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Porter, Stacy

From: Mike Brady [mikee.bunch@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Thursday, January 25, 2007 7:57 PM
To: soliver@mp.usbr.gov
Cc: cschmidt@folsom.ca.us
Subject: Folsom Dam Safety Project - Folsom Point Closing

Closure of park land needs to be very carefully considered, and if there is even a halfway reasonable alternative don't do it. Recreation areas are important, even if they're mainly (as with Folsom Point) boat launch zones. Highway projects are essentially prohibited from using public recreational land, unless a very stringent process of looking at alternatives and mitigating remaining effects is followed - you should do the same.

In other words, find an alternative location for staging areas, and minimize or eliminate use of Folsom Point and other recreation areas you may be affecting. Convenience and cost are not the only considerations that should be used.

Thank you.

Mike Brady
1360 Hartley Way
Folsom, CA 95630

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From: Kathy Boyd [kabinternet@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 25, 2007 6:23 PM
To: soliver@mp.usbr.gov
Subject: Folsom Point Closure

First the government closed the dam bridge, bringing huge traffic problems and a wallop financially to our Old Town. Now the government wants to close Folsom Point for 6-7 yrs! For heaven's sake, I don't believe there are absolutely no sites that will work besides closing our recreation accesses; in fact, according to Sreve Miklos, you won't even consider other sites that don't involve closing Folsom Point.

Perhaps you didn't realize how heavily used these lake accesses are. While I understand the need to upgrade the dam, and appreciate the work you do for all of us, please find a way to do so without closing Folsom Point.

Thank you.

Kathy Boyd
Folsom, CA 95630

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Porter, Stacy

From: colldeweih [colldeweih@comcast.net]
Sent: Thursday, January 25, 2007 10:09 PM
To: usbr; usbr; us army corp
Subject: folsom point closure

I am writing to you in regards to the proposed closure of Folsom point boat launch/picnic area .We are avid boaters and users of Folsom point boat launch/picnic area and would prefer other alternatives be explored. We as a citizens of Folsom understand the importance of flood protection and support the retrofit project. I am deeply concerned that the proposed closure would negatively impact the City of Folsom ,both financially and in added traffic congestion that this cities infrastructure can not handle.People who would normally use Folsom point would have to find alternative facilities around the lake thereby stressing already overwhelmed launch/picnic areas.Closing this area would cost this area hundreds if not thousands of tourist dollars.This city can not afford to take another financial hit such as the one dealt by the post 9/11 closure of the dam road. 6-7 years is way to long a time to keep this area closed. I urge you to consider the other possible alternatives that have been placed on the table.
Thank you for your consideration in this matter,

The Colldeweih's
Folsom residents and users of Folsom point for 20+ years

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Porter, Stacy

From: n d [ndwork2@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Thursday, January 25, 2007 9:30 PM
To: soliver@mp.usbr.gov
Subject: Folsom Dam Construction Project

Dear: Mr. Oliver

I am writing to express my strong opposition to any plan to use the area known as MIAD (N. of Green Valley Rd, E. of Natoma) for any staging, construction, rock crushing and any like activity regarding the Folsom Lake Dam construction project.

I am a resident of Folsom CA and live in the foothills community of Empire Ranch which is across from Green Valley Rd. and Mormon Island. The noise levels are already extremely high from normal road activity 24 hours a day. As noted in the current Executive Summary, noise levels will increase to unacceptable levels. This valley is shaped like a bowl, so noise would travel without being muted.

Also, the prevailing wind comes out of the north blowing across the current structure. In addition to 'carrying' the noise further distances. A potentially greater issue or threat to this family community is the exposure to asbestos and other construction dust and debris and the health problems these will create now and in the future.

In closing, the option would be unacceptable and would likely lead to considerable resident disruption and legal activity.

Please feel free to call me.

Thank you.

Mr. Neely Downing
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Folsom Ca 95630
916-739-7525

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Porter, Stacy

From: ROCKYSFANS@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, January 25, 2007 9:12 PM
To: soliver@mp.usbr.gov
Subject: Do NOT close Folsom Point

Dear Mr. Oliver,

Please do NOT close Folsom Point. I'm sure you could find another alternative for your construction staging area. The merchants of Folsom have already been hurt by the closure of the Dam Road. Now, more merchants near Folsom Point will also be hurt.

Folsom Point is also used by a lot of families who enjoy spending the day swimming and picnicking at the lake. It is very convenient. If you close it, then we would have to go to Beals' Point and boaters would have to go either to the Marina in El Dorado Hills or Granite Bay. This is a big inconvenience especially during the warm months as you would be closing a boat launch which would cause more traffic on the boat ramps at Granite Bay and the Marian.

So not only merchants will be hurt, but the boaters and families who enjoy going to this side of Folsom Lake will also be effected.

Thank you.

David and Patty Soulsby
121 Timson Dr
Folsom, 95630
916-852-4651

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Porter, Stacy

From: Mike the Poolman [water@mikethepoolman.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 25, 2007 8:32 PM
To: soliver@mp.usbr.gov; Rebecca.A.Victorine@usace.army.mil
Subject: Folsom Point

Folsom has suffered enough due to the Dam Road closure.
Please don't make it worse for our economy, home values and children's traffic safety by closing Folsom Point.
Sincerely,

Mike Stinson
Mike the Poolman
<http://www.MikeThePoolman.com>
C53-731809

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Porter, Stacy

From: MaaBlake@aol.com
Sent: Friday, January 26, 2007 1:14 AM
To: soliver@mp.usbr.gov
Subject: DO NOT CLOSE FOLSOM POINT

Dear Mr. Oliver:

Have you ever been to Folsom Lake on a hot summer weekend--and I'm not talking holidays. The picnic tables are full; the lines at the boat ramps are long. It doesn't make any difference which part of the lake you go to or what time, it's busy.

Close Folsom Point and the State is going to be losing money. It's just going to be too difficult to get to the Lake. Folsom Point is used by numerous families who enjoy spending the day swimming and picnicking at the lake. It is very convenient for us who live on this side of the lake. If you close it, then we have to drive through town to use Beals' Point. Boaters would have to go either to the Marina in El Dorado Hills or once again, through town to Granite Bay. This is a big inconvenience especially during the warm months as you would be closing a boat launch which would cause more traffic on the boat ramps at Granite Bay and the Marina.

Please do NOT close Folsom Point. An alternative for your construction staging area could be the area on the Dam Road which the government has already closed and made traffic in Folsom a nightmare. The merchants of Folsom have already been hurt by this closure.

Marianne P. Blake
130 Price Way
Folsom

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Chan, Allison

From: Stephen_Paladino@KeyBank.com
Sent: Thursday, January 18, 2007 1:50 PM
To: soliver@mp.usbr.gov; mfinnegan@mp.usbr.gov
Cc: malaea99@comcast.net
Subject: Folsom Point Closure - Folsom, CA

I'm very disappointed that there has been any serious consideration given to the closure of the subject recreational area for dam and/or dike repair. This would have a devastating impact on recreation throughout northern CA, and Folsom commerce and home values. Furthermore, this would be adding insult to injury after Folsom residents and businesses have had to endure the highly detrimental consequences of the Dam Road closure following 911. There simply has to be a better alternative because the closure of Folsom Point for any extended period of time (beyond 30 days) is completely unacceptable for any reason whatsoever.

Steve Paladino
Commercial Relationship Manager and **Folsom Resident**
Key AutoFinance
Office: 916-351-9467
Cellular: 916-747-2913
Fax: 216-357-6114

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From: odell5@comcast.net
Sent: Thursday, January 18, 2007 1:02 PM
To: mfinnegan@mp.usbr.gov; soliver@mp.usbr.gov
Cc: rebecca.a.victorine@usace.army.mil
Subject: Folsom Point Closure - URGENT

To Whom It May Concern:

We strongly object to the proposed closure of Folsom Point State Recreation Area! This proposition is unacceptable to the citizens of Folsom and surrounding communities. Folsom Point is used by thousands of community members throughout the year for walking, biking, running, boating and picnicing. Its closure would be an outrage. Folsom Point is the only access to Folsom Lake in the City of Folsom.

Please consider alternative solutions, as closing Folsom Point is absolutely unacceptable.

On a more personal note, we, like many families chose to relocate to Folsom primarily because of the proximity and accessibility to Folsom Lake. 8 years ago when my husband was transferred to the bay area, we knew we didn't want to raise our family there. We had the choice to live anywhere within 2 hours of the Oakland airport, and we **CHOSE FOLSOM BECAUSE OF THE LAKE!** Only after that did we realize that Folsom had other great aspects such as our schools, etc. However, had it not been for the lake there are other great communities with these other factors. Also, our home is located in the development directly across the street, once considered one of the most desirable in Folsom. The closure and activity planned for this area is going to effect our property values tremendously.

We haven't even brought up the impact it will have on the next closest access to the lake at Browns Ravine....you'll be hearing from El Dorado Hills next.

This decision will affect the lives of many families like mine, who not only enjoy this lake throughout the year, but want to continue using summers on the lake to strengthen our families and creating memories for our children.

PLEASE CONSIDER ALTERNATIVE SOLUTIONS!

Thank you.
Gary & Lia Odell
176 Singer Lane
Folsom, CA 95630

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Chan, Allison

From: ninapucci@comcast.net
Sent: Thursday, January 18, 2007 11:33 AM
To: soliver@mp.usbr.gov
Subject: Folsom Point closer

To Whom it may concern,

I deeply oppose the Folsom Point Boat Launch being closed to build the bridge. I live right across from Folsom Point and the workers will basically be in my backyard. I do not want to hear the noisy trucks and have people looking into my backyard. Why can't you use the Folsom Dam Road exit where there are no residents besides the prisoners. I think the prisoners deserve to listen to the noise instead of me.

Thank you.
Nina Pucci

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Chan, Allison

From: Reinard, Kevin [Kevin_Reinard@intuit.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 18, 2007 10:41 AM
To: mfinnegan@mp.usbr.gov; soliver@mp.usbr.gov; rebecca.a.victorine@usace.army.mil
Subject: Folsom Point closure

We want to register our serious opposition to the proposed closure of Folsom Point. As residents of Folsom, we use Folsom Point for boating, biking, and picnicing, so closing this lake access point will have a negative effect on our and every other Folsom resident's quality of life. One of the main reasons we moved to Folsom (in particular the Briggs Ranch neighborhood) was for access to this excellent resource, one that we use quite often. Closing Folsom Point would also have a negative effect on our housing values, as the area would lose much of its appeal to people looking to relocate to Folsom based on the access to the state park through Folsom Point.

Thank you,

Kevin, Suzanne, Katie, and Amanda Reinard
105 Burrill Dr.
Folsom, CA

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Chan, Allison

From: julie carlson [julie.carlson@comcast.net]
Sent: Thursday, January 18, 2007 9:47 AM
To: soliver@mp.usbr.gov; mfinnegan@mp.usbr.gov; rebecca.a.victorine@usace.army.mil
Subject: Possible closure of Folsom Point

It has been brought to our attention that Folsom Point State Recreation Area may be closed for seven years during the dam repairs. There are many reasons we are concerned about losing this access to the lake.

We moved to Briggs Ranch because it was a quiet and safe neighborhood, and because we wanted to be near "The Lake". East Natoma Street used to be a fairly quiet street. Ever since the dam closed, the noise level has increased immensely because traffic has increased, not to mention pollution. The noise and traffic will be even worse with all of the construction trucks coming and going from the site.

The businesses on the corner of East Natoma and Blue Ravine rely heavily on the boaters and lake visitors to purchase gas and food for their days on the lake. Some of these businesses are already hurting because of the vacancy left with the departure of Ralph's. Closing this entrance will definitely have a negative impact on these businesses.

Folsom Point is used by thousands of Folsom residents throughout the year for picnics, walking, biking, running and boating. The entrance on East Natoma Street is the only access to Folsom Lake in the city of Folsom.

In addition to local and out of town boaters, Granite Bay and Roseville residents use the Beale's Point entrance which is already busy and fills up on regular basis. Brown's Ravine is also busy and used regularly by local and out of town boaters, as well as El Dorado Hills residents. If access to the lake is difficult, people will just choose to go elsewhere... Lake Tahoe, Lake Berryessa, Don Pedro, Lake Camanche, The Delta, etc.

We understand that there are other alternatives for equipment storage, so we are asking that you seriously consider the other options or come up with an alternative solution. Closing Folsom Point will seriously hurt our city.

Allen and Julie Carlson
Folsom Residents (Briggs Ranch)

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From: Julie Calderwood [jpedcal@comcast.net]
Sent: Thursday, January 18, 2007 9:24 AM
To: soliver@mp.usbr.gov; mfinnegan@mp.usbr.gov
Cc: TheMayor@folsom.ca.us; admindept@folsom.ca.gov
Subject: Folsom Point Closure

Dear Army Corp. Engineers,

I was stunned to read that the Army Corp. of Engineers is considering closing Folsom Point for up to 7 years. Surely the Army Corp. can come up with an alternative that does not have such a devastating impact on the surrounding community. As you know, Folsom Point is the only access to Folsom Lake in the City of Folsom and is used extensively by community members as well as tens of thousands of people who come from outside our community and benefit area businesses.

The closure would be very upsetting to my family. We purchased a home a year and a half ago, which is 4 blocks from the entrance to Folsom Point, in order to take advantage of the recreational opportunities there. My children are in 3rd and 5th grade. The extended closure would mean that we would not have this very important part of our local experience until they were nearly out of high school. I walk at Folsom Point almost daily, and enjoy boating, swimming and picnicking there in the summer. It is an area of great beauty, fun and joy. After 7 years as a construction site, surely much of this would be lost. Certainly all of it would be lost to us for the duration of the project. This is an unacceptable loss to us as a family, and to our community.

I have not studied the proposals being considered by the Corp. yet, but certainly there must be a better alternative, in terms of the fiscal and quality of life impact on the City of Folsom, for the staging area for the Dam project. Substantial areas of undeveloped land lies near the dam. Surely the Army Corp. can utilize land that will not impact the entire community so dreadfully.

I want the Corp of Engineers to utilize an alternative to closing Folsom Point that meets the needs of your project while retaining this most important asset for the citizens of Folsom and the many thousands who come here to enjoy it.

Sincerely,

Julie Calderwood
100 Denure Ct.
Folsom, CA

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Chan, Allison

From: bobolover@comcast.net
Sent: Thursday, January 18, 2007 9:05 AM
To: soliver@mp.usbr.gov
Subject: Folsom Point Closure

The closing of Folsom Point is completely unacceptable. No, No, and No. There is no reason to close this recreation area to accommodate the dam retrofit project. This would ruin property values and devastate people's lives.

People move here specifically for the value of having access to Folsom Lake recreation.

Hiding this information within a 500 page document is reprehensible. This was handled in an extremely sleazy manner with regards to letting the citizens of Folsom know exactly what was being planned. Again, NO. NO and NO to closing Folsom Point.

It is imperative that you to come up with other options that do not make such a negative impact on the citizens of this area.

Kenneth Doherty

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Chan, Allison

From: Jeff & Maria Sickenger [jmsickenger@comcast.net]
Sent: Thursday, January 18, 2007 8:38 AM
To: soliver@mp.usbr.gov; mfinnegan@mp.usbr.gov
Subject: Folsom Point Closure

To whom it may concern:

I strenuously object to the proposed closure of Folsom Point State Recreation Area. This proposition is unacceptable to me and to the citizens of Folsom and our surrounding communities. Folsom Point is used by many thousands of community members throughout the year for outdoor recreation such as walking, biking, running, boating and picnicking. The closure would be an outrage and detrimentally impact the quality of life for those in Folsom. Since the Dam Road closed, it has been the only access to Folsom Lake within the City of Folsom and has been a serious draw for visitors as well.

Please choose an alternative solution, as closing Folsom Point is absolutely unacceptable. Thank you for your consideration.

Maria & Jeff Sickenger
744 Sturbridge Dr
Folsom, CA 95630

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Chan, Allison

From: Frances Leon [frances_leon@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 18, 2007 8:16 AM
To: soliver@mp.usbr.gov; mfinnegan@mp.usbr.gov
Subject: Folsom Point

Hello,

I live in the Briggs Ranch area and I strongly object to the proposed closure of Folsom Point State Recreation Area! This proposition is unacceptable to the citizens of Folsom and surrounding communities. Folsom Point is used by thousands of community members throughout the year for walking, biking, running, boating and picnicing, its closure would be an outrage. Folsom Point is the only access to Folsom Lake in the City of Folsom.
Please consider alternative solutions, as closing Folsom Point is absolutely unacceptable.

Frances Leon

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Chan, Allison

From: Sobotta, Cindy [cindy.sobotta@intel.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 18, 2007 8:05 AM
To: soliver@mp.usbr.gov; mfinnegan@mp.usbr.gov
Subject: Please do not close Folsom Point

To whom it may concern;

I strenuously object to the proposed closure of Folsom Point State Recreation Area. This proposition is unacceptable to me and to the citizens of Folsom and our surrounding communities. Folsom Point is used by many thousands of community members throughout the year for outdoor recreation (walking, biking, running, boating and picnicking) and sometimes just contemplation. The closure would be an outrage and detrimentally impact the quality of life for those in Folsom. Since the Dam Road closed, it has been the only access to Folsom Lake within the City of Folsom and has been a serious draw for visitors as well.

Please choose an alternative solution, as closing Folsom Point is absolutely unacceptable. Thank you for your consideration.

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Phone (916) 356-9642

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Chan, Allison

From: Tracy Nordheim [tracyinfolsom@earthlink.net]
Sent: Thursday, January 18, 2007 5:13 AM
To: soliver@mp.usbr.gov; mfinnegan@mp.usbr.gov
Subject: RE: Proposed Closure of Folsom Point

To whom it may concern;

I strenuously object to the proposed closure of Folsom Point State Recreation Area. This proposition is unacceptable to me and to the citizens of Folsom and our surrounding communities. Folsom Point is used by many thousands of community members throughout the year for outdoor recreation (walking, biking, running, boating and picnicking) and sometimes just contemplation. The closure would be an outrage and detrimentally impact the quality of life for those in Folsom. Since the Dam Road closed, it has been the only access to Folsom Lake within the City of Folsom and has been a serious draw for visitors as well.

Please choose an alternative solution, as closing Folsom Point is absolutely unacceptable. Thank you for your consideration.

Tracy Nordheim
103 Brum Court
Folsom, CA 95630
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Comment # ~~138~~ 140**Porter, Stacy**

From: ltomiak@comcast.net
Sent: Friday, January 19, 2007 6:41 PM
To: soliver@mp.usbr.gov
Subject: Closure of Folsom Point Dam Retrofit EISR

Mr Oliver,

I writing you to voice my opposition to planned closure of Folsom Point. This proposal will impact this community in such a severe way that it may never recover, destroying the lives and financial stability of residents still struggling to recover from the closure of the dam road. Your planned proposal will not only effect the quality of life but the health and safety of residents and wildlife.

According to the Bureau's Findings:

Destruction of wetlands or possible permanent loss of wetlands

The loss of wetlands will effect many species of birds, mammals, protected amphibians, fish, and endangered insects. Our need for more water is going to impact the wildlife of the lake possibly forever.

Damage to Water Quality:

Folsom lake is known for its beautiful clear water. Families flock to enjoy it. The increased turbidity and siltation will make this impossible.

Air Quality

This is my greatest concern. I live in Brigg's Ranch, the neighborhood directly across the street from Folsom Point. I have two daughters that have asthma. Your own study says that NOx and Particulate PM10 emissions will exceed deminiis thresholds. How is this going to effect their already challenged lungs? How are they going to hang out in their own backyard when you poison the air? What are the long term effects of breathing these chemicals. Another issue to air quality is the naturally occurring asbestos in the soil, it is not an issue until you start moving it around. The soil relocation and blasting will put these carcinogenic chemical into the air to poison Folsom Families.

Significant Impact to Roadways:

Getting around Folsom has been challenging to say the least since the Dam Road closure. Natoma Street is already severely overcrowded, the addition of construction traffic will make it impossible to navigate the city and dangerous for residents. Emergency vehicles may have difficulty responding to emergencies due to traffic congestion. The increase of traffic will also damage our roadways.

Permanent Loss Of Lake Views:

Many of us in Folsom bought our homes because of Folsom Lake and the beautiful views. This proposed closure is going to adversely effect the property values of our homes. This will have a huge impact on the financial stability of this community. The loss of lake views is going to eliminate the very reason we moved to this community.

Increased Noise Levels:

According to your study Noise levels will surpass levels at the three receptor sights. Day and nighttime noise will be an issue. Daytime blasting will cause loss of quality of life and possible damage to our homes. The solution of scheduling truck traffic during daytime hours will only further impact our

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roads. How are residents supposed to deal with the increase noise levels. You are destroying our quality of life.

Change in Folsom Point State Park:

What will be left of Folsom Point after your proposed project? With increased water levels how much of our park will remain?

Loss Of Recreation:

I personally use Folsom Point on an almost daily basis. I enjoy morning walks around the lake for exercise. my dog enjoys walking and swimming in the lake. my family picnics and celebrates special events in the picnic area, boating and fishing are also family favorites. The lake and easy access is why we bought our home where we did. If you close Folsom Point the other local boat launches will be overwhelmed and unable to handle the added traffic.

Public Works:

Folsom recently went through the headache of putting in the Natoma pipeline. This was a necessary inconvenience for residents. Your proposal includes the possible damaging or relocation of this pipeline. What impact will this lead to on our community. It also mentions the creation of solid waste. This is a beautiful state park you are callously using as cement factory and staging area. This delicate environment and the many animals that call it home could be permanently destroyed and that is just too high a price for more water.

One issue you did not address was our resident Eagle (aka lovingly known as Folsom) Although the Bald Eagle may no longer be on the endangered species list, it is still protected by the "Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act" It is my understanding one of the afforded protections is not to disturb the nesting area or flight pattern. Is your proposal in violation of this Act?

Folsom is a wonderful family oriented community. the proposed closure of Folsom Point will destroy our quality of life. Please develop an alternative plan that will not create such adversity.

Sincerely,
Lisa Tomiak
144 Singer Lane
Folsom. CA 95630

(916) 671-9808

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From: Van Saun [mkvansaun@comcast.net]
Sent: Wednesday, January 17, 2007 10:32 PM
To: soliver@mp.usbr.gov
Subject: Concerned Residents

To: Shawn Oliver
From: Mark and Kathy Van Saun

We are contacting you in regards to the proposed closing of the Folsom Point Recreation Area or Dike 8. We are very concerned about this matter and ask that you would not only reconsider this proposal but give us more information. We have been Folsom residents and Briggs Ranch homeowners for over 11 years and we can not imagine what such a closure would do to our community and our neighborhood.

Like many of our neighbors, we moved here primarily because of the lake access. Our family loves to take walks, run and mountain bike at the lake. We are extremely concerned about the devastating effect such a closure would have on the near by businesses as well as our home values. We personally know of a family that was considering several homes in the area to purchase and said yesterday that they will not buy here due to this issue.

Why haven't other access points been chosen to help with this matter without closing down an entire recreational area? Folsom Point is Folsom's only access where as Granite Bay has two access areas.

We have dealt with the burden of the Dam Road closure and saw the effects of that decision on businesses, commutes and community access. We cannot stomach another blow to our community.

We ask you to please reconsider this decision and find an acceptable solution.

Sincerely,
Mark and Kathy Van Saun
Briggs Ranch Residents, Folsom

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Chan, Allison

From: Jennifer Thompson [thompson.morley@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Thursday, January 18, 2007 11:01 AM
To: soliver@mp.usbr.gov
Subject: Fw: Folsom Point Closure

It has come to my attention that the Army Corp of Engineers is considering closure of Folsom Point. It is my hope that this will not come to fruition as the closure of Folsom Point will negatively impact the City of Folsom by significantly decreasing the resources the community has to offer its residents and tourists.

As you are aware, the result of the closure of the Folsom Dam and resulting redirection of traffic has been significant to the community in the loss of revenue and closure for businesses; and the traffic congestion on streets not designed for the volume of vehicles currently utilizing them on a daily basis.

In the event of the closure of Folsom Point, the lake visitors will be diverted to lake access elsewhere, directing the potential revenue away from Folsom to El Dorado Hills and Granite Bay. Neighborhoods close to Folsom Point will no longer have quick access to Folsom Lake for the many recreational purposes aside from boating and this certainly may decrease the associated property values.

Folsom residents are proud of Folsom Lake and it would be terribly ironic if the only community near Folsom Lake without access would be Folsom itself. Please consider options that would allow Folsom Point to remain available to our residents and tourists so that we may enjoy it and continue to benefit from the revenue it brings to our community.

Thank you for your consideration.

Jennifer Thompson
137 Bittercreek Drive
Folsom, CA 95630

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Porter, Stacy

From: Sue Seivert [sulu21@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 18, 2007 6:56 PM
To: soliver@mp.usbr.gov; mfinnegan@mp.usbr.gov
Subject: Folsom Point

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It is unthinkable that closing Folsom Point is to accommodate the Army Corps of Engineers' storage needs. Residents of Folsom have been using Folsom Point and its trails for years and provides the community a place to share in nature's beauty. This is an established area for the people. Please use alternative places that are available but not Folsom Point. Thank you.

Assunta L. Seivert. 1701 Creekside Dr., Folsom, CA 95630 Sulu21@yahoo.com

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Porter, Stacy

From: John and Cheryl Mandsager [johnmandsager@comcast.net]
Sent: Thursday, January 18, 2007 8:12 PM
To: mfinnegan@mp.usbr.gov; soliver@mp.usbr.gov; rebecca.a.victorine@usace.army.mil
Subject: Don't Close Folsom Point!

Importance: High

We understand the Bureau of Reclamation is proposing to close Folsom Point/Dyke 8 to all visitors for a duration of up to 7 years effective Fall 2007 while the Folsom Dam is retrofitted. While we support the dam project, we understand there are many other alternatives that have yet to be explored. These alternatives would allow Folsom Point to remain open to the public.

Since we enjoy visiting Folsom Point many, many times a year, this closure would have a negative impact on our family. We imagine the impact on most, if not all, of the families in our neighborhood would be the same. We urge the Bureau of Reclamation to pursue the Dam project in a manner that will allow Folsom Point to remain open to the public.

Thank you.

John and Cheryl Mandsager
110 Woodard Lane
Folsom CA 95630

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From: maria [malaea99@comcast.net]
Sent: Thursday, January 18, 2007 4:51 PM
To: themayor@folsom.ca.us; ericking@folsom.ca.us; corrprincess@ardennet.com;
smiklos@folsom.ca.us; jstarsky@folsom.ca.us; soliver@mp.usbr.gov; mfinnegan@mp.usbr.gov
Subject: Folsom Point Closure

To Whom It May Concern:

I am very frustrated and disappointed to hear about the closure of Folsom Point and strongly object to it. I am shocked that this has even been considered. As a Folsom resident and homeowner in the immediately affected area, I am outraged that I am to be put through yet another devastating inconvenience. After the damn road closure and the detrimental affects on not only Folsom, but to my particular neighborhood (Briggs Ranch), this closure is absolutely unacceptable.

The entire Folsom community will be losing out on our use of this beautiful facility for boating and picnicing (among other things). Our access to the lake via Folsom Point/Dyke 8 is a vital part of living in this area. As a resident of the immediate area, we will have to endure more traffic congestion, as well as this detrimentally affecting our local environment and our property values.

There has to be a better/alternate solution to this extremely long closure.

Thank you for your consideration!

Maria Paladino

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From: Philip Lee [pet911@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Thursday, January 18, 2007 10:40 PM
To: Shawn Oliver
Subject: Folsom Dam Raise

Hi Shawn,

I was given your name as a contact for the raising of Folsom Dam. Are you the program manager for this project? If not, please direct me to the lead person on this project.

I wish to comment on the potential 7 yr. closure of Folsom Point SP.

thanks,

Phil

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Porter, Stacy

From: Mike Finnegan [MFINNEGAN@mp.usbr.gov]
Sent: Thursday, January 18, 2007 4:29 PM
To: Shawn Oliver
Subject: Fwd: Folsom Point Closure

>>> "The Hamiltons" <thehammys@comcast.net> 01/18 3:50 PM >>>
To whom it May Concern,

I strongly object to the closing of Folsom Point. My family and I use this area on a weekly basis (boating, picnicking, walking etc) and would be devastated by this closure. There are many families in my neighborhood that also use this area on a regular basis and I know that losing this option to experience some peace and tranquility right in our own community would be a great loss to many.

I urge you to please reconsider this proposal.

Thank you,

Jennifer Hamilton
110 Rebecca Way
Folsom

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From: Mike Finnegan [MFINNEGAN@mp.usbr.gov]
Sent: Thursday, January 18, 2007 4:31 PM
To: Shawn Oliver
Subject: Fwd: Folsom Point State Rec

>>> "Michelle Thompson" <jjmmthompson@sbcglobal.net> 01/18 4:21 PM >>>
To whom it may concern:

I strenuously object to the proposed closure of Folsom Point State Recreation Area. This proposition is unacceptable to me and to the citizens of Folsom and our surrounding communities. Folsom Point is used by many thousands of community members throughout the year for outdoor recreation (walking, biking, running, boating and picnicking) and sometimes just contemplation. The closure would be an outrage and detrimentally impact the quality of life for those in Folsom. Since the Dam Road closed, it has been the only access to Folsom Lake within the City of Folsom and has been a serious draw for visitors as well.

Please choose an alternative solution, as closing Folsom Point is absolutely unacceptable. Thank you for your consideration.

Michelle Thompson
El Dorado Hills, Ca
933-7996