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## Dworshak offers Spring recreation opportunities

**OROFINO, Idaho** – Outdoors enthusiasts can enjoy beautiful north Idaho at the facilities operated by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at Dworshak Dam and Reservoir. The reservoir level is increasing every day and Bruce's Eddy Ramp Number 2, Big Eddy and Dent Acres boat ramps are currently open.

Early season camping will begin at Dent Acres Campground on April 13. Site fees are \$10 per day by self-deposit registration. Regular season camping will start May 23 with full hook-up sites available for \$16 per night. Reservations for the regular season can be made by calling (877) 444-6777, or by visiting the Web site at [www.ReserveUSA.com](http://www.ReserveUSA.com).

On April 1, those seeking a more primitive camping experience can visit Dam View where dry camping is available at no charge. Recent vandalism at Canyon Creek's primitive camping area may cause a delay in opening the site to the public. Repair materials have been ordered, and Dworshak staff plan to minimize the period of closure at that camp site.

The Big Eddy day-use area offers a swim beach, playground, picnic shelters and barbecue grills. The Big Eddy hiking trail runs 10 miles to Dworshak State Park. Visitors can take a hike along the trail and picnic at one of several mini-camps along the way. The Merry's Bay day-use area, which opens on April 1, offers secluded picnicking and fishing opportunities.

Idaho's turkey hunting season starts April 15. Hunting is allowed on Corps property around the reservoir, except in developed recreation areas. All Idaho State boating, hunting and fishing regulations apply to visitors at Dworshak Reservoir. All-terrain vehicle (ATV) operation is prohibited off designated roads, and behind gates or fences.

"Please follow all safety precautions while recreating in the forest during the hunting season," said Corps Park Ranger Deb Norton. "When boating on the reservoir, remember that lake levels can change quickly. The weather may be warm, but the water in Dworshak is still very cold from the spring snowmelt and runoff."

For updated water level and boat ramp information, call (800) 321-3198. Always be aware of water temperatures and the associated risk of hypothermia; and wear a Coast Guard-approved personal flotation device. For more information regarding facilities access and current conditions, call Dworshak staff at (208) 476-1261, or stop by the visitor center, which is open Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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