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Glen Canyon News Release

Event Scheduled in Celebration of National Public Lands Day

Page, Ariz. – In recognition of National Public Lands Day on September 27th, Glen Canyon National Recreation Area (NRA) will host a graffiti removal effort and is looking for volunteer participation.

This project will take place at The Coves at Wahweap on Tuesday, September 23rd. Volunteer sign-up will begin at 8:30 a.m. and the graffiti removal effort will begin around 9:00 a.m. Volunteers can expect to be done around 11:00 a.m.

Volunteers are asked to wear sturdy, close-toed shoes, sunglasses, hats, and sunscreen, and to bring a refillable water bottle. Water and snacks will be provided.

This is the 8th annual National Public Lands Day event sponsored by Glen Canyon NRA. Past events have included graffiti removal at the Dam Overlook and removal of off –road vehicle tracks from the backcountry.

National Public Lands Day is the nation's largest hands-on volunteer effort to improve and enhance the public lands Americans enjoy. National Public Lands Day began in 1994 with three federal agencies and 700 volunteers. In 2007, 110,000 volunteers worked in 1,300 locations and in every state building trails and bridges, planting trees and plants, and removing trash and invasive plants. Eight federal agencies and many state and local lands now participate in this annual day of caring for shared lands.

Show your support for Glen Canyon NRA by coming out to help remove graffiti and restore the natural beauty of our magnificent sandstone formations. For more information, contact Ranger Lisa Dittman at the Carl Hayden Visitor Center (928-608-6404).

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