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Media opportunity available for Lucky Peak 50th Anniversary

Boise, Idaho – A media opportunity is available to tour Lucky Peak Dam and meet and interview two men who worked on its construction 50 years ago.

The tours and interviews are scheduled for Thursday, June 16, starting at 10 a.m. at Lucky Peak Dam.

In addition, media are invited to participate in a boat tour of the lake, recreation areas and over 4,000 acres of federally-owned wildlife management lands. Media members should meet at the entrance signs for Lucky Peak Dam and Sandy Point State Park at 10 a.m.

Lucky Peak is a rolled earthfill dam, 340 feet high and 1,700 feet long at the crest, eight miles upstream from Boise. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers built it on the Boise River to provide flood damage reduction, water for irrigation and recreation.

Construction of Lucky Peak Dam began in November 1949. Five years later on June 23, 1955, the dam became operational and the lake was filled.

A celebration will be held June 23 at 10 a.m. at Discovery State Park (entrance to Lucky Peak) to commemorate Lucky Peak's 50 years of service to the Boise Valley. The public is invited to attend.

Media representatives desiring a boat tour on June 16 should R.S.V.P. with Park Manager Joyce Dunning at (208) 343-0671.

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