



ISABELLA DAM SAFETY MODIFICATION PROJECT SITUATION REPORT



U.S. Army Corps
of Engineers
Sacramento District

Highlights (last 30 days)

Dams and Spillways SEA #5/Public Meetings

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is drafting Supplemental Environmental Assessment #5—Dams and Spillways, which is our final SEA prior to Phase II construction. The Corps is planning public meetings to discuss SEA #5 for June 2016 in Lake Isabella, Kernville and Bakersfield. More details to follow.

Traffic Safety

The Corps conducted a study to confirm the construction of an interim Boat Launch at French Gulch will not cause unsafe traffic conditions. This investigation study stems from public comments and concerns. The study recommends the addition of a left turn lane for westbound traffic into the French Gulch area. The Corps is meeting with Caltrans to determine the best way forward for traffic safety and meeting construction deadlines.

USFS Construction

The Corps received proposals for the new USFS Engine Station. We expect to award the contract in June 2016 and start construction in July 2016.

Looking Ahead (next 30 days +)

Upcoming Construction Efforts

The Corps continues its contracting process for the USFS Admin/Warehouse building. Additionally, the vegetation mitigation contract has been released for solicitation.

Contractors interested in bidding on these contracts should visit <https://www.fbo.gov/> for solicitation postings.

Lakeside Village Mobile Home Park/Utility Relocations

The Corps removed the vacated trailers and plans to place temporary trailers in the same area by the end of 2016. Also, the Corps is working with SCE and Verizon to move utility poles on government land out of the way for construction.

Current Lake Status (as of 25 Apr)

The current pool resides at 83,846 acre-ft., and elevation of 2,542.54 feet (IPD) or 2541.68 (NAVD 88) which is 23% of the restricted pool. As part of our interim risk reduction measures, Isabella Lake has a restricted elevation of 2,589 feet (361,250 acre-ft). Current lake status can be viewed at <http://130.165.21.224/cgi-bin/hourly.py?report=isb>

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UPCOMING MILESTONES

*Pre-Construction, Engineering
and Design*
2013 - 2016

*Award Construction Contracts for
USFS Facilities*
Summer & Fall 2016

*Dam & Spillway
Construction*
2017 - 2022

Project Web page:

[http://www.spk.usace.army.mil/
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IsabellaDam.aspx](http://www.spk.usace.army.mil/Missions/CivilWorks/IsabellaDam.aspx)

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