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DWR Director Snow Joins Riverbend Park Dedication Ceremony

SACRAMENTO –Department of Water Resources (DWR) Director Lester A. Snow will be a featured speaker at the Friday, May 5, 2006, dedication of Oroville’s Riverbend Park.

Director Snow will share the speaker’s platform with a number of invited dignitaries, including U.S. Representative John Doolittle, Chico State Assemblyman Rick Keene, Richvale State Assemblyman Doug LaMalfa, and Oroville Mayor Gordon Andoe.

The Riverbend dedication begins at 1 p.m., signaling the long-anticipated public opening of Oroville’s newest park project. The ceremony kicks-off a busy agenda of park activities, including the week-long “Feather Fiesta Days.”

Phase 1 construction of improvements to the existing Riverbend Park began after the State Water Contractors (SWC), DWR, the City of Oroville, Feather River Recreation and Parks District, and American Rivers, signed an agreement to get the project started. DWR’s contribution through this partnership has totaled \$5.2 million. Support for the agreement grew out of the Oroville Facilities relicensing effort.

Future plans for Riverbend include an aquatic facility with an Olympic-size swimming pool and waterslides, restaurants, conference centers, and a science research and education center.

Other projects discussed for the Riverbend location include an amphitheater and an upscale hotel.

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