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## Log On For Outdoor Fun

Scenic Lake Oroville, the recreational gem that stores water for much of California, now has its own web site.

Boaters, campers, anglers, hikers, bikers, equestrians, bird-watchers -- anyone who loves the outdoors -- will discover Lake Oroville's many attractions by logging on to <http://www.dwr.water.ca.gov/LakeOroville>

The web site was created by the Department of Water Resources which is continuing to develop recreational facilities at Lake Oroville.

Lake Oroville was created in the 1960s when DWR began building the State Water Project that delivers water to public agencies in Northern California, the San Francisco Bay Area, the San Joaquin Valley, the Central Coast and Southern California.

Oroville Dam, the nation's tallest at 770 feet, has itself become a tourist attraction. The Lake Oroville Visitors Center, operated by DWR and the Department of Parks and Recreation, provides information, films and displays on how the dam was built and how the State Water Project operates. The Visitors Center, now enhanced by the Lake Oroville web site, is a good first stop for information from how hydroelectric power is produced to where to rent a houseboat.

Colorful and informative, DWR's new web site shows how to get to Lake Oroville (75 miles north of Sacramento) and describes the many attractions around its 167-mile shoreline.

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*The Department of Water Resources operates and maintains the State Water Project, provides dam safety and flood control and inspection services, assists local water districts in water management and water conservation planning, and plans for future statewide water needs. The State Water Project provides water to two-thirds of California's population.*

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