CA State Parks Extends the Public Comment Period for the Folsom Lake SRA Preliminary General Plan and Draft EIR/EIS and will Hold Another Public Meeting

WHO: California State Parks and the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation

WHAT: They will extend the public comment period through April 30, 2008. The original 45-day public comment period was scheduled to end on March 24, 2008. The extension is in response to public requests for additional time to review and comment on the document. An additional public meeting will be held in El Dorado Hills. Previous public meetings were held in March 2008 in Granite Bay and the City of Folsom. The Preliminary General Plan and Resource Management Plan will guide management of Folsom Lake State Recreation Area and the Folsom Powerhouse State Historic Park.

WHEN: The new public comment deadline is April 30, 2008. An additional public meeting will be held on April 16, 2008 from 7-9pm.

WHERE: Lakeview Elementary School at 3371 Brittany Way, El Dorado Hills, CA 95762.

BACKGROUND: Work on the Folsom Lake SRA General Plan was initiated in June 2002. Stakeholder meetings and a public workshop were held in the fall of 2002 regarding issues the plan should address. A second public workshop was held in June 2003 regarding alternate management concepts for the two park units. A Resource Inventory was prepared regarding the existing conditions within the two park units and a visitor survey was conducted in 2004. The Preliminary Plan and Draft EIR/EIS are programmatic documents which provide goals and guidelines for the State Recreation Area and State Historic Park. Comments must be received or postmarked by April 30, 2008 and sent to:

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The Plan and DEIR/DEIS will be available for viewing and download on the California State Parks Folsom Lake SRA General Plan website at: http://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=22322

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