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# The Lake Berryessa News

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July, 2018

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Last week I went out on a patio boat with friends. All went well until we were halfway to the dam from the Steele Canyon Recreation Area. Suddenly our boat engine revved up and lost thrust.

The boat would only move forward at idle speed - about 2 miles per hour. Nothing we could do would solve the problem. So we turned around and idled for an hour back to the main lake.

We had a great time picnicking and swimming. Friends from the Highlands came over and tied their boat up to ours for a couple of hours of fun with their kids. But we finally had to start for home - at 2 mph!

It took 2 hours to idle from Skiers Cove to the entrance of the Steele Canyon/Spanish Flat cove. Then the wind kicked up and we were down to less than 1 mph. One hour later we finally reached the Steele Canyon launch ramp. Probably the slowest recorded tour of the lake.

I was struck by the similarity between our boat trip and the present process of revitalizing Lake Berryessa. The excitement of watching Napa County begin the process in early 2017. The ray of hope when the county received nine responses to its RFII..

Then the doldrums of Napa County negotiating a Managing Partner Agreement with the Bureau of Reclamation, followed by the engine failure somewhere in the process.

At a December 13, 2017 meeting both Lake Berryessa supervisors, Alfredo Pedroza and Diane Dillon, spoke positively about the potential outcomes.

Supervisor Pedroza said, "We've made great progress in working with the Bureau of Reclamation that will renew the vibrancy and allow sensible development

## Revitalizing Lake Berryessa - Idling Towards Home

at the lake." He also subsequently travelled to Washington, D.C to make our case to Bureau of Reclamation officials.

Both Napa County and Reclamation profess to be continuing the process with the positive intent to have Napa County take over management of all or some of the recreation areas. One hang-up seems to be the typical bureaucratic "off like a herd of turtles" syndrome. The other is the federal government approving 50 year terms for new concession contracts rather than the 30 year terms proposed by the Department of the Interior.

We've lost ten years of family recreation at Lake Berryessa as I documented in my January 2018 lead story "Holes In History" at Lake Berryessa: Simple Incompetence, Fervent Ignorance, Malicious Arrogance. Read it again if you want your blood to boil: www.lakeberryessanews.com/past-stories/holes-in-history-at-lake.html

So as we idle towards home in the process of revitalizing Lake Berryessa, it is instructive to compare the original optimistic schedule with present reality - another 4 months lost! At least on our slow boat trip we could see our destination getting closer.

Original Schedule  
November 2017: RFII Submittals Due  
January, 2018: MPA Authorization  
February, 2018: RFP Release  
April, 2018: RFP Due  
Spring/Summer 2018: Concessionaire Selection and Negotiations  
Modified Schedule (February, 2018)  
April, 2018: MPA Authorization  
May, 2018: RFP Release  
Modified Schedule (July, 2018)  
None  
(See Pg.7 for a historical perspective.)

## Protection, Preservation, or Private Profit?

Another article about "protection" of rural lands at Lake Berryessa has been published. The lands being "protected" are really just a windfall profit to a landowner who could never have conceivably developed that land. A state grant is paying the owner \$330,000. The owner still owns the land - he's just prohibited from "developing" it.

Even a prominent environmental group, the Greenbelt Alliance, agrees that: "Webber Ranch is in a remote area away from well-traveled roads along the massive federal reservoir. The Greenbelt Alliance rates this part of the county at low risk for development."

The Land Trust of Napa County and the State of California claim to have "preserved" another 722 acres along east Lake Berryessa, bringing the total amount of "protected" land there to more than 6,700 acres.

Napa County zoning regulations prohibit land being subdivided into less than 160 acre parcels so the total 6,700 acres referred to here would only support forty-one legal parcels.

This recent 722 acres of the Weber Ranch could only have supported four 180 acre parcels or four homes if anyone could actually "develop" the land. Most of this land is in areas that would be extremely difficult to allow construction.

The state funding came from the Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation Program, which uses state cap-and-trade money for projects deemed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, preserve farmland and support the state's food security. None of this applies in any practical way to this purchase.

The Land Trust claims the owner gave up a lot of value since he sold the easement for


quite a bit below the appraised value. This is simply spin-doctoring since appraisal of rural land is an inexact process anyway.

The general way of doing rural property appraisals is look at "similar" properties that have sold in the relatively recent past. A rural ranch might have only 10 similar properties within a 20-mile radius—none of which have changed hands in years. This is the typical situation at Lake Berryessa.





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The Center has been losing money for several years and we wish to stop that trend with an aggressive fund raising program. Please send your donation - large or small - with a check made out to Berryessa Senior Citizens, Inc. Please specify whether this is check for membership dues or for the Fundraising Drive and mail it to the same address as above.

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Historical Review: Two Years Ago - A Rosy Scenario Future

Napa County and the Bureau of Reclamation Consider Working Together to Rebuild Lake Berryessa

By Evan Kilkus (July 2016)

For those that are new to Lake Berryessa, at first glance it is hard to know anything is missing. There are two fully functional resorts with marinas, and three other resorts where you can take the family camping and boating. And of course, the lake itself is open and as beautiful as ever. But, when visitors get hungry, dirty, or tired, upon closer look one can see that the services for the public at Lake Berryessa are limited. Very limited.

Lake Berryessa is the 3<sup>rd</sup> biggest lake in California, and of the top 3 big lakes, it is the warmest and arguably the best for swimming and boating. There used to be 7 restaurants accessible by boat, 7 resorts with over 200 cabins or motel rooms, hundreds of campsites with water, power, not to mention gas docks, paved roads, green grass.

What happened? Many of you reading the Lake Berryessa News know the whole story. For those picking this paper up for the first time, simply put, in 2005 the Bureau of Reclamation had a changed vision for the lake. They wanted to tear everything out and rebuild it to supposedly create more access and amenities for the public. Now, 10 years and 3 failed attempts later, the BOR is raising the white flag and admitting their solutions won't work.

The BOR hosted another Community Forum meeting on June 22, 2016 with a brand new player at the table, and a brand new phrase repeated over and over. Napa County has joined the discussion, and a "Managing Partnership Agreement" (MPA) was the talk of the night.

"In many cases the better option is to partner with a local agency," stated BOR Deputy Regional Director Pablo Arroyave. "There's a lot of flexibility in the managing partner framework that we don't have at the BOR". Key contract terms including contract lengths, design plans, and financial models can be different when offered to resort operators through an MPA.

According to Molly Rattigan, Principal Management Analyst for Napa County, another substantial difference is the MPA allows Napa County to use brokerage firms to seek out resort operators and attract them to Lake Berryessa. The BOR is strictly limited to how it can interact with potential contract bidders.

"We got approval from the Napa County Board of Supervisors to enter into preliminary negotiations with the BOR", stated Rattigan. "We are going to start as soon as we can this summer. We are entering into this with the hope that this will work... we are cautiously optimistic and hopeful." Rattigan did bring up that "cost and liability is a concern," but there are several tax opportunities they are evaluating.

Arroyave stated that the Commissioner of Reclamation met with Napa County in April, 2016 and the discussions have been going well since. "It is possible to have a draft agreement by this fall (2016)", stated Arroyave. (July, 2018 reality - sigh!)

Onion Headlines

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'We Must Protect The Pure Aryan Bloodline,' Says Child After 9 Minutes Of Unsupervised Facebook Access

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Woman Googles 'Hangover Cures' In Case There Been Any Scientific Breakthroughs Since Last Weekend

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3) If your sister hits you, don't hit her back. They always catch the second person.

4) Never ask your 3-year old brother to hold a tomato.

5) You can't trust dogs to watch your food.

6) Don't sneeze when someone is cutting your hair.

7) Never hold a Dust-Buster and a cat at the same time.

8) You can't hide a piece of broccoli in a glass of milk.

9) Don't wear polka-dot underwear under white shorts.

10) The best place to be when you're sad is Grandma's lap.

11) Laughing is good exercise. It's like jogging on the inside.

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Say it's a beautiful day at the lake. Say you're a long-time fishing guide at the lake. Say a nice young couple hired you to take them out fishing. Say they had a fun day and caught some fish. Say the couple thanked you for the trip, paid your fee in cash along with a nice tip. Say you drove them back to your house with their fish in the live well of your boat to take some photos before putting the fish on ice in a cooler.

But when you pulled into your driveway a black SUV shot in right behind you, blocking your way out. Suddenly you were being interrogated by a local Fish and Wildlife Warden. Your fee and tip are confiscated. (They were marked bills.) You learn that the nice young couple are really undercover Fish & Wildlife agents! You get two tickets - one for not having your state fishing guide license, the other for transporting live fish from the launch ramp to your house.

Was this a new episode of CSI: Lake Berryessa? Was this fishing guide an evil genius behind a fish smuggling ring laying waste to the Lake Berryessa bass fishery? Or was it actually an egregious, and expensive, overreach by a state agency - a total waste of government time and money? Lake Berryessa residents are familiar with the last question since we've lived it at the hands of the Bureau of Reclamation for the last 18 years.

And why was this guide targeted? The Warden drives by the guide's house almost every day - sometimes on his way in the evening to check returning boaters' fishing licenses at the nearby Recreation Area launch ramp. He has access to fishing guide licenses. If he checked that this guide had not renewed his license, he could simply knock on his door to remind him to do so.

Why all this drama? Why this guide, not all the other fishing guides on the lake?

And under what bureaucratic policy and budgetary guidelines would a Fish & Wildlife manager give two undercover agents a paid vacation on beautiful Lake Berryessa, as well as pay two additional wardens to sting

someone who forgot to renew his fishing guide license?

And, ethically, how do two people lie about their motivation for that many hours? This was not a dangerous undercover operation against drug dealers or terrorists.

Previously fishing guides did not need a permit from the Bureau of Reclamation to operate on Lake Berryessa. The guide had tried to get a permit many years ago when Janet Rogers was Park Manager.

His check was returned saying he did not need a permit.

Some fishing guides who operated as sub-concessionaires at the resorts at that time, under contract to the resort owners, did pay a fee to the resort. Part of that fee went to Reclamation under the resort's concession contract. The guides themselves did not pay the BOR.

Since the new contracts with Markley Cove and Pleasure Cove prohibited sub-concessioners, there has been no requirement for fishing guides to have a permit from the BOR - just from the state.

This may change soon since Reclamation has just introduced a new policy regarding Guides and Outfitters. Although the new policy has only been implemented for boat rental businesses operating outside the recreation areas - one permit issued so far - it clearly applies to all fishing guides, and arguably to RV rental companies and

**1. Examples of uses that may be applied for using FORM 7-2540 (this form). The following uses of Reclamation's lands, facilities, and waterbodies are commonly requested by using this use authorization application. This list is intended to provide examples of such uses and should not be considered as all inclusive:**

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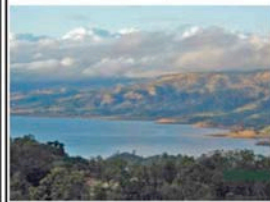
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The permit request form is: Use Authorization Application 7-2540 (02-2016), which includes Commercial Guiding & Outfitting as a use requiring this permit. The State of California's definition is appropriate:

"Guide" means any person who is engaged in the business of packing or guiding, or, for compensation, assists another person in taking or attempting to take any bird, mammal, fish, amphibian, or reptile.

"Guide" also includes any person who, for profit, transports other persons, their equipment, or both to or from hunting or fishing areas.

Reclamation officials did not respond to a Lake Berryessa News request for an implementation date for the new policy.

## United States of America: Born On The Fourth of July

You have to love a nation that celebrates its independence every July 4, not with a parade of guns, tanks, and soldiers who file by the White House in a show of strength and muscle, but with family picnics where kids throw Frisbees, the potato salad gets iffy, and the flies die from happiness. You may think you have overeaten, but it is patriotism.

(Erma Bombeck)

Liberty means responsibility which is why most men dread it. (George Bernard Shaw)

What is the essence of America? Finding and maintaining that perfect, delicate balance between freedom "to" and freedom "from." (Marilyn vos Savant)

We must be free not because we claim freedom, but because we practice it. (William Faulkner)

America is much more than a geographical fact. It is a political and moral fact - the first community in which men set out in principle to institutionalize freedom, responsible government, and human equality. (Adlai Stevenson)

Freedom has its life in the hearts, the actions, the spirit of men and so it must be daily earned and refreshed - else like a flower cut from its life-giving roots, it will wither and die. (Dwight D. Eisenhower)

We need an America with the wisdom of experience. But we must not let America grow old in spirit. (Hubert H. Humphrey)

My God! How little do my countrymen know what precious blessings they are in possession of, and which no other people on earth enjoy! (Thomas Jefferson)

## July 2018 Horoscopes

Aquarius (1/20-2/18): Although the secrets of heaven and earth are denied to you, the secret of pancakes turns out to be the use of sour cream.

Pisces (2/19-3/20): They say it's never to late to do something meaningful with your life, which is a nice idea, but you actually have about nine days.

Aries (3/21-4/19): Kindly strangers will do you a favor this week by removing your blindfold, taking away the stick, and explaining exactly what is meant by the word "pinata."

Taurus (4/20 - 5/20): You will finally meet the man of your dreams, which sounds like good news until you remember some of your dreams.

Gemini (5/21 - 6/21): It's simply not true that most people think you're an anonymous loser. In fact, most people have never heard of you.

Cancer (6/22-7/22): You will soon come into a great deal of money, resulting in your arrest and immediate dismissal from your job as a bank teller.

Leo (7/23-8/22): You've seen the evidence and spoken to eyewitnesses, but you still think that Bernese mountain dog puppies are just too cute to be real.

Virgo (8/23-9/22): The stars say that you will have a decent week, but will forget to buy milk on Wednesday and will wear the wrong shoes for the weather Friday. Seriously, there are around 200 billion stars in the Milky Way alone, and some of them can be pretty specific.

Libra (9/23-10/22): You'll finally discover what you were born to do when you turn out to be the only person at Gorilla Taco who fits in the combination gorilla/taco suit.

Scorpio (10/23-11/21): You've always wondered if you'd ever be in a situation where the wisdom contained in the lyrics of Hank Williams Jr. songs didn't apply, and for you, the answer is "not yet."

Sagittarius (11/22-12/21): You'll learn a painful lesson about accepting dares while drunk, but at least the residents of Niagara Falls will have something to talk about for a while.

Capricorn (12/22-1/19): You always thought ladybugs were such cute, innocent insects, but it turns out that in sufficient numbers, any creature can gnaw one's leg down to the bone.

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## Independence Day: Napalachia's Lake Berryessa

Karla Holland-Scholer

My husband Bill and I coined the phrase Napalachia to describe the area where we live in Napa County. I was born in West Virginia, and the word Appalachia for me brings to mind images of majestic mountains, apple trees, old-time music and craftsmanship in pottery, glass blowing and woodworking. I also think of a simpler way of life in which people were more connected to the land in a personal and intimate way. ...

Living in areas without natural beauty or a unique sense of place can be impoverishing. Many gated wealthy communities with all their groomed landscaping can be so lacking in real wealth. My husband and I love this area so when we think of Napa County (and Lake Berryessa) as having similarities to Appalachia we say, "We should all be so lucky!"

## NAPALACHIA by Bill Scholer



## Should Lake Berryessa Declare Its Independence?

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4 This story is reminiscent of a 2007 story of how public funds have been used to enrich private landowners - the land-locked Berryessa Vista property at Lake Berryessa across from the Capell Launch Ramp.

The primary market for landlocked properties, such as Berryessa Vista, is adjacent landowners who want more open space, or who package the land with an access easement across their existing property and then sell the land for development.

And then there are people who will buy anything on the speculation that some day it might become developable. The owners of the Berryessa Vista properties prior to the Land Trust action were in this latter category.

There were three private properties, plus BOR and BLM lands adjacent to Berryessa Vista. Sometimes people do have legal access over federal lands, but not in this case.

Three Napa physician-investors donated two-thirds of the land to the Land Trust in 2003. The Land Trust then purchased the rest of the property for \$113,000. The Land Trust bought out the third party at what was the then "appraised fair market value".

The Napa Regional Park and Open Space District bought the land from the Land Trust for about what they had invested in the property, which was about 1/3 of the supposed "appraised fair market value".

There's an unseemly feel of something unethical, if not illegal, about this shell game transfer of public funds to private

property owners using Napa County public money funneled through a non-profit land trust that then uses the money to "protect" other land many miles away.

To cap off this episode, nothing has been done with the property to allow public use for more than ten years. The following plan was developed by the Regional Park and Open Space District a decade ago and never implemented.

### Berryessa Vista Wilderness Park Improvements

Repair and develop connecting loop trails and primitive camping site with related facilities. The development of a camping facility would provide a public camping opportunity in a wilderness park facility very different from existing camping facilities in the Lake Berryessa area.

This property is now only accessible to the public by boat. The park is "appropriate" for hiking (Editor's Note - people can swim), horseback riding (Editor's Note - horses can swim), mountain bicycling (Editor's Note - bicycles can't swim.), native wildlife viewing, plant observation, bird watching, star gazing, hike-in camping and other related recreational activities. Gates are needed to control damage and erosion caused by off-road vehicles.

Install boundary and trail signs and gates by December 2009.

Work with partners to plan and complete connecting trails by December 2010.

Complete plans and entitlements for a camp site by the spring of 2011.

Complete primitive camp during summer of 2011.



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### Boater Outreach at Lake Berryessa Starting to Heat Up!

by Chris Ronco, Boater Outreach Intern - Solano Resource Conservation District

The Solano RCD boater outreach interns have been up at the lake spreading environmentally friendly boating practices and helping keep the water clean by educating recreators. So far, interns have educated nearly 600 people on matters such as how to correctly dispose of used bilge pads and what the penalties are for spilling oil into the lake.

Of all the surveys given so far, a quarter of them have been given to Solano county residents who rely on the lake as a drinking water source. Twenty-six percent of boaters have installed bilge pads on the spot, helping ensure that their boats will not contaminate the lake through oil leaks from boat motors. Interns are excited to get those numbers even higher. In fact, their goal is to surpass 700 boater surveys by August. If you cross their path this summer, please engage with them for just a few minutes and get your free boater kit for the 2018 season.



On Saturday, June 23, Bilgee made his grand debut at Markley Cove. Boaters were extremely excited to learn about bilge pads from a bilge pad itself! It was the hottest Saturday so far this year, but the breeze made it quite manageable. 77 boater surveys were completed at Markley Cove and Capell Cove. Oak Shores was surprisingly quite empty on Sunday. Nonetheless, we still managed to get 13 recreator surveys.

### Lake Level as of 6/27/18

The lake level is now at 430.6 feet - 9.4 feet below Glory Hole. It is dropping at its normal summer rate of 6 inches per week or 2 feet per month. Evaporation is at the normal hot weather rate of .25 inches per day or 1.75 inches per week. Water temperature is 80 degrees at the surface.

### Red Flag Warnings vs Campfire Cooking

On Red Flag Days, not only will open fires/campfires not be permitted, but additionally, charcoal or other open cooking fires will now also be discouraged. Basically, the only flame allowed on a Red Flag day is a propane BBQ.

The problem is that there is no actual law nor way to enforce this common-sense requirement. It is a request. Campers may not know about it in advance and would have no way to prepare their food if they only bring a charcoal or charcoal bbq.

Not every hot day is a Red Flag day. It often takes a combination of heat and wind. The official press release is copied below.

### Reclamation advises the public of use of ash-producing fires during Red Flag Warnings at Lake Berryessa

The Bureau of Reclamation advises the public of the risk of using charcoal and other ash producing fuels in recreation areas during Red Flag Warning weather conditions.

The status of forecasted Red Flag warning conditions for the San Francisco area including Lake Berryessa can be viewed at: [www.weather.gov/mtr/](http://www.weather.gov/mtr/) which will note any issued Red Flag warning days in Napa County.

A Red Flag Warning is issued for weather events which may result in extreme fire behavior that will occur within 24 hours. A Red Flag Warning is the highest alert and may be issued at any time weather conditions become dangerous.

During Red Flag Warning conditions, cooking fires using charcoal briquettes and wood campfires create embers that can easily be blown into dry vegetation igniting fast burning wildfires. Reclamation requests visitors to bring propane cook stoves to cook their food during their stay.

Park Rangers or Campground Hosts, and posted signs, will inform visitors of Red Flag Warning conditions upon entrance to recreation areas.

