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"Creating Community Through People, Parks and Programs"

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**New Online Registration System for Los Angeles County
Departments of Parks and Recreation and Beaches and Harbors
Goes Live Today, September 27, 2010**

The general public will now be able to make and pay for reservations at select Los Angeles County Parks and Dockweiler Beach with the new Los Angeles County Activity Registration and Reservation System (LACARRS). LACARRS will allow the public to access, review, schedule and reserve County facilities and services such as swim lessons, picnic areas, RV park spaces, community rooms and conference quarters and pay via credit card. The general public can access the new online reservation system at <http://reservations.lacounty.gov>

"We are excited and expect to see tremendous benefits from this new online reservation system," said Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation Director Russ Guiney. "Enabling online reservations and collection of fees will not only enhance convenience for the public in an ever-increasing electronic world, but also realize operational efficiencies by automating processes that currently require extensive man hours."

LACARRS is a collaborative effort of the Departments' of the Chief Information Office (CIO), Parks and Recreation (DPR), Internal Services (ISD), and Beaches and Harbor (DBH). DPR and DBH will be the first County organizations to utilize the system; specific facilities going live in the month of September will include Dockweiler Beach, Castaic Lake State Recreation Area, Arcadia Park, Alondra park, and Farnsworth Park. Dockweiler Beach will offer online RV Park reservations; Castaic Lake will offer online camping, picnic, and RV Park reservations; and Arcadia, Alondra, and Farnsworth Parks will offer online facility reservations.

The Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation includes 145 Community and Regional Parks and Playgrounds where children are introduced to outdoor play, organized sports, and individual

skill development, and where families can stay active and maintain higher quality of lives. Six Regional Parks include lakes with swimming, boating and fishing, along with miles of hiking trails and other outdoor activities such as bicycling and horseback riding. A series of Nature Centers, Natural Parks and Habitat Preserves provide education on the native flora and fauna of Los Angeles County, while four arboreta and botanic gardens introduce visitors to plants from throughout the world. The department also features the world's largest municipal golf course system, with 19 courses featuring beautiful vistas from the mountains to the sea. Culture abounds at the John Anson Ford Amphitheatre featuring emerging artists, while renowned entertainers are the mainstay at the world-famous Hollywood Bowl. For more information about the Department of Parks and Recreation visit our website at: <http://parks.lacounty.gov>

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