide during decapitated head of a rattler. Don't move planks, rocks or logs by

see under it. Do not step or put your hands I once chased a 3-footer off our road where you cannot see, and avoid and it did something I've never seen. wandering around in the dark. Don't reach When I threw a rock at it, it gave a loud into holes in the ground, rocks or trees, (kind of scary) rattle, then jumped into the woodpiles, abandoned buckets or tires.



Muscle contractions can still cause Avoid tall grass, weeds and heavy wounds, even when handling the competitors like gopher

Is it a rattlesnake?

Many a useful and non-threatening snake has suffered a quick death from a frantic human who has mistakenly identified a gopher snake, garter, racer or other as a rattlesnake.



A friend sent me a photo of a king Step ON logs and rocks, never over them, snake eating a rattlesnake on the deck of and be especially careful when climbing neighbor's house in Wragg Canyon. The rocks or gathering firewood. Check out king snake was tightly coiled around the stumps or logs before sitting down, and

Never grab "sticks" or "branches" The California Poison Control Center while swimming in lakes and rivers.

Be careful when stepping over the

When you hear a rattle or loud hiss. freeze until you identify where the sound is coming from; you don't want to accidentally step on it when trying to flee. Once you have spotted it, give it time to move away. If it doesn't, move slowly

assumes an instinctual defensive position has the added unfortunate trait of affected area imitating a rattlesnake by flattening its

on the tail. It has a triangular-shaped head. much broader at the back than at the front,

be taken to reduce the likelihood of straight away from it; don't walk to one include a series of dark and light bands side or the other as that could be perceived near the tail, just before the rattles, which Never go barefoot or wear sandals as threatening. Look behind you before are different from the markings on the rest want to trip over a rock, or another snake. always be present, as they are often lost Don't handle a dead or injured snake. through breakage and are not always Encouraging and protecting natural

kingsnakes, and racers will reduce the rattlesnake population in the immediate area. And, kingsnakes actually kill and eat

What to do if bitten.

Though uncommon, rattlesnake bites do occur, so have a plan in place for This usually happens when a snake responding to any situation. Carry a portable phone, hike with a companion who can assist in an emergency, and make sure that family or friends know where you are going and when you will be checking in.

The first thing to do if bitten is to stay calm. Generally, the most serious effect of a rattlesnake bite to an adult is local tissue damage which needs to be treated. Children, because they are smaller, are in more danger if they are bitten.

Get to a doctor as soon as possible, but stay calm. Frenetic, high-speed driving places the victim at greater risk of an accident and increased heart rate. If the doctor is more than 30 minutes away, keep the bite below the heart, and then get to the doctor as quickly as possible.

Do not try to cut the bite wound open or suck out the poison. Wash the bite area gently with soap and water

Remove watches, rings, etc, which used to bluff adversaries. A gopher snake may constrict swelling. Immobilize the

Rattlers tend to bask near an escape head and body, vibrating its tail, hissing hole - a rocky crevice or animal burrow and actually striking if approached too to which they can go when they feel threatened. Their other methods of A rattlesnake is a heavy-bodied, defense, in order of general preference, blunt-tailed snake with one or more rattles includes procrypsis (their protective coloring enables them to blend into the background especially when the snake is and a distinct "neck" region. The absolutely motionless); rattling; flight rattlesnake also has openings between the escaping down it's bolt hole or just away nostrils and eyes, which is a heat-sensing from the disturbance; withdrawing its pit. The eyes are hooded with elliptical body into a flat (along the ground) coil, hissing and rattling; drawing up into a Additional identifying characteristics striking coil, hissing and rattling; striking.

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Three elderly gentlemen were talking about what their

grandchildren would be saving about them fifty years

in business'," declared the first man.

"Fifty years from now," said the second, "I want them to

Turning to the third gent, the first gent asked, "So what

do you want them to say about you in fifty years?"

"Me?" the third man replied. "I want them all to say, "He certainly looks good for his age'!"



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say, 'He was a loyal family man'."

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4 Who's a Senior, What's a Senior?

get old because you stop playing!

expectancy, and leisure industries inside"? Surely only in community. The scramble to cater to bored retirees, many of only way to make friends with time is to us realize that there is still important, but stay friends with people. different, work for "elders" to do.

studies conclude that old age is humanity's Lake Berryessa Senior Center - a key greatest invention! It propelled the community resource that offers a broad development of culture, language, and range of social activities and support society. The deliberate enlistment of services. And this energetic group of grandparents into the work of rearing the Berryessa residents is redefining the young stands as a defining characteristic of definition of senior, not only because you human beings.

and communities.

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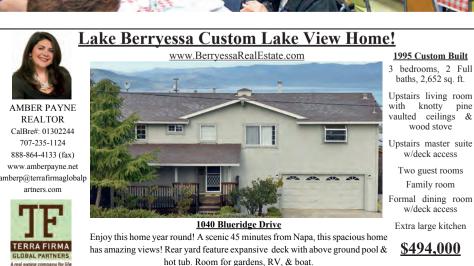
feel even worse. Almost no one I know One of my favorite sayings is: You says they feel like a "senior" even though don't stop playing because you get old, you they may be well over 60. Our bodies may give us unwelcome hints that we are aging, While insurance adjusters, health care the modern world gives us plenty of planners, and social security analysts note opportunities to keep from "being old". with trepidation our lengthening life How do we keep from "growing old

So how can we translate philosophy

What is old age for? Anthropological into action at Lake Berryessa? Through the only have to be 50 to join, but because of An African proverb says, "The death their positive attitude towards community of an old person is like the loss of a library". action. As with any volunteer Elders have always made important organization, the more active people who contributions to the young of their families join the more active things there'll be to do. The Center's great facility is available

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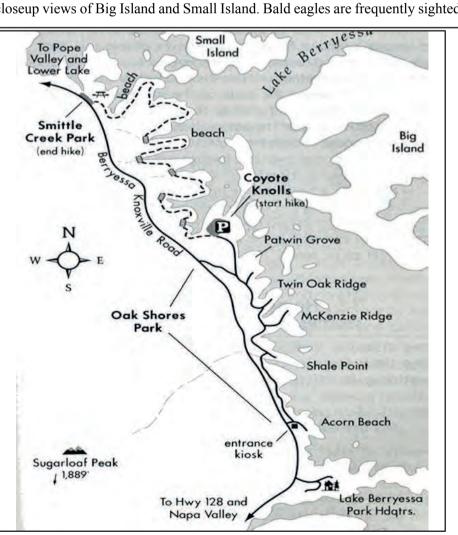






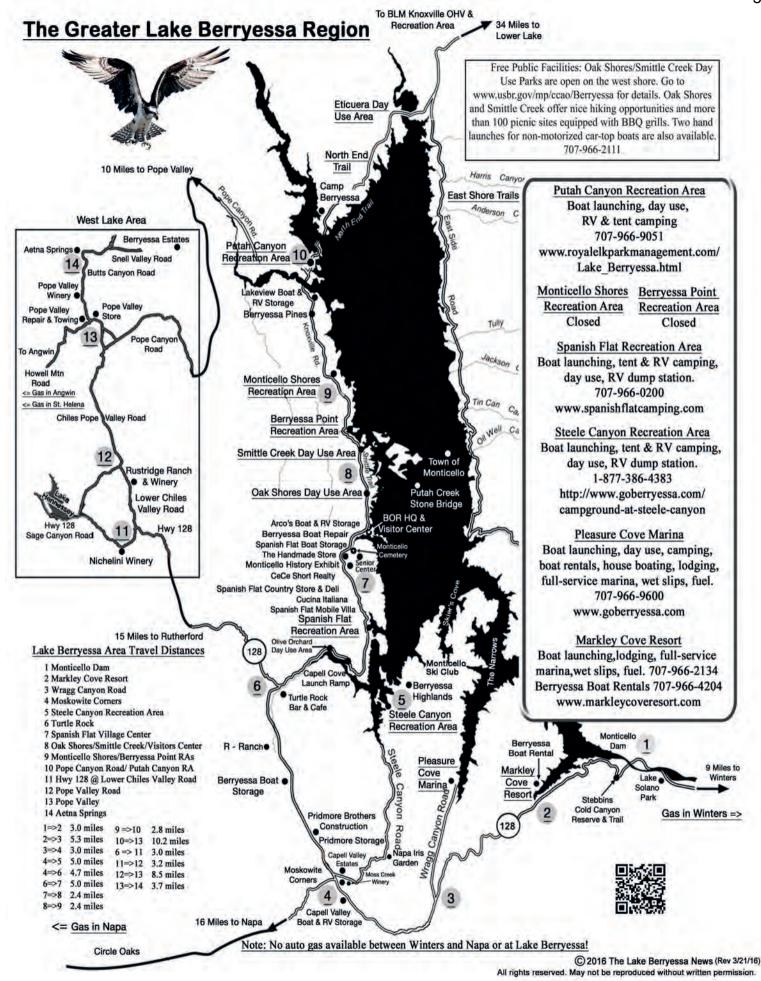
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Through the Government Looking Glass: What The WALROS Says!

(with apologies to Lewis Caroll)

The Bureau of Reclamation developed a Water and Land Recreation Opportunity Spectrum Users' Handbook (WALROS) which defines various forms of recreational settings. Lake Berryessa clearly falls into the Rural Developed Setting:

"A rural developed area is beyond a metropolitan area and the suburban ring of development. Rural developed areas may serve as "bedroom" communities for urban areas and may contain working farms, ranches, and towns. In this setting, primary road networks are common. Although development will be prevalent and common, the setting has a pastoral sense because of an interspersing of forests, water resources, hills, valleys, canyons, wetlands, open spaces, and agricultural lands. Naturally appearing shoreline edges are common, although various water controls or other structures are also

Recreation use, diversity, socialization, concentration, sense of security, and conveniences are less common than in a developed suburban or urban setting. The sights, sounds, and smells of recreation and non-recreation use are common, yet interspersed with locations and times when the urbanized visitor may experience a sense of tranquility and escape from everyday challenges. Examples of rural developed areas include areas with country estates, second homes and cabins, dams, power stations, primary and secondary roads, communication lines, resorts, marinas, small communities, full service campgrounds, county and State parks, farms, ranches, and small commercial and industrial establishments."

> "The time has come," the Walrus said "To talk of many things:

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A Path Forward To Revitalize Lake Berryessa: Fire The Feds!

by Peter Kilkus

We need a revolutionary strategy to stop the death spiral at Lake Berryessa.

The fifteen year failure of the Bureau of Reclamation is not based on simple ineptness, often complex ineptness is involved. But the failure is actually based more on a fatally-flawed policy at the federal level which treats Lake Berryessa as just another "lake in the country" to be dealt with as any other federal rural holding - independent of context.

Lake Berryessa is not another "lake in the country". It is a major economic. social, and recreation resource in an urban-proximate setting whose value to Napa County and the State of California is being utterly wasted. Lake Berryessa clearly falls into the Rural Developed Setting category in the government's own Water and Land Recreation Opportunity Spectrum Users' Handbook (WALROS). (See Back Page.)

Old-school environmental thinking. especially at the Federal level, is pointless in this situation. After 50 years of progress, we know how to implement sustainable practices for wineries. sustainable design outcomes for lake resorts, and sustainable rural development for the good of local people.

The Federal Government needs to be fired! "You're Fired!" We need home-rule closer to the source. Napa County should take control of Lake Berryessa again. The State should do everything it can to support economic development here.

Why isn't the Napa County Board of Supervisors outraged by the economic and social damage done to the County by the Feds? Napa County should stop sitting on the sidelines - NOW!

Why have the big guns in the Napa Valley tourism and financial industries ignored the perfect location to expand their businesses and Napa County's

Even Governor Brown wishes to see Mexico, for example. Economic Development could be a Berryessa are: resource for revitalizing an economically- 1. Napa County Board of Supervisors; depressed Lake Berryessa region.

Why does the City of Winters care no measurable economic benefit to Winters rather than once again being the 3. Visit Napa Valley, leader of the Napa gateway to a thriving Lake Berryessa tourism industry; which provided enormous economic 4. Congressman Thompson, needed to benefit to the city?

The rationale for revolutionary change is simple:

- 1. The federal government has shown its inability to successfully implement its own policies for decades, resulting in the destruction of a once-thriving region.
- 2. Knowledgeable recreation and hospitality companies have pointed out the flaws in the federal government's need to be changed before serious lake's investment potential.
- 3. The federal government (BOR or those flawed contract terms - which is a Berryessa. Let's start NOW! recipe for future lack of action.
- lake from 1958 to 1975. Many U.S. California's Napa Valley draws thousands - San Diego County, for example.
- "black hole in the County budget".
- 6. There are several precedents for the

reputation as a premier recreation BOR turning over management of the land destination? Your expertise is needed - portion of their water projects to local iurisdictions. Elephant Butte. New

more rapid progress at Lake Berryessa. The parties who could help create a The Governor's Office of Business and framework for this revitalization of Lake

- 2. The State of California through Bill Dodd, State Assembly/Senate member edge of a phony national monument with and previous County Supervisor for part of Lake Berryessa;

 - effect change at the congressional level;
 - 5. Sally Jewell, Interior Secretary, who could be the top-down advocate for this change and who is familiar with Lake Berryessa from her work on the National

Simply put, the federal government owes the Lake Berryessa community and Napa County BIG TIME. Napa County contract policies, policies which would owes the Lake Berryessa community BIG TIME for its lack of action over the companies would be interested in the decades. Napa County managing Lake Berryessa in partnership with Napa Valley tourism professionals is the best BLM) is unlikely to change its policy on opportunity for a Renaissance Lake

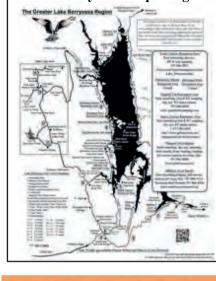
4. Napa County successfully ran the Why is Lake Berryessa Missing Out?

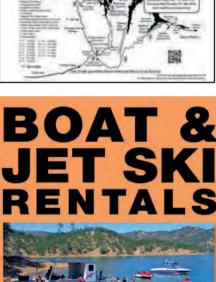
counties run major successful concessions of national and international tourists each year. Napa Valley continues to be one of 5. Napa County managing the resorts the strongest resort submarkets in again is a home-rule issue which solves California, driven by healthy demand... many problems the County has With the recovery and resurgence of the complained about for decades - cost of regional Bay Area economy, largely led public services with no financial return - by the technology sector, area residents Sheriff patrol costs, for example. One have increased discretionary spending supervisor infamously called the lake a related to travel, particularly for drive-to destinations like Napa Valley.





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of bumbling about by the Bureau of economically-balanced, people- a living wage and quality jobs, as Reclamation and the recent epic fail oriented communities. We know well as finding a balance between of the latest bid process, Lake how to implement sustainable agriculture, tourism, and rampant Berryessa voters, businesses, and practices for wineries, sustainable and destructive growth. We need residents are angry. Supervisor District maps show and sustainable rural development John C. Harrington the basic unfairness of the for the good of local people. requirement that all districts contain Diane Shepp understands these

relatively equal number of voters, issues and has broad public service That means the majority of the votes experience. She also has a vision for in our District 4 are in the urban the sustainable revitalization of areas of downtown Napa. Although Lake Berryessa and surrounding years ago and greatly benefited urban areas already have local rural regions. ***** governments looking after their I worked as a staff person in the needs, the rural unincorporated California Legislature for 12 years, areas like Lake Berryessa only have and have been a Registered County supervisors to stand up for Investment Advisor in Napa for them. We don't need another "urban more than 34 years.

and spoken with local residents society and economy about their concerns. She is also a professional politicians founder and board member of Napa investment bankers. Our current Vision 2050, a coalition of 14 District 4 Supervisor is both a concerned with professional politician and a banker. influencing current development He is also generously funded and/or policies to insure Sustainability of supported by other professional As a rural resident of the Soda interests. Canyon area, she understands the needs of people living in the for Supervisor, taught at Vichy unincorporated areas like Lake School, served on the Napa County

Berryessa. Sustainability recognizes the House board, and is a member of the interrelatedness of the economy, Napa Vision 2050 board, among society, and environment. It also many other civic and community Carl Bunch

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She has a long history of knows how to combine those needs protecting our natural resources, After more than a fifteen years to create environmentally-sound, and fighting for affordable housing, design outcomes for lake resorts, her on our Board of Supervisors.

I have known Diane Shepp Appointed by the Napa County Board of Supervisors in since we served together on the Napa County Grand Jury several from her deep and critical interest in the Napa Valley and her profound concern for its citizens' well-being. Diane has also served as chair of

the Napa County chapter of the California Grand Jurors Association as well as its state founding board member of the Napa Valley Opera House organization and is an active Inc., Ag 4 Youth-Upvalley Ranchers, Napa Vision 2050, member and officer of Protect Rural Protect Rural Napa and the Soda Canyon/Loma Vista Napa. Most importantly, perhaps. Diane has been involved in virtually all of the important land-use issues in the county as an environmental leader and spokesperson.

I believe that her election as supervisor will significantly the finite resources of Napa County. politicians and special financial advance the virtues of Napa County for and on behalf of the local citizens and the community at large. She will do her very best to ensure that the folks who live and work in Napa County will continue to enjoy the benefits of life in this beautiful part

About Diane Shepp

Community development and education are the primary focus of Diane's professional career as a teacher (Vichy Elementary), nonprofit administrator, fund developer, and

Diane served on the Napa County Grand Jury 2007-2008 and as Pro-Tempore of the 2008-2009 Grand Jury: President of the Napa County Chapter of the California Grand Jurors Association (CGJA) 2010-2011 and 2012-15; and the Vice President of the statewide

California Grand Jurors' Association 2014-15

2007, to the Napa County Commission for Arts and Culture, Shepp sat as Chair of the Commission 2009-2012. She has held executive positions with the John Muir Festival Center, the Napa County Arts Council, the Solano County Arts Alliance, the University Art Museum Council-University of California, Berkeley, Napa Emergency Women's Services and the Wildlife Rescue Center of Napa County. Active at the local, state and national levels. Shepp is a

Land Stewards. Shepp also served as a founding board member and Past President of the California Assembly of Local Arts Agencies: Past President of the Volunteer Council of the di Rosa Preserve: Art & Nature: Past President of Vichy Elementary Alternative PTA; served on the original faculty of Leadership Napa; and a former member of the National Assembly of Local Arts Agencies Leadership Committee.

Berkeley, and the Getty Leadership Institute. A charter member of the Golden West Women Flyfishers, Shepp enjoys fly-fishing, and travel when not in her art studio. Diane is a third generation Californian. She and her husband Alan have raised two daughters since moving to

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hundreds of thousands more are injured in bicycle collisions. Bicycle riders on public roads have the same rights and responsibilities as motorists, and are subject to the same rules and forces vou do not understand, namely regulations. The Lake Berryessa Chamber of Commerce has initiated a bicycle safety project since bicycles are a fact of life at the lake and both

Rule is: Exercise Patience! Slow Down and Think! The law says that people who ride bikes must ride as close to the Leo (7/23-8/22): Just when it seems that all right side of the road as practicable except under the following hope is gone, you'll discover a deep conditions: when passing, preparing for a left turn, avoiding hazards, if the lane is too narrow to share, or if approaching a place

bicyclists and drivers need to understand the rules. But the Golden

The driver of the motor vehicle that is overtaking or passing a bicycle proceeding in the same direction on a highway from never-before-seen strain of enormous pox passing at a distance of less than 3 feet between any part of the motor vehicle and any part of the bicycle or its operator. State law has never guaranteed motorists a right to pass whenever

where a right turn is authorized. Unfortunately, some motorists

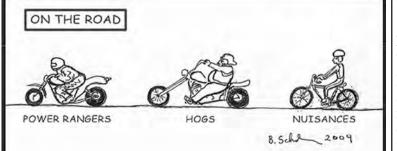
and even police don't understand cyclists' right to "take the lane."

or wherever they want. Motorists may only pass when it's safe to do so. Technically, motorists cannot cross a double vellow line to pass a bicycle. However, police have the authority to exercise discretion when enforcing the law and have consistently said they are unlikely to ticket a motorist who straddles the double yellow but take heart: the flame of too many video game systems plugged into a single outlet line to provide three feet of clearance, provided they do so safely and carefully.

Many traffic laws reflect the fact that some road users pedestrians, school children, emergency workers and road crews, for example - are especially vulnerable to passing motor vehicles. That's why drivers have special speed limits and special passing rules when approaching crosswalks, schools, emergency vehicles and road crews. Specifying three feet as the minimum passing distance extends similar protection to people on bikes.

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By Bill Scholer



May 15 Horoscopes

Aries (3/21-4/19): You're beginning to wonder exactly who is in charge of quality control for all those treasure maps. Taurus (4/20 - 5/20): You will abandon

your search for the wisdom of the East when it turns out to be devoid of cool kungfu moves. Gemini (5/21 - 6/21): You will suffer dire consequences after toying with powerful

Cancer (6/22-7/22): Having a girl pop out of the birthday cake was a fine idea, but you really should have given more thought to when the cake is cut.

untapped reservoir of hope deep within you which will soon be gone too. Virgo (8/23-9/22): You will make medical history this week as the first person to recover from smallpox only to die from a

Libra (9/23-10/22): Readers across the nation will finally be exposed to your literary genius and scintillating wordplay now that you have your new custom license plate. Scorpio (10/23-11/21): The flame of true love will finally gutter and die in your soul.

is burning bright in your den. Sagittarius (11/22-12/21): When you were child, you spoke as a child, yo understood as a child, and you thought as a child; so no real changes, then.

Capricorn (12/22-1/19): Love may mean different things to different people, but it's surprising how many definitions include heavy investment in real estate.

Aguarius (1/20-2/18): You thought true love would last forever, but vou're shocked to discover an expiration date printed on the back, just below the consumer warnings.

Pisces (2/19-3/20): You will fall victim to a dangerous personality disorder that makes you believe that the personal lives of celebrities are interesting and important.





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ි Lake Berryessa Hosts More Than Fifty Bass Fishing Tournaments

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During the spring months when the water temperature reaches 60 degrees, the male bass selects a location and fans an area about the size of a dinner plate with his tail. When the water warms up to 62 degrees or more egg laden-females begin to stage near spawning beds.

The male will coax a willing female to his nest hoping she will release her eggs, which he then fertilizes. A female will only deposit a portion of her eggs before moving on to another nest with another male. Each nest can contain the eggs of several females. This results in gene mixing, which is vital for the species to survive.

The actual spawning occurs when the water temperature reaches about 65 degrees and the height of the spawn occurs when the water reaches between 68-70. Water temperature determines how long the eggs take to hatch. When it is less than 65 degrees it can take as long as 12 days for eggs to hatch.

However, if the water temperature rises to 70 degrees, the eggs hatch in two or three days. This is important because the longer the eggs take to hatch the more vulnerable they are to predation from

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other fish or crayfish. Bluegill and other fish are constantly on the lookout for an easy meal. The longer the eggs are unhatched the more will be devoured. The male guards the young fry for several days after which they disperse. If the water temperature never

warms up to 65 degrees most of the females will still spawn although the success of the spawn is diminished

During cold springs the survival rate for the young is much lower than in warm months. Even under optimum conditions less than 1 percent of all the bass that are spawned survive. A typical nest will see approximately 2,000 eggs actually hatch but fewer than 20 fingerlings survive to 10 inches.

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and other small aquatic creatures. Normally by October the young bass are two or three inches in length and feeding heavily on small minnows or even other young bass.

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The later in the year the bass spawn also has an effect on the overall population. If they spawn too late the young bass go into the winter with little body fat and have a lower survival rate.

It's not only the bass that delay spawning when the water is cold Channel catfish

require water temperature between 70 and 85 degrees. The optimum for spawning success is 75 degrees.

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Two car garage RV/boat parking ites to Steele Parl Recreation Area \$380,000

Custom Lake Home bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths

1,713 sq. ft.

Open floor plan

Kitchen with island

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w/deck access

Two guest rooms

Family room

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w/deck access

Extra large kitchen

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Enjoy this home year round! A scenic 45 minutes from Napa, this spacious home has amazing views! Rear yard feature expansive deck with above ground pool & \$494,000 hot tub. Room for gardens, RV, & boat.

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Lake Berryessa Watershed Partnership 2016 Lake Berryessa Boater Outreach

Lake Berryessa provides drinking water for nearly 500,000 people and provides year-round recreation opportunities for tens of thousands of people each year. Lake Berryessa water also serves farmers and businesses downstream. Even the local Budweiser Brewery and Jelly Belly factory contract for Lake Berryessa water!

To protect this important resource, the Lake Berryessa Watershed Partnership formed in the early 1990s. Facilitated by Solano RCD, the partnership is a voluntary group of agency representatives, local non-profit organizations and private citizens who work together to educate boaters, campers, day visitors and other lake users about the importance of water quality and good personal stewardship practices.

- Summer Boater and Visitor Education Program: Every summer, seasonal interns provide person-to-person water quality stewardship education to boaters and shore visitors at locations all around the lake. Engine fluid pollution prevention through a free oil-absorbing bilge pad dispersal and exchange
- 2. Our larger-than-life mascot, Bilgee, the Protector of Clean Waterways who regularly visits sites around the lake.
- 3. Support in preventing introduction of the invasive quaaga and zebra mussles to Lake Berryessa through boat screenings and boater education;
- 4. Visitor information and stewardship tips in our free Lake Berryessa Map and Brochure and on kiosks located around the lake.
- 5. Hands-on education and restoration events: The partnership sponsors annual lake clean-up events to support World Environment Day in June and Coastal Clean-up day in September. These events focus on clean-up activities at specific lake sites, and are usually combined with post event celebratory picnics or BBQs.
- 6.Regular planning and strategizing meetings: The partnership sponsors quarterly meetings for stakeholders to plan program activities, refine program goals and strategize program funding.

Lake Berryessa GPS Locations

Lake Berryessa Geographic Locations	deg	min	deg	min	Resorts	deg	min	deg	min
East Side N to S, West Side S to N					S to N along West Side				
East Side Road	38	40.91N	122	15.80W	Markley Cove Resort	38	29.73N	122	07.50W
Gamble Ranch	38	40.49N	122		Pleasure Cove Resort	38	29.98N	-	09.69W
Green Canyon	38	40.47N	122	15.21W	Berryessa Highlands	38	30.96N	122	11.58W
Lakeshore Ranch	38	39.96N	123		Steele Park (Lupine Shores)	38	30.29N	-	12.12W
Harris Canyon	38	39.92N	122		Capell Launch Ramp	38	34.37N	-	13.23W
Berryessa Peak	38	40.07N	123	11.06W	Spanish Flat (Foothill Pines)	38	31.53N	-	12.86W
Running Deer Ranch	38	39.32N	123	14.94W	BOR HO	38	33.13N	-	13.80W
Anderson Canyon	38	39.36N	123		Oak Shores	38	33.37N		13.92W
Tully Canyon	38	37.43N	123	-	Acorn Beach	38	33.21N	-	13.86W
Tully Creek Ranch	38	36.88N	123		Foxtail Flat	38	33.48N	-	13.94W
Jackson Creek	38	36.46N	123		Shale Point	38	34.54N	-	13.91W
Tin Can Canyon	38	36.44N	123		McKinzie Ridge	38	33.70N	-	13.92W
Oil Well Canyon	38	36.07N	123		Twin Oaks	38	33.80N	_	33.97W
Gunn Ranch	38	33.64N	123		Patwin Grove	38	33.91N	-	09.69W
Gosling Canyon	38	33.80N	122		Coyote Beach	38	33.98N	122	7 - 7 - 7 - 7
Rockslide	38	33.13N	123		Coyote Knolls	38	34.06N	-	14.25W
Little Portugese Cyn	38	32.27N	123		Smittle Creek	38	34.55N	-	14.58W
Portugese Canyon	38	31.82N	122		Berryessa Marina (Blue Oaks)	38	34.81N	-	14.99W
Monticello Dam	38	30.80N	123		Rancho Monticello (Manzanita Cyn)	38	35.95N	-	15.57W
Canyon Creek Resort	38	30.76N	123		Berryessa Pines	38	36.40N	122	16.59W
Old Road Point	38	30.45N	123	10000	Putah Creek (Chaparral Cove)	38	37.96N	-	17.27W
Party Point	38	30.33N	123	- A A A	Berryessa Estates	38	30.96N	-	11.58W
Peek-A-Boo Point	38	31.01N	122		Derry Code Counces	30	20.2014	122	T.C.O.S.
Decker Canyon	38	30.08N	122		Lakeside Points: S to N	deg	min	deg	min
Wragg Canyon	38	29.03N	122		Mouth of Narrows	38	33.06N	-	11.05W
Kelly Canyon	38	31,16N	123		Floating Restroom	38	38.31N	_	09.62W
Olive Orchard	38	30.63N	123	_	Glory Hole	38	30.78N	122	
Sunrise Point	38	31.03N	123		Haines Cove	38	32.04N	-	10.43W
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Quarry Canyon	38	32.93N	123	14.00W	(Floating restroom)	38	32.54N	122	11.20W
Government Point	38	33.05N	123	13.31W	Meeks Cove	38	32.28N	122	11.26W
Goat Island	38	33.49N	122	13.10W	Skier's Cove (Monticello Ski Club)	38	31.78N	122	11.20W
Big Island	38	34.37N	123		Capell Cove	38	30.31N	-	12.81W
Small Island	38	34.78N	123		Neither Cove	38	31.11N	-	12.73W
School House Island	38	36.85N	123		Old Skier's Cove	38	34.14N	-	13.14W
School House Island	30	30.03IN	1,23	10.50W	Samuels Cove	30	34.14IN	122	13:14 W
Rock One	38	36.89N	123	17.43W	(Floating Restroom)	38	34.51N	122	13.11W
Pope Creek Bridge	38	36.98N	122	17.37W	Big Island Cove (Floating Restroom)	38	34.29N	122	13.62W
Rock Two	38	37.11N	122	17.56W	Small Island Cove	38	34.82N	122	13.99W
Indian Island	38	37.29N	122	16.96W	Yonker's Cove	38	35.17N	122	15.86W
Putah Creek Bridge	38	37.90N	122	17.35W	Big Flats	38	36.17N	122	16.13W
Boy Scout Camp	38	38.11N	122	17.60W	Trout Creek	38	36.84N	122	18.39W
La Pointe	38	38.69N	123	17.23W	Pope Creek	38	37.06N	122	17.63W
Barton Hill	38	39.24N	123	16.72W	Floating Restrooms	38	37.82N	122	18.15W
Gibson Flat	38	39.54N	123	16.68W	Putah Creek	38	37.88N	122	17.65W
School House Cove	38	39.75N	123	16.69W	Old Stone Corral	38	38.55N	122	18.12W
Buckhorn	38	39.90N	122	16.68W	Jerd Creek	38	39.19N	+	19.09W
Blue Monday	38	40.04N	122	16.62W	Stone Corral	38	41.16N	-	21.37W
Raccoon Lagoon	38	40.32N	123		Dyer Creek	38	39.64N	_	18.50W
K-6	38	40.37N	122		School House Cove	38	39.57N	_	16.41W
Poe's Gate	38	40,50N	123		Poe's Gate Cove	38	40.11N	-	16.44W
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