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Driven by Popular Demand, State Park Seeks More Volunteers as Canoe Tour Guides and Docents in the Delta

BRANNAN ISLAND – Guided Delta canoe tours at Brannan Island State Recreation Area were so popular in 2005 that California State Parks is seeking volunteers to help meet the demand in 2006.

Volunteers enjoy an opportunity to share their knowledge and appreciation of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta with park visitors in a friendly, relaxed setting.

Volunteer canoe tour guides will receive training in canoeing, first aid, CPR, natural and cultural resource interpretation, and leading tours. Prospective guides will need to attend all four guide training sessions being held March 12, 25, 26 and April 2. Upon completion, volunteers are expected to lead at least three tours a season. The park's spring season runs March through May.

California State Parks is also looking for volunteer docents to help in the visitor center and lead walks, hikes and school group programs, as well as in many other interpretive and educational functions.

The interpretive and educational programs in state parks near the Delta are co-sponsored by California State Parks and the Delta Natural History Association, a non-profit organization.

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