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Storm Debris and 5 MPH Speed Limit at Folsom Lake

FOLSOM – California State Parks asks visitors to be cautious while enjoying Folsom Lake, as storm debris from the past week's storms has left submerged and partially submerged trees, logs and other associated debris spread across the Lake. The debris drifted downstream from the North and Middle Forks of the American River. There will a continuation of the **5 mph maximum speed limit** originally established due to low water conditions. The **5 mph maximum speed limit** will continue indefinitely until conditions improve.

“Visitors are welcome to come out and enjoy the lake; *it* should be a beautiful weekend and most of our ramps will be open” said Gold Fields District Superintendent Matthew Green of California State Parks. “We want to make sure everyone is aware of the conditions and urge people to exercise extreme caution and patience both for the safety of visitors and the safety of their watercraft.”

The 5 mph speed limit is necessary because the floating debris is not always visible on the surface but there could be large trees and logs floating on or just below the water's surface, placing boats in danger of being scratched or worse in some of the more shallow areas. Boat ramps at Granite Bay, Folsom Point and Browns Marina should be open along with all picnic and day use areas.

Folsom Lake State Recreation Area office is at 7755 Folsom-Auburn Road in Folsom. For more information, call (916) 988-0205.

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