



Lake Mead

National Recreation Area

Summer 2015



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Lake Mead NRA joins the 'Find Your Park' movement

The National Park Service is celebrating its centennial anniversary, and through Find Your Park, you can be a part of the party and help the National Park Service set the stage for its second century. National parks, programs and partners across the country are encouraging everyone to *find their park*.

To be a part of the national movement, all you have to do is share your story online at FindYourPark.com. Tell the world what Lake Mead National Recreation area means to you in whatever way you think is best, be it a song, a photo, a painting, a poem, a video – anything you want.

Or, share your experiences at Lake Mead National Recreation Area on social media using the #FindYourPark hashtag. Your post could be featured at FindYourPark.com or on Lake Mead NRA's social media channels.

“There is something for everyone in our 407 national parks, whether it is the breathtaking landscapes or the historical and cultural sites that tell the story of our country,” said Secretary of the Interior Sally Jewell. “As we approach the centennial anniversary of the National Park Service, this is a perfect time for all Americans – especially young people – to Find Your Park, from neighborhood parks to national parks and all public lands in between.”



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Borrow a lifejacket

Lake Mead and Lake Mohave rangers have set up Lifejacket Loaner Stations at Boulder Beach and Cottonwood Cove. Visitors are welcome to borrow a lifejacket, at no cost, to wear in and near the water and return it when they are done.

A five-year study of fatalities showed that the number one cause of unintentional death at Lake Mead National Recreation Area was drowning. In 2012, 2013 and 2014 each drowning victim was not wearing a lifejacket.

Many visitors use pool toys at Boulder Beach and Cottonwood Cove. Pool toys are not meant to be used as safety floatation devices. Visitors, particularly children, can easily be swept away by the wind to an unsafe distance from the shore.

Remember to never leave children unattended even if they are wearing a lifejacket.

It's easy and fun to adopt your favorite cove

Lake Mead NRA's Adopt-A-Cove program gives families, businesses, teams and individuals an opportunity to become park stewards while enjoying a day at the lake. Choose a favorite cove or area, and commit to holding three cleanups per year. Removing trash helps people, plants and animals thrive. It's that easy.



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If you are interested in Adopting-A-Cove, contact Lake Mead NRA's volunteer office at 702-293-8714.

Launch ramps to undergo construction this summer

The Bureau of Reclamation is projecting Lake Mead's elevation will decline to a record low of 1,073 feet by June. In order to maintain access to the lake this summer, fee revenue will be used to extend Lake Mead launch ramps.

No launch ramps are scheduled to be closed. During construction, at least one lane will remain open. Temporary concrete planks or pipe mat will be added to the end of each ramp, until permanent concrete can be poured. *continued on page 3*

Visitor Information

Emergencies

In case of an emergency, dial 911 or contact the police using your marine band radio on channels 16 or 22A. Report suspicious activity and non-emergencies to 702-293-8998. Emergency call boxes are located throughout the park. See the map on the back page for locations.

Fires

Fires are permitted using fire pits in developed areas. Campfires are permitted throughout the backcountry except when fire danger is high (watch for notices). Firewood may be purchased at marinas and most local grocery stores.

Firearms

Federal law allows people who can legally possess firearms under applicable federal, state and local laws to possess them in the park. Firearms are prohibited in federal buildings, such as visitor centers and ranger stations. It is the responsibility of the visitors to understand and comply with all applicable firearm laws before entering the park. Target shooting is prohibited.

Social Media

Join the conversation! Follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/lakemead to learn about programs and other events. Post your questions and a ranger will get back to you. Follow us on Twitter at @LakeMeadNRA to learn about park news. View pictures of the park and events on flickr at www.flickr.com/lakemeadnra and our videos at www.youtube.com/LakeMeadNRA.

Pets

Pets are allowed on all trails and beaches within the park unless there is a sign that says otherwise. Pets must be under physical control on a leash no longer than six feet at all times. Pets should not be left in cars at Lake Mead NRA. Please consider your pet's needs for water and shade in warmer temperatures.

Wear it for life

Children age 12 and younger must wear a lifejacket while on board a vessel. Each person aboard a personal watercraft, must also wear a lifejacket.

Due to the cold temperatures and currents between Hoover Dam and Mile 43 on Lake Mohave, all occupants of hand-propelled craft in that area must wear lifejackets when underway. Lake Mead NRA recommends wearing a lifejacket while on or in the water.

Clean, Drain and Dry your boat

Don't move a mussel – a quagga mussel that is. It's the law. Quagga mussels are small aquatic invasive species that can latch onto your vessels and hitchhike to other bodies of water. Once there, the mussels can cause millions of dollars in damages.

Help us keep quagga mussels out of other lakes. Before you leave the park, CLEAN plants, animals and mud from your boat, motor and trailer. DRAIN water from the bilge, live-well and engine. DRY the watercraft, vehicle and equipment.

Goldstrike Canyon and Arizona Hotspring trails will be closed from June 1 to September 15, 2015 due to high summer temperatures.

Cell Phones
WILL NOT WORK
in many areas of
Lake Mead NRA

Please
NO STYROFOAM
NO GLASS
at Lake Mead NRA

WARNING
Do not swim or allow dogs in Lake
when water is green with algae
AVISO
No nade no se admiten perros en el
lago cuando el agua es verde con algas

- Avoid hiking in the desert during the summer heat
- Drink plenty of fluids
- Wear a hat
- Use sunscreen
- Avoid caffeine and alcohol
- Never leave children or pets in a vehicle
- Carry water for you and your vehicle

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FINDYOURPARK.COM
#FindYourPark

Planning for a great time on the water



In the summertime, everyone wants to be in or around the water. With all the fun water activities at Lake Mead and Lake Mohave, people don't always think about water safety — but they should. Anytime you or your family and friends are around the water, there should be a safety plan in place. What if someone falls out of the boat? Does everyone on board know where the flotation devices are located? Are safety devices such as a radio, fire extinguisher, etc. in working order? Are there enough adults to watch the children? The most important part of the plan is that everyone always wears a properly fitted lifejacket. A safety plan should include what to do if someone goes into the water and needs help.

Learn to yell, reach, throw and don't go.

Yell – Ask the person if they need help. If they look distressed they are most likely drowning. People who are drowning cannot talk because their body's first priority is to take a breath.

Reach - Reach for the distressed person while lying on your stomach, if possible, to avoid being pulled into the water. If possible, reach with a long item, such as an oar, so the distressed person can grab onto it and be pulled out of the water.

Throw – Throw a flotation device to the distressed person. Throw items that float, such as a lifejacket, flotation pillow, flotation ring, empty ice chest, knee board, etc.

Don't GO! - Do not attempt a rescue by going into the water. Immediately call for help. A distressed or panicked person or pet may put you in danger as they attempt to use you as a flotation device to survive.

More ideas for a good safety plan

- "Buddy up!" Always play in or near the water with a buddy.
- Watch your children at all times.
- Don't go in water over your head without a lifejacket. The lakes do not have a 'pool edge' to grab on to.
- Know your limits. Distances across the water are farther than they seem.
- While on the water, have a knowledgeable boat operator on board at all times because desert winds can push a boat out of reach.
- Even if you don't plan to go into the water, it is smart to wear a lifejacket. Many drowning victims did not plan on entering the water.



How fees enhance visitor experience at Lake Mead NRA

The fees collected at Lake Mead National Recreation Area are used to enhance your experience during your stay in the park.

In 1939, forty parks initiated fees. The Secretary of the Interior, at that time, made the statement "Those who actually visit the national parks and monuments should make small contributions to their upkeep for the services those visitors receive, which are not received by other citizens..." This remains the philosophy of the National Park Service today.

Eighty percent of the money collected here at Lake Mead NRA stays here to provide services such as information, education, sanitation and continued access to the lakes. Your contribution has made possible new fish cleaning stations, launch ramp construction, improved shoreline and backcountry access, floating sanitation stations, navigational aid systems on both lakes, visitor publications and a long list of projects to be funded.

It is our goal to be the "Best in the West" and maintain quality visitor services for you and future generations.

Visitor Services

Lake Mead

Callville Bay Resort and Marina

702-565-8958, rentals: 800-255-5561
www.callvillebay.com

Marina/boat slip rentals
 Launch ramp
 Fuel (auto/boat)
 Boat rental
 Campgrounds
 Visitor trailer village
 RV park
 Pump-out
 Store (gift/convenience)
 Dry boat storage
 Boat repair

Café
 Marina snack bar
 Restaurant
 Lounge
 AIS RS (aquatic invasive species removal station)
 Fish cleaner
 Showers
 Laundry

Echo Bay

702-394-4000, toll free: 800-255-5561
www.lakemeadrvvillage.com

Launch ramp
 Fuel (auto)
 Campgrounds
 Visitor trailer village
 RV park

Pump-out
 Store (gift/convenience)
 Dry boat storage
 Fish cleaner

Lake Mead Cruises

702-293-6180

www.lakemeadcruises.com

Scenic boat tours and private charters with food service and snack bar on floating dock.

Lake Mead RV Village

702-293-2540

www.lakemeadrvvillage.com

Visitor trailer village
 RV park (some lake views)
 Pump-out
 Activity center/meeting room

Store (gift/convenience)
 Dry boat storage
 Laundry
 Full hook-ups

Las Vegas Bay

702-293-1191 Las Vegas Boat Harbor
 702-293-3484 Lake Mead Marina Complex

www.boatinglakemead.com

Fuel (auto)
 Campgrounds

Dry boat storage
 Fish cleaner



Las Vegas Boat Harbor Complex

702-293-1191 Main Number
 702-293-3484 Lake Mead Marina Complex
www.boatinglakemead.com

Marina/boat slip rentals
 Launch ramp
 Fuel (boat)
 Boat rental
 Pump-out
 Stores (gift/convenience)
 Dry boat storage

Boat repair
 Café
 Restaurants
 Lounges
 AIS RS (aquatic invasive species removal station)
 Banquet/meeting room

Temple Bar Marina

928-767-3211, rentals: 800-255-5561

www.templebarlakemead.com

Marina/boat slip rentals
 Launch ramp
 Fuel (auto/boat)
 Boat rental
 Campgrounds
 Visitor trailer village
 RV park
 Pump-out
 Motels/cabins
 Store (gift/convenience)

Dry boat storage
 Boat repair (limited)
 Restaurant
 Lounge
 AIS RS (aquatic invasive species removal station)
 Fish cleaner
 Showers
 Laundry

Lake Mohave

Black Canyon/Willow Beach Adventures

702-294-1414

www.blackcanyonriveradventures.com

Scenic flat water raft trip through Black Canyon with views of Hoover Dam. Lunch is included.

Cottonwood Cove Resort and Marina

702-297-1464, rentals: 800-255-5561

www.cottonwoodcoveresort.com

Marina/boat slip rentals
 Launch ramp
 Fuel (auto/boat)
 Boat rental
 Motel (beach front)
 Campgrounds
 Visitor trailer village
 RV park
 Pump-out
 Store (gift/convenience)

Dry boat storage
 Boat repair
 Café
 AIS RS (aquatic invasive species removal station)
 Fish cleaner
 Showers
 Meeting Room
 Laundry

Lake Mohave Resort, Katherine Landing

928-754-3245, reservations: 800-752-9669

www.sevencrown.com

Marina/boat slip rentals
 Launch ramp
 Fuel (auto/boat)
 Boat rental
 Motel
 Campgrounds
 Visitor trailer village
 RV park
 Pump-out
 Store (gift/convenience)

Dry boat storage
 Boat repair
 Café
 Restaurant
 Lounge
 AIS RS (aquatic invasive species removal station)
 Fish cleaner
 Showers
 Laundry

Willow Beach Harbor

928-767-4747

www.willowbeachharbor.com

Marina/boat slip rentals
 Launch ramp
 Fuel (auto/boat)
 Boat rental
 Campgrounds
 RV park
 Pump-out
 Store (gift/convenience)

Café
 AIS RS (aquatic invasive species removal station)
 Fishing pier
 Fish cleaner
 Showers
 Laundry

Launch ramp from page 1

Current launch ramp conditions will be posted online at www.nps.gov/lake. The best launch ramps for deep water launching are Echo Bay, Callville Bay and Boulder Harbor. At Echo Bay, there are four lanes, and the area offers land-based fuel, a store, RV park and camping. Callville Bay also has four lanes with a full-service marina, land and water-based fuel and stores, along with camping and an RV Park.

Boulder Harbor is the only launch ramp that will not need to be extended. It offers good deep water launching on solid concrete. However, it's important to stay in the channel because the edges of the harbor are shallow.

Hemenway Harbor, Temple Bar and South Cove are better for launching smaller boats. Hemenway Harbor has two to three lanes and is located next to Las Vegas Boat Harbor, which offers a full-service marina. Temple Bar has four lanes, and also has a full-service marina with camping, RV park and lakeside lodging. South Cove has one to two lanes with parking near the water. No services are located in this area.

To avoid the construction, boaters may want to consider storing their boats on the water in a slip before the summer rush. Callville Bay, Las Vegas Boat Harbor and Temple Bar offer this service.

Free AIS Removal

It is illegal to transport aquatic invasive species (AIS)

Get watercraft inspection and AIS removal on your watercraft when ENTERING or EXITING Lake Mead National Recreation Area. For more information or an appointment, please call 702-757-5757.



Park Store

and Visitor Center

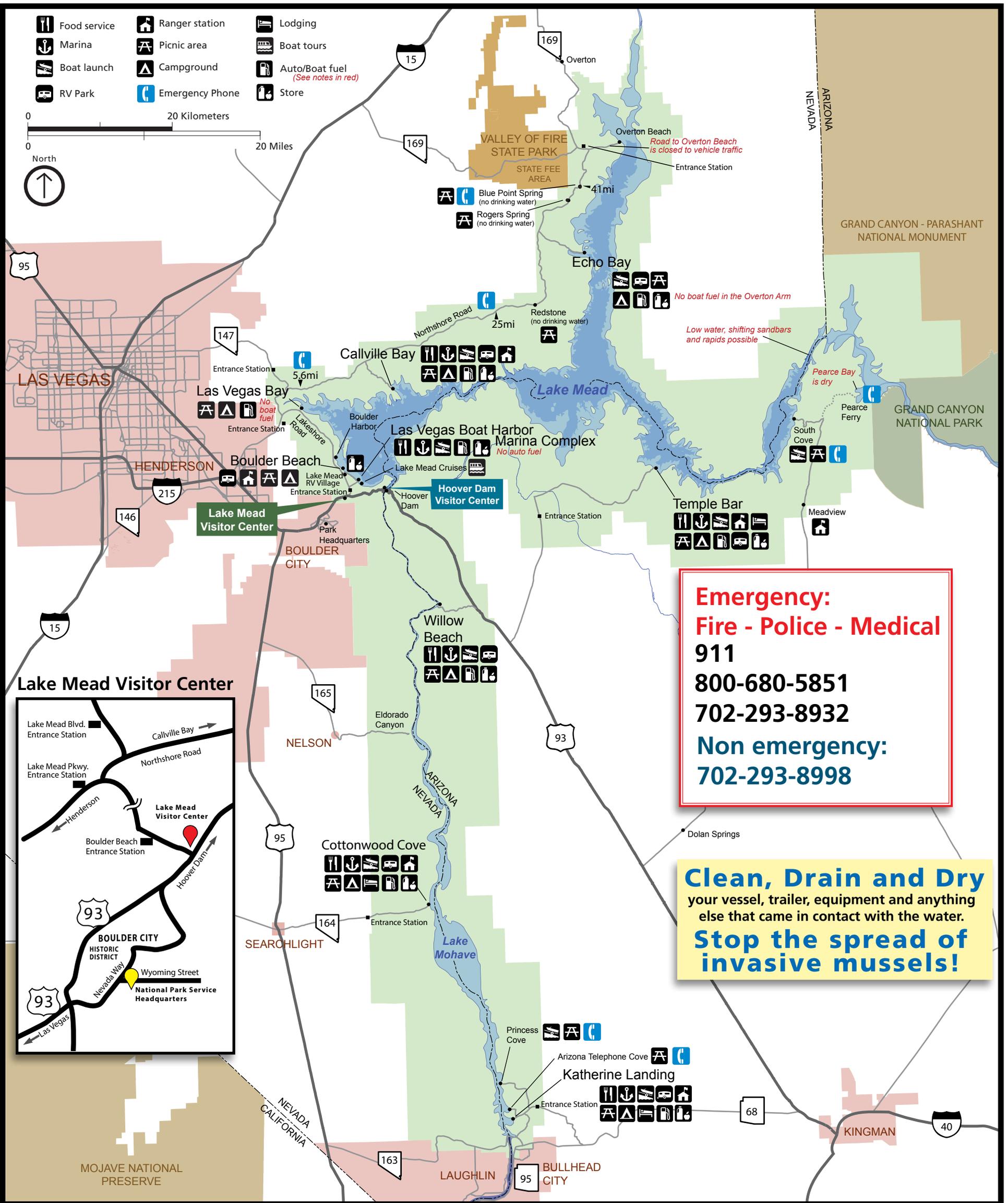


- Interactive Exhibits
- Outerwear
- Cinema presentation *Life in the Desert*
- Native American Art - Jewelry - Crafts
- Children's Games and Toys
- Books
- Maps
- Purchases are tax free and support educational programs at Lake Mead National Recreation Area

The Park Store is located off U.S. Highway 93, between Boulder City and Hoover Dam and is open every day, except Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. See map on the back page for location or call 702-293-8990 for more information.

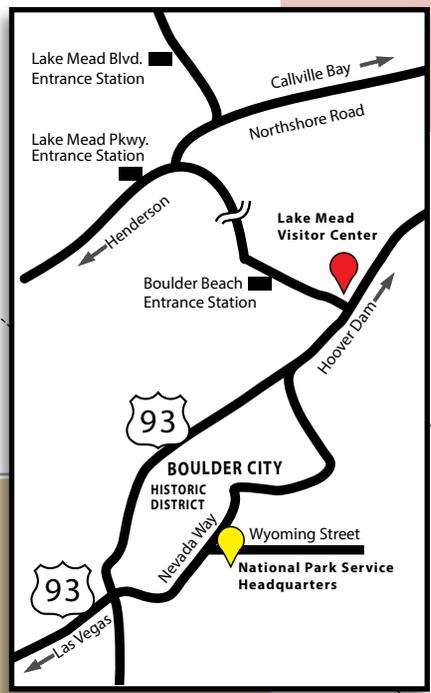


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 National Parks Association
www.wnpa.org



Emergency:
Fire - Police - Medical
911
800-680-5851
702-293-8932
Non emergency:
702-293-8998

Clean, Drain and Dry
 your vessel, trailer, equipment and anything
 else that came in contact with the water.
Stop the spread of
invasive mussels!



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 601 Nevada Way
 Boulder City, NV 89005

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 702-293-8990

Website
www.nps.gov/lake

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