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Bidwell Canyon Marina Concession Opportunity

LAKE OROVILLE STATE RECREATION AREA – California State Parks is now accepting proposals for the operation of the Bidwell Canyon Marina at Lake Oroville State Recreation Area in Butte County.

The Request for Proposals (RFP) is being issued for a 30 year concession contract to provide a high-quality marina operation, promoting safe and enjoyable recreational goods and services at reasonable prices for a variety of park users.

Proposals are due by 2:00 p.m., on August 4, 2009. A copy of the complete RFP may be purchased for \$25 or a complimentary copy may be downloaded from the California State Parks website at <http://www.parks.ca.gov/concessions>

Interested parties are encouraged to attend an optional pre-proposal meeting on May 11, 2009 at 5:30 p.m., at the Bidwell Canyon Recreational Hall. The hall is located at the Bidwell Canyon Recreation Area off of Arroyo Drive on Kelly Ridge. An optional site tour will occur after the meeting. .

The current concession operator reported over \$3 million in gross sales during fiscal year 2007/08. The existing 40 year contract is due to expire December 2009. The new RFP is in compliance with State law that requires a competitive bid process open to all parties for concession operations.

For more information or to purchase an RFP, please call Laurie Blankenship at (916) 654-8924 or e-mail lblan@parks.ca.gov.

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