

Casitas Municipal Water District
RECREATION COMMITTEE
Special Meeting
Agenda
Brennan/Kaiser
July 15, 2025 – 10:00 a.m.

This meeting will be conducted in person at the District Office and also
via teleconference.

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1. Roll Call
2. Public comments.
3. Board/Management Comments.
4. Discussion of the proposed transition to cashless operations at the Lake Casitas Recreation Area Gate and Reservation Office.
5. Review of Recreation Area Report for May 2025.
6. Review of Incidents and Comments.

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**CASITAS MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
Committee Memo**

DATE: July 10, 2025

TO: Recreation Committee

FROM: Michael Flood, General Manager

SUBJECT: Discussion of the Proposed Transition to Cashless Operations at the Lake Casitas Recreation Area Gate and Reservation Office.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Recreation Committee review and discuss the possibility of the transition to cashless operations at the LCRA for District services.

BACKGROUND AND OVERVIEW

The Lake Casitas Recreation Area currently accepts cash for its operation at the park for gate entrance fees and services at the reservation office.

The vast majority of transactions for District services are paid through cashless means.

Cash operations create additional operational costs as well as consume significant staff time and resources.

ANALYSIS

Moving to cashless operations for District services would have the following benefits for Casitas:

- Eliminate the need for third-party cash handling services (i.e. armored truck).
- Save staff time for each transaction as well as the overall administration of cash resources.
- Allow for incremental adjustments to the Gate Entrance Fee without creating delays in making change.

LCRA Staff would like to begin the transition evaluation in Fall 2025.

This would involve a trial period prior that would help with a final decision.

CASITAS MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
LAKE CASITAS RECREATION AREA

DATE: July 7, 2025

TO: Recreation Committee

FROM: Michael Flood, General Manager

SUBJECT: Monthly Report for Recreation Area for May 2025

Visitation Numbers

The following is a comparison of visits for May 2025

	May 2025	May 2024	April 2025
Visitor Days	110,256	106,072	117,048
Camps	8,951	8,871	7,174
Cars	27,564	26,518	29,262
Boats	175	159	156
Kayaks & Canoes	9	9	0

Visitor Day Totals for Fiscal Year through May 2025	
2023/2024	882,734
2024/2025	1,057,537
Difference	174,803
%Change	18.02%

The formulas for calculating the above attendance figures derived from the daily cash reports are as follows:

Visitor Days = Daily vehicles + 30-minute passes X 3 + café passes + attendance at special events + annual vehicle decals + replacement decals + campsites occupied + extra vehicles X 4

Camps = Campsites occupied + extra vehicles

Cars = Daily vehicles + 30-minute passes X 3 + café passes + attendance at special events + annual vehicle decals + replacement decals + campsites occupied + extra vehicles

Boats = Daily boats + overnight boats + annual decals + replacement decals

Kayaks & Canoes = Daily kayaks and canoes + overnight kayaks and canoes + annual kayaks and canoes

Below is the May 2025 Lake Casitas Recreation Area Summary of events, projects, and financials.

❖ **Day Use Areas and Campgrounds:**

- Increase of 3.944% in day use from May of 2024.
- An increase in camping of 0.901% from May of 2024.
- Reservations were booked in advance and full for the Memorial weekend.

❖ **Boating and Fishing:**

- ABA Tournament with 19 teams participating, winning bag 36.3lb.
- 18 teams out of 21, average a 10lb bag.
- 1401 vessel tags were issued. A 10% increase in vessels from April.
- 54 vessels scheduled for inspections.
- 30 Passed and placed in quarantine.

❖ **Events:**

- Memorial Day weekend sold out for camping.
- Opening Day for Water Park.
- MS Bike Race pit stop location the at LCRA.

❖ **Maintenance:**

- Prepared for Memorial Day weekend.
- Cabin nearing completion.
- Began forming interior walls at the CWA Event Center.
- CWA Event Center, titled “The Clubhouse at CWA”

❖ **Casitas Water Adventure:**

- Lifeguard Recruitment / hiring on going.
- MPU and Lazy River pumps inspections completed.
- Lazy River fill day.
- MPU start up.



What’s coming in June:

Cabin completion, Wine Fest, CWA clubhouse, lifeguard hiring / training completed.

Revenue Reporting

The unaudited 24/25 FY figures for the month of March were up 0.0%, from the month of February. Per the District’s Financial Summary, generated by the Chief Financial Officer.

