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Storrie and Brantley Lake State Parks Open for Boating Activities

SANTA FE, NM – State Park officials are pleased to announce that Brantley and Storrie Lake State Parks will be open for all boating activities effective Friday, October 4, 2013 at 6:00 a.m. Due to significant rainfall, the lake levels have rebounded at each of the lakes. Brantley Lake was temporarily closed this summer due to recent flooding events on the Pecos River Watershed. Unfortunately, impacts of drought closed Storrie Lake since June, 2011, but recent precipitation has drastically improved the lake conditions.

“It’s great to have the water levels back for visitors to enjoy safely,” said Tommy Mutz, State Parks Director. “Come out and visit the lakes, we’re excited to have folks out on the water this autumn.”

Brantley Lake State Park is located just north of Carlsbad and is a refreshing place to boat, camp, picnic and relax. Enjoy an adventure in this surprising oasis in the high desert!

Storrie Lake State Park is conveniently located near historic Las Vegas and offers great opportunities for boating, fishing, paddling, and windsurfing. Choose from a variety of campsites with utility hookups for RVs and spend time with friends and family.

State Park officials remind boaters 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 and that all children 12 years old and younger wear a lifejacket while on the deck of a moving vessel. The State Parks Division offers free boating safety classes around the state and on-line throughout the year; for more information, call 888-NMPARKS or visit www.nmparks.com.

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Conditions are Right for Adventure at Your New Mexico State Parks!

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