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DWR Announces ‘Catch A Special Thrill’ for Kids Event at Lake Oroville SRA

SACRAMENTO – A day of outdoor recreation and fishing for disabled children will be held at Lake Oroville State Recreation Area at the Bidwell Canyon Boat Launch in Butte County on Saturday, June 10, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Event sponsors are the Department of Water Resources (DWR), Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR), Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (Cal-Fire), Department of Fish and Wildlife (DFW), and the “Catch A Special Thrill” for Kids Foundation.

Forty Children will receive their own fishing rod, reel, and tackle box before heading out on Lake Oroville to enjoy fishing with top anglers. They will also learn about boating safety, and the preservation of California’s water resources.

After a morning of fishing, the young anglers will be treated to a BBQ luncheon. An awards ceremony will wrap up the day.

The children are from local schools and programs in Butte, Yuba, and Sutter counties. Many of them are participants in Oroville’s annual Special Olympics, while others come from Yuba’s “Family Soup” program, a program that provides support to families of children with special needs.

Local sponsors include Pacific Gas and Electric, Rite Aid, Taco Bell, Chico Area Flyfishers, Lake Oroville Marina, Bidwell Marina, Pro Pacific Fresh, Kiwanis International, Feather River Recreation & Parks District, Lundberg Family Farms, Blue Diamond, Chico Bags, The Home Depot, U.S. Forest Service, First Responders, Bass Pro Shops, Northam Family Distributors, Starbucks, E-Z Pac Bait, Hof Brau, Northwester Lineman College, Forebay Aquatic Center, Best Bass Tournaments, Bidwell Bar Association, and PepsiCo.

The C.A.S.T. program is intended to expand opportunities for young persons with special needs to use and enjoy public land and water throughout State Water Project recreation facilities.

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