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Rancho Seco Recreational Area Temporarily Closed to Day Visitors Due to COVID-19

Out of an abundance of caution, SMUD is temporarily closing the Rancho Seco Recreational Area to day visitors effective immediately after park operator employees learned a visitor that subsequently tested positive for COVID-19. SMUD anticipates re-opening the park to day visitors on July 6.

Through extensive contact tracing, it was confirmed that no other park guests were exposed to the COVID-positive visitor.

SMUD has been working with the park operator throughout the COVID-19 pandemic to put health and safety measures in place to protect the public and park staff.

SMUD and the operator will continue to honor camping reservations. Extensive health and safety measures remain in place in the camping area to accommodate social distancing, including a 50% reduction in tent camping capacity. The operator continues to use frequent COVID-19 cleaning practices in the park restrooms and has increased staffing to monitor the park.

The day use area of the park, the beach store and boat rental locations will remain closed until July 6.

Safety is SMUD's Guiding Principle. We understand restrictions like these are disappointing, but as a community-owned electric company, the safety and well-being of the public and the park's employees must come first.

For more information about the park, visit SMUD.org/RanchoSeco (/In-Our-Community/Visit-our-Recreational-Areas/Rancho-Seco)

About SMUD

As the nation's sixth-largest community-owned, not-for-profit, electric service provider, SMUD has been providing low-cost, reliable electricity for more than 70 years to Sacramento County and small adjoining portions of Placer and Yolo Counties. SMUD is a recognized industry leader and award winner for its innovative energy efficiency programs, renewable power technologies, and for its sustainable solutions for a healthier environment. SMUD's power mix is about 50 percent non-carbon emitting.



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