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Eagle Nest Lake State Park Opens to Boating

EAGLE NEST, NM – Great news - Eagle Nest Lake State Park will be open to boating starting today! “With the new fishing season upon us, we want to give boaters the opportunity to safely get back on the water,” said Park Manager Mark Sullivan. Temperatures are still around the freezing point in the early mornings. If ice forms the lake may be temporarily closed to boating until the ice clears. The boat access courtesy docks are currently unavailable.

Located on the Enchanted Circle Scenic Byway, Eagle Nest Lake State Park is surrounded by the stunning scenery of the high mountains of the Moreno Valley. Anglers are reminded they need to possess a valid fishing license for the 2018-2019 fishing season which started Sunday, April 1st.

“Visitors must know, however, that lake water temperatures are very cold and are at or below 40 degrees. Visitors need to take proper precautions to minimize the chances of going into the water and should always wear their lifejackets,” Sullivan said.

State Park officials recommend you watch a video to learn steps to take if you fall into cold water. Check it out on YouTube: “Cold Water Boot Camp USA: 1-10-1.” To see more effects of cold water immersion, and the benefits of wearing a life jacket, access the Cold-Water Boot Camp video at: <http://www.coldwaterbootcampusa.org/videos.shtml>

Learn about safe boating by taking a FREE State approved boating course in class or online. Remember to check your vessel registration to ensure that it is current and have your Certificate of Number on your vessel before you go out on the water.

For more information, visit us at www.nmparks.com or call 1-888-NMPARKS.

Boat Safe and Boat Smart in New Mexico!

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