



Reservoir	Max. Depth (feet)	Elevation	Shoreline miles when full	Surface acres when full	Capacity acre-feet	Distance from San Diego	Date Built
Barrett	160.88	1,615	12	861	37,947	42	1919-1922
El Capitan	197.00	750	20	1,574	112,807	30	1932-1934
Hodges	115.00	330	27	1,234	33,550	31	1917-1918
Miramar	114.00	714	4	162	7,184	18	1959-1960
Murray	95.00	541	4	198	4,818	11	1917-1918
Lower Otay	137.42	492	13	1,266	49,510	20	1917-1919
Upper Otay		492	5	20	1,266	20	1901
San Vicente	190.00	659	14	1,069	90,230	25	1941-1943
Sutherland	145.00	2,074	11	557	29,684	45	1927-1953*

\* Original construction ended in 1928 due to financial & political problems, began again in 1952.

For information 24 hours a day, call the City of San Diego Fish Line (619) 465-3474 or visit the City's web site at [www.sandiego.gov/water](http://www.sandiego.gov/water).



## General Information

**CONCESSIONS:** Concessions are open at El Capitan, Hodges, Miramar, Murray and Lower Otay. See other side for hours and individual phone numbers. Concessions sell bait & tackle, permits, refreshments, and some sell fishing licenses. Please call individual concessions for more information as schedules may change without prior notice.

**OPEN HOURS:** All reservoirs are open one-half hour before sunrise to sunset on operating days shown on other side and certain holidays (Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day) only and are closed otherwise. Miramar and Murray are open 5:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. (5:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. during daylight saving time).

**INFORMATION:** For your convenience, a recorded message detailing current activities, schedules, and fishing and hunting results, is available at all times (619) 465-3474 (465-FISH) or [www.sandiego.gov](http://www.sandiego.gov).

**CANOE/KAYAKS:** Private canoes and kayaks are allowed on all City of San Diego Reservoirs (except Barrett and Upper Otay) on days they are open for fishing and boating. Launch fee for kayaks is \$2.00 / day for single kayaks with one person, \$7.00 / day for double kayaks with one or two people, with the exception of El Capitan which charges \$8.00 per adult, \$2.50 per youth and \$4.00 per senior but no additional fee for the kayak/canoe. Launch fee for canoes is \$7.00.

### MISCELLANEOUS:

Dogs are allowed at all City of San Diego Reservoirs, however, they must be kept on a leash at all times and at least 50 feet away from the water. Dogs are not allowed on boats (private or rental). *Please pick up after your pets!*

Glass containers are NOT allowed at the City of San Diego Reservoirs at any time. Alcohol and smoking are prohibited at Murray only.

Inquiries regarding overnight accommodations and other visitor services and activities should be directed to the **San Diego Convention and Visitors Bureau (619) 236-1212**. Campgrounds and related information are provided by **County (858) 565-3600, State (619) 220-5422, and Federal (619) 673-6180** agencies. Information on State licenses, limits, and regulations is available from the **California Department of Fish and Game (858) 467-4201**.

**NOTICE:** Seasons, fees, and operating schedules are subject to change. In addition to a daily City recreation permit, a State fishing license or State hunting license (with Federal stamp) is required as appropriate. In addition to the Rules and Regulations posted at each reservoir, all State and Federal regulations must be observed at all times.



## City of San Diego Reservoirs and Recreation Program



City of San Diego  
Public Utilities Department

## Introduction

What you may know as a place for recreational fun, is also a source for our drinking water. Our lakes are actually water supply reservoirs, which are part of the overall drinking water system. The City has offered recreation at its reservoirs since 1913, and is widely recognized as a leader in the multiple use of water supply reservoirs. The reservoirs and the recreation programs are operated by the Public Utilities Department's Water Operations Branch.

The San Diego Public Utilities Department's top priority is to ensure the safety of San Diego's public water supply. We also need you to help keep our water supply clean; properly dispose of your trash in the appropriate bins. Please check out the insert for more ways you can help protect water quality.

## Schedules & Directions

**BARRETT:** Open for fishing and boating on a Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday schedule from May through September only. Reservations are made one month at a time through Ticketmaster (800-745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com), beginning the second Tuesday of the prior month at 7:00 p.m. One reservation covers up to 4 persons and includes a boat and motor. From Interstate 8, go south on Japatul Valley Rd, left on Lyons Valley Rd, 6 miles to the gate. From Highway 94, go north on Honey Springs Rd, right on Lyons Valley Rd, 1.7 miles to the gate. No concession services available. Waterfowl hunting is available mid-October through January on a Wednesday and Saturday schedule.

**EL CAPITAN:** Lake is open Thursday through Monday. Concession days and hours of operation are subject to change without prior notice. Boat rentals are available only on days the concession is open. Concession phone: 619-443-4110. Lake is open for boating and fishing for bass, bluegill, blue and channel catfish, crappie and sunfish, and for picnicking on a Thursday through Monday schedule (**November - April**) and Monday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday (**May - October**). Closed on Tuesday and Wednesday. Water contact activities (jetskiing, water-skiing, wakeboarding, etc.) are permitted on Sundays only (**November - April**) and on Thursday through Sunday (**May - October**). All persons entering reservoir property must pay daily use permit fee. From Interstate 8 take Lake Jennings Park Rd. north, right on El Monte Rd. Nearest camping is at Lake Jennings County Park. To find out if the max boat limit has been reached call (619) 668-2770.



**HODGES:** Lake is open on Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays. Concession days and hours of operation are subject to change without prior notice. Boat rentals are available only on days the concession is open. Concession phone: 760-432-2023. Lake is open for picnicking, hiking, boating and fishing for bass, bluegill, crappie, and channel catfish, on a Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday schedule February through October only. From Interstate 15 follow Via Rancho Parkway west to Lake Drive, go south to the entrance. Nearest camping is at Lake Dixon.

**MIRAMAR:** Lake is open seven days a week. Concession days and hours of operation are subject to change without prior notice. Boat rentals are available only on days the concession is open. Concession phone: 858-527-1722. Lake is open year-round seven days a week for boating and fishing for bass, bluegill, sunfish, and channel catfish. Open for picnicking, walking, and jogging, etc., seven days a week year-round. From Interstate 15 go east on Mira Mesa Blvd, south on Scripps Ranch Blvd, then east on Scripps Lake Dr to entrance. Nearest camping is at Lake Dixon.

**MURRAY:** Lake is open seven days a week. Concession days and hours of operation are subject to change without prior notice. Boat rentals are available only on days the concession is open. Concession phone: 619-466-4847. Lake is open year-round seven days a week for boating and fishing for bass, crappie, bluegill, channel catfish, and trout (stocked by Fish & Game November through March). Open for walking, jogging, picnicking, etc., seven days a week year-round. From Interstate 8 take Lake Murray Blvd, left on Kiowa Dr. Alcohol and smoking are prohibited at this reservoir. Nearest camping is at Kumeyaay Lake.

**LOWER OTAY:** Lake is open on Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays. Concession days and hours of operation are subject to change without prior notice. Boat rentals are available only on days the concession is open. Concession phone: 619-397-5212. Lake is open for picnicking, hiking, boating and fishing for bass, bluegill, crappie, sunfish, channel, white and blue catfish on a Wednesday, Saturday, and Sunday schedule year round. From Interstate 805 take Telegraph Canyon Rd exit east to Wueste Rd, then south to entrance. Nearest camping is Sweetwater Summit County Park.

### SAN VICENTE: Closed.

The San Diego County Water Authority is overseeing the construction of the San Vicente Dam Raise Project which is estimated to be complete in 2012. Refilling the reservoir will take another two to five years. Reservoir should reopen for recreation between 2014 and 2017. As part of the project, the Water Authority will construct a new marina which will reduce boat launching wait times, provide picnic and shade areas, and increase the parking spaces and areas for boat preparation. For information on the Emergency Storage Project and the San Vicente Dam Raise Project, please check the San Diego County Water Authority's web site at www.sdcwa.org or call their toll-free information line at (877) 426-2010.

**SUTHERLAND:** No concession services at this time. No rental boats. Open for picnicking, hiking, boating and fishing for bass, bluegill, crappie, sunfish, channel and blue catfish on Saturdays and Sundays from March through September. Mondays are open for shore fishing and float tubes only, no boats. Open for turkey hunting for both the spring and fall seasons. From Highway 78, take Sutherland Dam Rd. north to the entrance. Nearest camping is at William Heise or Dos Picos County Parks.

**UPPER OTAY:** No concession services at Upper Otay. Open for fishing for bass and catfish on a Wednesday, Saturday, and Sunday schedule, year round. The access road is closed to vehicles November through January and during very rainy periods. No boats allowed on Upper Otay; float tubes are permitted. Catch and release for all fish, use of artificial lures with barbless hooks only. Purchase permits from Iron Ranger pay station.

## Hunting

Seasonal waterfowl hunting is allowed at Barrett Reservoir. The season runs from mid-October through January. Daily reservations for the entire season are sold the first or second Saturday in October at the City facility next to the San Vicente Dam.

Seasonal turkey hunting at Sutherland for spring season runs from the last Saturday of March through first Saturday of May and fall season is in November.

For more information or to be added to either mailing list, please call (619) 668-2050, or send email to water@sandiego.gov and specify which list you wish to be added to.

## Special Events

If you are interested in holding a special event (run, walk, reunion, birthday party, group picnic, etc.) please contact the City Reservoirs office for a request form and fee schedule (619) 668-2050 or email water@sandiego.gov.

## Daily Permit Fees

FISHING	PRICE
Adults.....	8.00
Youth (age 8-15).....	2.50
Senior (65 and older).....	4.00
<i>(Seniors must have photo ID with date of birth)</i>	
Children (age 7 & younger).....	Free
State Resident Fishing Lic. (2011 Annual).....	43.46
Resident/Non-Resident Lic. (2-Day).....	21.86
Resident/Non-Resident Lic. (1-Day).....	14.04
<b>Concessions at Hodges and Otay have licenses.</b>	

### BOATING

Rowboats (rental) all day.....	20.00
Half Day (noon to closing).....	12.50
Deposit.....	25.00
Motorboats (2 hr minimum).....	25.00
Each additional hour.....	7.00
Maximum (all day).....	53.00
Deposit.....	60.00
Kayaks Single Person (rental) 1 hr.....	6.50
Deposit.....	13.00
Kayaks Tandem (rental) 1 hr.....	10.00
Deposit.....	20.00

### PRIVATE BOATS

Fishing/skiing/PWC/Canoes.....	7.00
Kayak (Single) except at El Capitan.....	2.00
Kayak (Double) except at El Capitan.....	7.00

### WATER CONTACT (water-skiing, wakeboarding, personal watercraft/jet skis, towing inflatables)

Adults.....	10.00
Youth (age 8-15).....	5.00

### BARRETT FISHING

Reservation & Motorboat.....	80.00
Adult or Youth.....	20.00

***It is your responsibility to learn and observe all rules and regulations pertaining to recreational activities at the City's reservoirs. Violators are subject to citation, eviction from premises (without refund) and restriction from future use of the reservoir.***