

Dear Lighted Boat Parade Participant,

Thank You for your participation in the 28<sup>th</sup> annual "Winter Magic" - Lighted Boat Parade event on December 2, 2023. Please read and comply with the following event rules and guidelines:

**JUDGING:**

This year the judging categories and maximum points awarded are as follows:

- Originality (35 points)
- Animation/Characterization (25 points)
- Lights (25 points)
- Music and Sound effects (15 points)

*Judges will view boats only from the right side; therefore, your entry number must be visible.*

Prizes are awarded for 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners in the parade.

**MANDATORY LIGHTING FOR ENTRY NUMBERS:**

- All participants will be issued a 12 inch by 18-inch entry number at check in.
- The supplied entry number must be MOUNTED & ILLUMINATED on the starboard side of your vessel.
- Judges must be able to easily locate and see your entry number. Failure to illuminate and clearly display entry numbers may result in disqualification.

**CHECK IN:**

- The lagoon launch ramp will open at 1:00 p.m. for participants to decorate and prepare boats for launch.
- All participants MUST check in between 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m.**
- Failure to check in by 4:00 p.m. will result in disqualification from the event.

**SAFETY INSPECTION:**

The lifeguards will be checking for the following:

1. Life Jackets - One (Coast Guard approved) type 1, 2 or 3 wearable for each person on board.
2. PFD Throw able – At least one throw cushion (Type 4 PFD Coast Guard approved) for boats 16ft and over.
3. Fire Extinguisher – U.S. Coast Guard approved Marine type fire extinguisher (if required).

Having your safety equipment visible will expedite launching your vessel.

**All participants must pass the safety inspection before launching.**

**MANDATORY SKIPPER'S MEETING:**

- Each entry must supply one person to attend a Skippers' meeting at 4:00 p.m. at the lagoon launch ramp.
- Failure to attend the mandatory Skippers' meeting will result in disqualification from the event.

**LAUNCHING:**

- You may launch beginning at 4:30 p.m.
- All vessels must pass the safety inspection before launching.
- Remember that one person must attend the 4:00p.m. mandatory Skippers' meeting.
- All participants must wait at the assigned location on the west side of the lagoon.

For further information please contact:

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Castaic Lake  
"Winter Magic" Lighted Boat Parade Instructions  
For December 2, 2023

- ✚ "Mandatory" Boat Skippers' meeting at 4:00pm at the lagoon launch ramp.
- ✚ Please prepare your boats for launching in the parking lot, rather than the launch ramp. All vessels should launch prior to 4:45 p.m.
- ✚ All vessels shall remain behind their designated Patrol Boat during the parade.
- ✚ There is a 5 mph/flat wake speed restriction AT ALL TIMES.
- ✚ Each boat should maintain a separation of ten yards from the vessel in front of it.
- ✚ At 5:00pm, the Patrol Boat will lead the first group from Hobie Beach around the point and circle around Paradise Cove allowing the judges ample time to make their selections. The Patrol Boat will then escort the group along the east shore up past the campgrounds. The Next Patrol boat will lead the next group through the same course. Once the judges are finished, the Patrol Boats will escort all participants for the final laps around Paradise Cove. After the final laps the parade boats will begin to retrieval process.

Note: The lifeguard will have sole discretion in determining if weather conditions are within safe limits to proceed with the event.

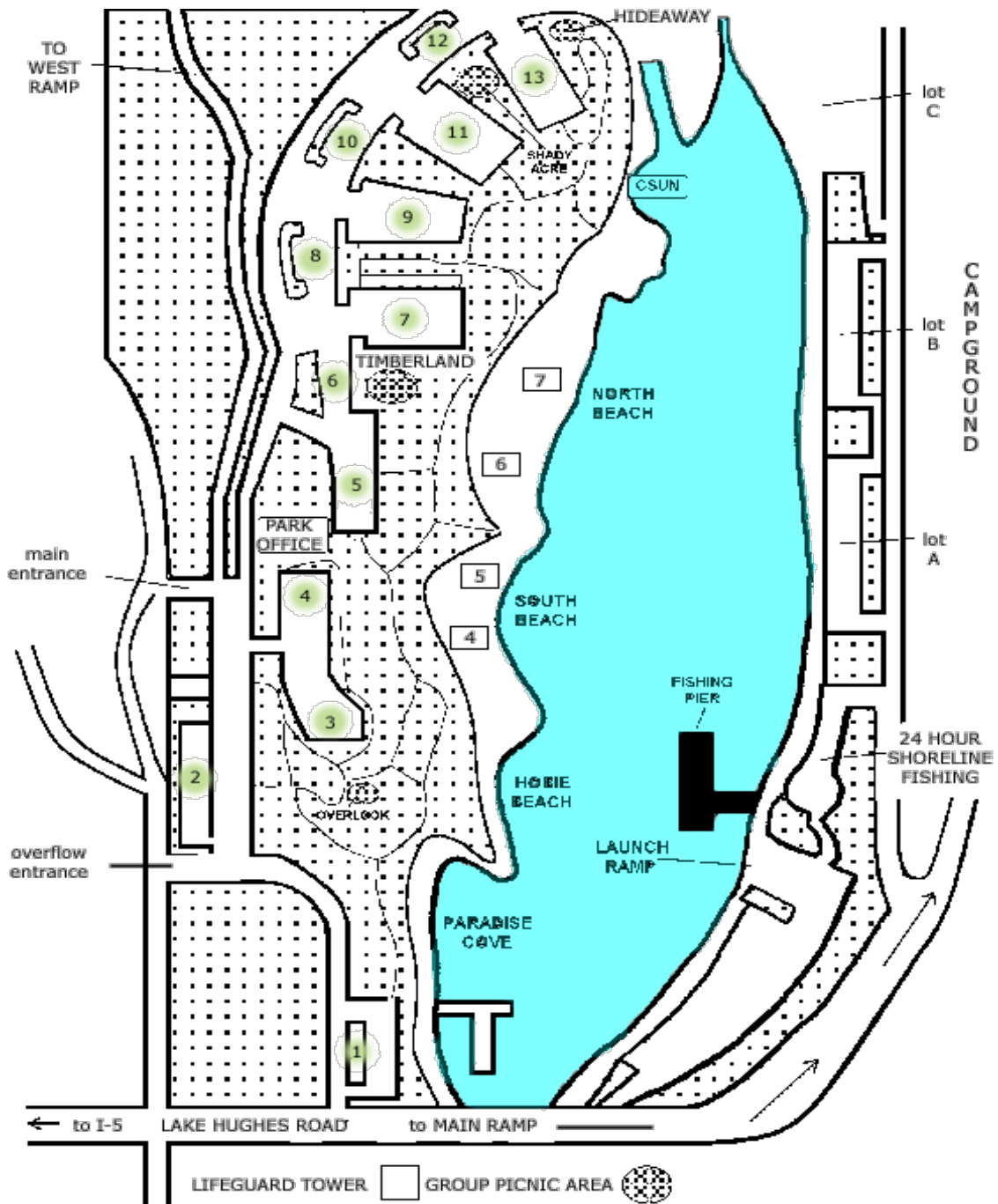
Parade Entrants,

Please fill out the enclosed "Entry Information" sheet prior to arrival at the lake. Give the completed form to the registration people at the lagoon "boat preparation area". The entry number will be supplied at registration. The prior completion of the form will save time for all involved.

See you there, good luck and have a great time!

*The Friends of Castaic Lake, "Winter Magic" Lighted Boat Parade Committee*

*"Winter Magic" Lighted Boat Parade  
Dec. 2, 2023 at Paradise Cove*



Parade Participants: go to the Lagoon Launch Ramp, Gate #43 off Lake Hughes Road

Parade Spectators: Enter at Gate #46, the Main Park entrance. Lake Hughes Road, to Ridge Route Rd. to Castaic Lake Drive