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**DWR Hosts Lake Del Valle ‘CAST for Kids’ on Saturday, June 13**

**SACRAMENTO** -- The Department of Water Resources (DWR) will sponsor a C.A.S.T. (Catch a Special Thrill) for kid’s event on Saturday, June 13, at Alameda County’s Lake Del Valle.

DWR and its partners -- California Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR), Department of Boating and Waterways (DBW), Department of Fish and Game (DFG), Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) and the C.A.S.T. for Kids Foundation -- organize the events to give disabled and disadvantaged youngsters a day of outdoor adventure.

The event will run from 7 a.m. through 1 p.m. with about 30 young people taking part. Participants will get fishing lessons, be taught boating safety and fishing ethics, learn about natural resources, win prizes and enjoy other activities and entertainment.

The following have contributed either time or in-kind services to support Saturday’s CAST program:

East Bay Regional Park District; U.S, Fish and Wildlife Service; California Striped Bass Association; West Delta Chapter, California Water Service Company; Castro Valley Bass Classics; Delta Bass Tactics Club; Delta Field Division Bar-B-Que Crew; Down Syndrome Connection; Eagle Claw; Easter Seals; Extreme Fishing Guide; Glenda & Les Porter; Hollister’s Bait and Tackle; Home Depot, Hayward; Ken McCloud and Family; Martin Fuentes; Oakland Raiders; Patterson Apricot Fiesta; Plano Tackle Systems; San Diego Chargers; Steiner Prints; Steve and Lisa Lorentz; Take Me Fishing; Target, Manteca; Tri-Valley SEPLA; Wal-Mart, Manteca; Wal-Mart, Stockton; Wal-Mart, Tracy; Walton’s Pond, Zebco and Zone 8 Lions.

In 2004, DWR, DPR, DBW and DFG signed a Memorandum of Agreement which

provides a framework to create a partnership between the C. A.S.T. Foundation and the State of California. The partnership goal is for the state to support the C.A.S.T. program and expand opportunities for disabled and disadvantaged youth to use and enjoy public land and water throughout State Water Project recreation facilities.

Directions to Lake Del Valle

Del Valle Regional Park is located on Del Valle Road off Mines Road south of Livermore. Exit I-580 eastbound or westbound in Livermore at North Livermore Avenue. Head south through town, North Livermore Avenue becomes South Livermore Avenue. About 1.5 miles outside town, turn right at Mines Road, go about 3.5 miles and continue straight on Del Valle Road. The park entrance is about four miles ahead.

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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.

Contact the DWR Public Affairs Office for more information about DWR's water activities.