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## California State Parks Issues Statement on Fatal Shooting at Malibu Creek State Park

SACRAMENTO, Calif. -- California State Parks today released the following statement regarding the fatal shooting Friday of Tristan Beaudette while camping at Malibu Creek State Park:

“Our hearts go out to the victim and his family during this difficult time. The safety of park visitors is our top priority, and California State Parks is working closely with Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department homicide detectives as they investigate the incident. Anyone with information about this incident is encouraged to contact the Sheriff’s Department’s Homicide Bureau at (323) 890-5500.”

The campground area at Malibu Creek State Park, which contains 63 sites, has been closed since Friday due to the investigation and will remain closed until further notice. Updates will be provided once information becomes available.

Malibu Creek State Park is located four miles south of Highway 101 on Las Virgenes Road/Malibu Canyon Road, the state park is popular for its 14-mile Malibu Creek that runs through thousands of scenic acres filled with craggy canyons, gorges and meadows along the Santa Monica Mountains that ends at Malibu Lagoon. On average, more than 300,000 outdoor enthusiasts enjoy hiking, fishing, bird watching, mountain biking, rock climbing, camping and horseback riding at the park each year.

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