For several years, the San Diego County Water Authority has been working hard to notify San Vicente Reservoir users about reservoir closures planned as part of its Emergency Storage Project. The time for the first phase of closure has arrived.

Starting on Jan. 4, 2007, the San Diego County Water Authority will close the reservoir on weekdays during the winter months. The reservoir will remain open on weekends until mid-2008.

The weekday closure is due to construction activity near the marina access road for the San Vicente Surge Control Facility. Construction will include trucking on the marina access road and controlled blasting on a hill above the road. These activities will make the access road unsafe for the public.

Weekday Schedule to 2008
Jan. 4, 2007 – April 2007: reservoir closed Monday through Friday; open on weekends only
May – September 2007: reservoir open Thursday through Sunday (normal schedule)
October 2007 – Early 2008: reservoir closed Monday through Friday; open on weekends only

Complete Reservoir Closure in 2008
In mid 2008, construction is expected to begin for the San Vicente Dam Raise project. The reservoir will be closed seven days of the week to all public use until construction is complete. It will reopen when the water level has reached the new marina, between 2012 and 2017.

For more information
For more information about the San Vicente Reservoir closure due to the Emergency Storage Project, please call the toll-free project information line at (877) 426-2010 or visit the Water Authority's website at www.sdcwa.org. Click on Infrastructure, then ESP.

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