



## WHY ARE PARK FEES GOING UP?

Effective November 1, 2006 fees will be increased in several areas including camping, boating, RV storage, the Sprayground and vehicle parking at Santee Lakes. Why are the increases necessary?:

1. Santee Lakes is a "self-sufficient" operation that does NOT receive tax support or rate-payer subsidy. Padre Dam MWD customers do NOT subsidize the park through their water/sewer bills. The Lakes must cover all operating expenses through user fees. This is the reason for increasing fees and removing the parking fee difference between District residents and non-residents.
2. It costs \$2.1 million dollars per year to operate and maintain Santee Lakes. Santee Lakes is a safe place for families because it is well supervised and maintained with professional staff.
3. The cost of doing business in California increases every year. Utilities, staffing, security, etc...have a significant impact on our budget.
4. The Santee Lakes Vehicle Parking fees are low compared with other county and regional parks/beaches in our area. The survey below was conducted before the rate change was considered.

FACILITY	VEHCILES		ANNUAL PASS
	Weekday	Weekend	
All San Diego County Parks (7)	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 30.00
<b>Santee Lakes (New)</b>	<b>\$ 2.00</b>	<b>\$ 4.00</b>	<b>\$ 50.00</b>
Cabrillo Natl. Monument	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 15.00
Silver Strand State Beach	\$ 6.00	\$ 8.00	\$125.00
Cuyamaca State Park	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$125.00
Carlsbad State Beach	\$ 6.00	\$ 8.00	\$125.00
Lake Castais	\$ 8.00	\$ 8.00	\$ 80.00
Castaic Lake	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$120.00
Joshua Tree Natl. Monument	\$15.00	\$15.00	N/A

If you have any questions regarding park fees and/or the recent increases, please contact Allen Carlisle at 619.258.4762.

*Thank you for visiting Santee Lakes!*