From Rancho to Recreation

Anthony Chabot, Year opened: 1952. Acres: 3,304 Highlights: family, RV and group camping; public golf course, hiking, bicycling, equestrian, picnicking. Did you know? This regional park, originally named Grass Valley Regional Park, was renamed in 1965 after Anthony Chabot, who built the first public water system in San Francisco and Oakland. Lake Chabot, Year opened: 1966. Acres: 1,755 Highlights: reservable picnicking, marina and cafe, fishing, boat rental, cartop watercraft launching, fitness zone, volleyball, horseshoes. Did you know? Lake Chabot has about 9 miles of shoreline and an estimated capacity of 4.1 billion gallons of water.

Fees, Anthony Chabot–Hike-in camping: \$25/ night. Drive-in camping: \$30/night. RV camping: \$40/ night. Backpack camping: \$5/person/night. Campground dog fee: \$2/dog/day. Firewood: \$8/bundle. Fees, Lake Chabot–Parking: \$5/vehicle, \$4/trailer, \$25/bus. Dog fee: \$2/dog/day. Boat inspections: \$4. Boat launch: \$2. Daily fishing access: \$5/day. Boat rental fees: see website. Lake tours: \$5/hour/adults, \$3/hours/12&under. Guided kayak tour: \$45/2.5 hours/adults, \$25/2.5 hours/12&under. Charter boat: \$85/hours. Volleyball & horseshoe set rental: \$5 (\$30 deposit).

Fees are subject to change. Check ebparks.org for updated fees.

HISTORY Today's Anthony Chabot and Lake Chabot Regional Parks are located within the ancestral land of the Jalquin, an Ohlone- and Bay Miwok-speaking tribe. The combined 5,059 acres of parkland and lake are named for Anthony Chabot, who designed and led the construction of Lake Chabot in 1874. The dam was built by laborers, blacksmiths, teamsters, masons and miners from Ireland, Portugal, England and China. 800 Chinese workers moved over 600,000

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cubic yards of earth to create the dam. Enjoy the history walk at Lake Chabot; park at San Leandro's Chabot Park at Estudillo Avenue and Sylvan Circle and enter Lake Chabot's West Shore Trail along the paved path. The entire walking tour is about 1 mile (2 miles roundtrip) with several panels located in close proximity on the other side of the dam.

The southern half of Anthony Chabot Regional Park is within the 27,722-acre Rancho San Lorenzo, granted to Don Guillermo Castro in 1843. These rancho lands were used primarily for cattle grazing. When Castro sold the land in the 1860s it was subdivided into nine ranches. American settlers developed ranches in the northern portion of the park, including the largest, the 525-acre Grass Valley Ranch.

Most of these lands were consolidated into watershed property for the City of Oakland in the 1900s by the People's Water Company. The last major addition to Anthony Chabot Regional Park was Lake Chabot, EB-MUD's reserve water supply for Oakland. Through a lease to the Park District, it opened to the public in 1966.

LAKE CHABOT RESERVOIR was built in 1874-75 as a primary water source for the East Bay. The 315-acre lake was closed to recreation for 91 years. In the 1960s it was opened for controlled recreational uses. Today the lake is an emergency water supply. For this reason swimming is not allowed and dogs are not allowed to enter the water.

FISHING The lake is well-stocked and is a popular Bay Area fishing destination. All California Fish and Wildlife regulations apply. A current California Fishing License with stamps and an EBRPD Daily Fishing Access Permit are required for all anglers aged 16 and older. Fishing licenses and EBRPD permits may be purchased at the Marina Cafe. Senior Fishing Access Permits, valid for one year from date of purchase, are available to those age 62 and older. Permits are valid at all Park District lakes and reservoirs.

No live fish may be used as bait. All other legal bait and lures are permitted. Fish may be cleaned only at the cleaning station along the walk near the parking lot (see Lake Chabot Marina detail map at right). Catch-and-release angling is encouraged for bass, bluegill, and crappie. However, the release of badly hooked game fish and all non-game fish is not allowed. Please bring to the Marina any unwanted and tagged fish and your completed creel census card (on the back of your fishing permit). DAILY BAG LIMITS for Lake Chabot are: black bass (12-inch minimum)–5; trout–5; catfish–5; crappie-25; striped bass (18-inch minimum)-2. Bluegill, sunfish, carp-no limit.

BOATING AT LAKE CHABOT MARINA

The marina offers rental boats, tour boat rides, the Marina Cafe, and picnicking at reservable and first-come, first-served picnic areas. Swimming is not permitted. Rental boats include row boats, canoes, pedal boats, kayaks, and boats with electric trolling motors. Canoes, kayaks, and scull craft 20 feet and under may be carried in and launched (launching fee). Rafts and inflatable vessels with 2 or fewer chambers are not permitted on the lake.

MARINA CAFE AND BAIT SHOP The Lake

Chabot Marina Cafe, open year round, features a well-stocked bait and tackle shop and a restaurant that serves snacks, breakfast, and lunch. The Marina Cafe (510-247-2526) is closed Thanksgiving and Christmas.

LAKE TOUR BOAT Tour the lake on the *Chabot Queen* on summer weekends and holidays. Charter a tour by calling (510) 247-2526. Naturalist-led tours may be scheduled by calling (510) 544-3187.

SWIMMING is not permitted in Lake Chabot. Dogs are not allowed to enter the water at Lake Chabot. REDWOOD CANYON PUBLIC GOLF COURSE This 18-hole public golf course is open daily, 7:00am to sunset. The driving range is open from 7:00am to 6:30pm. Events and restaurant: 510-537-8001, ext. 226. Pro Shop: 510-537-8001, ext. 221.

ANTHONY CHABOT FAMILY CAMPGROUND Year-round camping is available in a eucalyptus grove overlooking Lake Chabot. Spacious tent sites, disabled accessible sites and facilities, RV hookup sites (max length 35 feet; sewage, water, 30-amp electric), and hot showers are available. Daily Fishing Access Permits and firewood are sold at the campground. Registered campers park free at the Lake Chabot Marina. Stay Limit: 15 consecutive days; 30 total days per year with a 2-day minimum break following the first 15-day visit. There are fees for tent camping and for full hookup sites, for second or visiting vehicles, and for dogs. Reservations are recommended year-round. Campground gates close at 10:00pm.

GROUP CAMPING Seven overnight camping areas are available by reservation. Organized groups are encouraged to use these group camps rather than the family campground. Information and reservations: 888-327-2757, option 2. Make reservations at least 14 days in advance. There is limited vehicle parking.





BICYCLE TRAILS Safe use of trails by bicyclists,

hikers, and equestrians requires common courtesy and everyone's cooperation. Trail mileages for most trails are indicated on the map. There are more than 4 miles of paved bicycle trails at Lake Chabot. The Lake Chabot bicycle loop (see map) is 12.42 miles via Live Oak Trail, and 14.41 miles via Honker Bay Trail. All fire roads in the park are open to mountain bikes unless otherwise posted. Narrow, single-track trails are closed to bicycles. State law requires that bicyclists under age 18 wear an approved helmet, and the Park District strongly recommends that all bicyclists and equestrians wear helmets while riding.

SKYLINE NATIONAL TRAIL/BAY AREA

RIDGE TRAIL These trails share an easement through the park. To complete a third of this 31-mile trail, follow the symbols on the map, which show the route from EBMUD's Chabot Staging Area northward to MacDonald Staging Area on Redwood Road adjacent to Redwood Regional Park. The Skyline Trail extends northwest to Wildcat Canyon Regional Park in Richmond. The Bay Area Ridge Trail begins at Pinole Valley Park in El Sobrante and runs south through various Regional Parks.

EQUESTRIAN CENTERS Chabot Equestrian Center: horse boarding. Call (510) 569-4428. Skyline Ranch Equestrian Center: horse boarding. Call (510) 336-0850.

Lake Chabot Marina Area Detail Map



TO REACH LAKE CHABOT MARINA

From I-580 in San Leandro, exit at Fairmont Drive and go east (uphill). (Note that Fairmont Drive becomes Lake Chabot Road.) The Marina entrance will be on the eft at the bottom of the hill (parking fee).

From I-580 westbound in Castro Valley, take the Strobridge Avenue exit. Turn right on Strobridge, right on Castro Valley Boulevard and left on Lake Chabot

on Castro Valley Boulevard, and left on Lake Chabot Road. The Marina is about two miles ahead on the right.

From I-580 eastbound in Castro Valley, take the Redwood Road exit and turn left onto Redwood Road, left at Castro Valley Boulevard, right at Lake Chabot Road, and follow the directions above.

TO REACH ANTHONY CHABOT REGIONAL PARK

From I-580 westbound in Castro Valley, take the Redwood Road exit and turn right on Redwood Road.

From 1-580 eastbound, take the Redwood Road exit and turn left at Redwood Road. You will reach Proctor Staging Area. Redwood Canyon Public Golf Course, and the Marciel Gate hiking and equestrian staging area. Farther along Redwood Road you will find Bort Meadow Staging Area, MacDonald and Big Bear staging areas, and the Skyline Ranch Equestrian Center.

Public Transit: www.511.org or dial 511 (TDD/TTY: 800-448-9790); BART: 510-441-BART: 925-676-BART; (TDD/TTY: 510-839-2220).

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