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## **Santa Rosa Lake State Park Closes Boat Ramp**

**Santa Rosa, NM** – Santa Rosa Lake State Park will close access to its boat ramp effective immediately. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers advised that low inflow of water combined with a recently completed release of water from Santa Rosa has drawn down the reservoir to extremely low levels. The closure will prevent property damage during launching and loading of boats; however, the lake remains open to recreation activities including shoreline fishing, canoeing, kayaking and other paddle craft use.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers manages the reservoir, the campgrounds and most recreation areas are managed by the State Parks Division. For more information on this closure, please call Santa Rosa Lake State Park, (575) 472-3110, or the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, (505) 342-3171.

State Park officials remind visitors to always wear a lifejacket when out on the water and to be aware of weather conditions. State law requires that you wear a lifejacket when on a canoe, kayak, or raft. The State Parks Division offers free boating safety classes on-line throughout the year. For more information, call 888-NMPARKS or visit <http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us/SPD/>. Additional restrictions and guidelines are in effect to combat the spread of COVID-19, check hours of operation and guidance before your trip.

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