



November 2020 NEWSLETTER

MCWRA Dock Fee Increase

CONGRATULATIONS and a huge **THANK YOU** to everyone that helped provide opposition to the MCRWA proposed dock fee increases! **We did it!** And the new dock fees have been revised!

Your calls, letters, emails and support hit Monterey County hard and the opposition to their proposed increases was huge... and it made the difference. The proposed dock fees have been lowered and additionally spread over three years to produce a fee schedule that is far more realistic and fair.

While we are all pleased with this win, there is still much to do. NRW MAC will continue to follow and press Monterey about the tiered increase, verifying the new revised study, as well as demand their actual cost accounting and continue to object to expenses that had nothing to do with docks, mileage and rental expenses. Additionally, we are going to continue asking them to consider reducing costs through partnering with communities, as well as show what improved recreation service dock owners are getting for the increased fees.

The new revised fee proposal.

Updated Fees & Charges		
Fee Description	Current Fees	Updated Fees
Annual License Single Slip Fee	\$60.00	
-Year 2021		\$150.00
-Year 2022		\$200.00
-Year 2023		\$250.00
Additional Slip Fee	\$20.00	
-Year 2021		\$50.00
-Year 2022		\$65.00
-Year 2023		\$80.00
Late Penalty Fee (on 30 days past due licensing fees)	-	
-Year 2021		\$25.00
-Year 2022		\$50.00
-Year 2023		\$75.00
Appeal Filing Fee	\$25.00	\$175.00
Return Check Fee	-	\$40.00
Penalty Fee for Violations	\$100.00 (per day)	\$100.00 (per day)
Disposal Fee		
Single Slip	\$300.00	\$3,500.00
Additional Slip	\$125.00	\$1,750.00
Fee for Outside Disposal Services, provided as needed (Outside Service Provider)	-	Cost of service
Annual Log-Boom / Floating Barrier Licensing Fee	-	
-Year 2021		\$300.00
-Year 2022		\$400.00
-Year 2023		\$500.00



NRWMAC VS MONTEREY COUNTY

NRWMAC's litigation this past year is moving along, despite the pandemic, delays, and an extremely slow process. Monterey County's attempt to move the court venue into Monterey County was denied and the lawsuit will stay in SLO county at this time.

NRWMAC is aggressively pursuing legal action for past releases which would have given us a higher start level in many past years. We have expert documentation that shows MCWRA has violated their state permit in the past by releasing in excess of the allowed 180,000 AF/Y. MCWRA has routinely stated numerous conflicting reasons as to why they are allowed to release the excess amount with no supporting legal foundation or documentation.

We have well founded legal reasoning that we can win this conflict and are challenging these assertions both in court and with the California State Water Resources Control Board. This has been a long, in-depth legal research project that is both time consuming and expensive, and we must go through the drawn out legal process.

We, and you, can do little about Mother Nature, and we all know successive drought years mean low lake levels which do not support adequate and safe recreation. However we **CAN** do something about the Monterey County mismanagement of water releases and their not supporting Lake Nacimiento recreation as specified in their state operating permit.

Who to call / contact

For anyone interested in who to contact, write letters, emails or call, contact our California state representatives, CA Water Board, San Luis Obispo County Supervisors, Monterey County Supervisors, local papers and press too, and a "Who To Call" contact list is now located on the

NRWMAC website for addresses and contact information.

www.nrwmac.org/who-ya-gonna-call

Thank you for your support

We wish to thank everyone that supports NRWMAC, and as everyone continues to come up with more ways to help, we need everyone to get involved. Please share, forward and circulate this newsletter with your friends, family and anyone you know that uses or cares about the lake, wildlife, and future of the lake!

We need to inform people of this fight, and let everyone know why their funding support is so critically important right now.

NRWMAC needs volunteers to help with getting the word out, getting donations, sign-ups, handouts, information booths, fund raisers, t-shirt sales, and help at functions and events. You can help the effort by donating time, dollars, purchasing merchandise or signing up for events here: www.nrwmac.org/get-involved

Donate Today

Being the primary source of funding for these legal efforts, your donations, now more than ever, will make a difference!

Even if you have previously donated, we need your continued help, please donate any amount using the GoFundMe link, or privately using the Private donation link below, or mail a check to NRWMAC, PO Box 398, Paso Robles, CA 93447.

GoFundMe:

www.gofundme.com/lake-nacimiento-save-the-dragon

Private donations: www.nrwmac.org/save-the-dragon/donate-today



Oak Shores Fundraiser

Oak Shores is putting on a Chicken BBQ and Silent Auction on Saturday November 14th 1-3 pm. Details are below, please join us and Oak Shores for a fun and safe event.

Oak Shores
“SAVE THE DRAGON”
CHICKEN BBQ
AND
SILENT AUCTION

Saturday November 14th 1-3pm
Oak Shores Clubhouse
Drive-Up or Dine in at Oak Shores Clubhouse
2727 Turkey Cove

or

Heritage Ranch and River View Owners can pick up from
Hilltop Christian Fellowship Church
on the Hill in Heritage from 1:30-2:30

Chicken, Beans, Salad and Bread and cookies
Served social distance style and individual servings - \$20.00 Donation

Child hotdog plates for under 10 are available and will be \$5.00 donation.

All profits will go directly to the NRWMAC Fund to help them do everything they can to continue to “Save the Dragon”.

There will be a silent auction of items donated to this event at the Oak Shores Clubhouse on day of event. Pictures of items will be shown on Facebook under Oak Shores Recreation and Activities. Please consider donating an item or two for this great cause to help Save the Dragon.

Save the Dragon Apparel will also be available for purchase on the day of event.

For more info on this event call Janice 805-472-9404

RSVP REQUESTED PLEASE

Cash or checks only, Please make checks payable to NRWMAC

A huge thank you to Oak Shores and to the HCF Kingdom Crew for volunteering to BBQ for this event.