

## Field Day 2025: May 15, 2025 Update

### ATTENTION SARA CLUB



### McCLURE POINT INFO

Vicki and I made a trip up to McClure point on Monday May 5<sup>th</sup> to do a little recon. First thing we noticed when we got to the gate was there was no one manning the entrance station. The sign says to buy your passes at [yodelportal.com/MID](http://yodelportal.com/MID).



We copied the QR code and bought a day pass with our credit card. Before we bought it, I called the Merced Irrigation District Parks Division and asked what was going on. They told me they no longer take cash at the gate. (Needless to say, I was a little put out with that since US currency is still legal tender for all transactions in the United States. We're seeing more and more of this.) Sorry, I digressed....

After purchasing the pass, we drove on up to the sites. The lake is looking beautiful! Still not completely full, but higher up than it was last year. Grasses are drying out fast, and they have not cut too much around the campsites. So, we're all going to have to be careful with open flames, etc. As of today, C3 and C4 are the only two campsites open in the loop. They are pretty small, like pop-up camper tent small.

I called MID Parks and Rec. on Monday May 12<sup>th</sup> to find out more info. Here's what I found out:

- The entrance station will be manned so campers can get their tags for the sites and day use folks can get their passes.
- The entrance station does not take cash anymore (confirmed). You must now pay with a credit card. You can pay there or go online to purchase your day pass. Just print it out to show them at the gate.
- At the time of this newsletter, there is still no confirmed fireworks show for Saturday June 28<sup>th</sup>. If there is, there will be an extra \$10

fee charged at the gate on entrance. So, everyone that has reserved spots for the weekend online will need to fork over the extra fee before going in. Day use folks will be charged accordingly (i.e. regular fee, \$10, + the extra \$10 for Saturday. Seniors and Military, \$9 + the extra \$10)

For those interested in current lake conditions as of Thursday May 15, 2025:

- Lake level is 851.30 feet above sea level and rising. This is close to what it was last year at this time.
- 89% of full capacity.
- 916,500-acre feet in storage now with a total capacity of 1,024,600 AF.

Almost done collecting the prizes for the Saturday night drawing. We have two left to get, and that should be done this week. We will be giving away some Field Day swag at Tuesday night's meeting Split the Pot raffle.

As always, any questions can be directed to: [sarafdcoordinator@gmail.com](mailto:sarafdcoordinator@gmail.com) or contact us at the May or June meetings.

More info as it comes folks.

73 All,  
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