

Isabella Lake

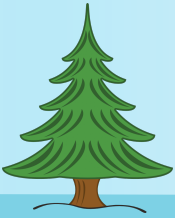
Dam Safety Modification Project



July 2017

Corps field office complete

The two-acre site located below the Auxiliary Dam allows co-location of Corps and contractor project personnel, which supports a more collaborative and efficient work model among the teams.



Oct. 2017

USFS Admin Bldg/Whse complete

The new facilities on Hwy. 155 in Kernville serve as the primary workstation for the USFS administrative and field staff serving Isabella Lake and the Kern River Valley.



Nov. 2017

French Gulch Boat Launch begins

The temporary boat launch replaces Boat Launch 19 during Isabella DSMP construction. The French Gulch launch is expected to be available for the annual fishing derby in March 2018.

* Timeline as of January 2018

Sept. 2017



Phase II contract award

The Corps awarded a \$204 million contract to Flatiron/Dragados/Sukut Joint Venture of Benecia, California, to construct modifications to the Isabella Lake Dams. Phase II construction is expected to begin by spring 2018.

Oct. 2017



USFS fire station complete

Located on Hwy. 178 in Lake Isabella, it replaces the old station sitting in the footprint of what will become a 300-foot wide Emergency Spillway between the Main and Auxiliary Dams.

Spring 2018



Phase II groundbreaking

This is when the heavy lifting begins, including improvements to the Main and Auxiliary Dams and construction of a new 300-foot wide Emergency Spillway.

Isabella Lake Dam Safety Modification Project

Isabella Lake and its dams reduce flood risk for Bakersfield and the surrounding region, and is a primary water source for water users throughout Kern County. The project addresses issues to reduce the likelihood of dam failure and is expected to be complete by 2022.