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Electrical upgrade begins at Dent Acres Campground

OROFINO, Idaho -- Work has begun to update the electrical system to 17 campsites at Dent Acres Campground, according to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers recreations and operations officials at Dworshak Dam and Reservoir.

Upgrading the electrical plug-in pedestals from 30 amps electrical service to 50 amps electrical service at these sites will allow compatibility with the larger recreational vehicles being manufactured today.

The improvements were made possible by a partnership between the Corps' Walla Walla District and the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation. A \$54,000 Recreational Vehicle Program Grant was awarded for the electrical upgrade project. The Corps engineered and designed the job, and the construction contract was awarded to Wise Electrical of Orofino. The upgrade project will continue through the first week of November.

Another expected benefit of the electrical upgrade is increased visitor comfort, by enabling campers to use the full extent of electrical devices in their RV's or motorhomes (air conditioners, microwaves etc.) without fear of "brownouts" during peak electrical usage times.

"As always, we want our visitors to have a safe, enjoyable experience here. We ask that visitors to Dent Acres during this repair period use extra caution near the work area," said Deb Norton, Park Ranger at Dworshak Dam and Reservoir.

Late season camping by self-deposit registration is still available at Dent Acres with sites open in the upper loops. All amenities, including electrical service are available at these upper sites. Please be aware, if colder weather prevails, water will be turned off in sites without frost-free hydrants.

Further information is available by calling (208) 476-1261.

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