

# Press Release



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## **TRIBAL COUNCIL APPROVES CHANGES TO PYRAMID LAKE REGULATIONS**

NIXON, NV, 4/4/11: The Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Council has recently approved changes to the Pyramid Lake Regulations. For the past several months the Tribe has been working with interested parties and visitors to make changes to the regulations in order to improve the recreational experience at Pyramid Lake. The approved regulation changes go into effect immediately and are focused improving the Fishing regulations, implementing invasive species protection and making the regulations more user friendly to visitors.

The approved fishing regulations remove the closure of the nets area during spawning season from March 15 through May 16<sup>th</sup>. Other fishing regulations changes include removing the limit on Sacramento Perch and updating language to make the fishing regulations easier to use. Other approved changes include implementing language to increase awareness and allow the Tribe to stop vessels from entering Pyramid Lake that may be infested with aquatic invasive species. The approved changes incorporate language that is consistent with other agencies efforts to stop aquatic invasive species from entering lakes and destroying the ecosystem and economy. At this time the Tribe is not implementing a mandatory inspection program and fee system, the approved changes only allow ranger staff to educate users about invasive species and perform voluntary inspections of vessels. Other approved changes to the regulations update information and make formatting changes to make the regulations consistent and easier for visitors to follow.

For more information about the Pyramid Lake Tribal Regulations, please visit [www.pyramidlake.us](http://www.pyramidlake.us) or call 1-775-476-1155.

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### **About Pyramid Lake and its People**

Pyramid Lake is located about 35 miles Northeast of Reno, NV and is the property of and managed by the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe. Pyramid Lake is known as being North America's most beautiful desert lake and home to many year round recreational activities. Pyramid Lake was designated as one of the first National Scenic Byways in the country and was the first scenic byway entirely on an Indian reservation. The lake occupies 112,000 surface acres inside the reservation boundary and has a shoreline of approximately 125 miles. The lake has no outlet and is a residual body remaining from the prehistoric Great Lake Lahontan water body. The lake is fed primarily by the Truckee River and is world famous fishery for the Lahontan Cutthroat Trout and Cui-ui, which are on the endangered species list. The Pyramid Lake Indian Reservation is comprised of 476,728 acres. The over 2,500 Tribal members are direct descendants of the Northern Paiute people who have occupied the vast areas of the Great Basin for thousands of years. For more information about Pyramid Lake or its people please visit the Pyramid Lake Museum and Visitors Center in Nixon or log on to [www.pyramidlake.us](http://www.pyramidlake.us).



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***THE PYRAMID LAKE PAIUTE TRIBE WOULD LIKE TO WISH ALL VISITORS TO HAVE  
A SAFE AND ENJOYABLE TIME AT PYRAMID LAKE***