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**French Meadows Boat Ramp and Picnic Area
Inventory**

French Meadows Boat Ramp and Parking Area

DEVELOPED RECREATION FACILITY INVENTORY AND ACCESSIBILITY FORM

Name of Facility:	French Meadows Boat Ramp and Parking Area
Type of Facility:	Boat Ramp
Managing Agency:	USDA Forest Service – Tahoe National Forest – American River Ranger District
Date of this Inventory:	July 23, 2008
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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SITE:

French Meadows Boat Ramp is located on the south shore of French Meadows Reservoir. French Meadows Boat Ramp area includes a concrete boat ramp and large parking area. A paved road connects the parking area to the boat ramp. A bathroom with flush toilets and sinks is available between the ramp and the parking area. In addition, potable water is available at a faucet located adjacent to the bathroom. The site is operated by the Forest Service with funds provided by PCWA under the current FERC license agreement.

OVERALL CONDITION OF FACILITY:

<p>Condition of Facility: Overall, the boat ramp is in fair condition. The ramp is functional but the concrete is spalling and cracked, and vegetation is growing in the cracks. The parking area is functional has deteriorated to aggregate base rock and is therefore in poor condition relative to its original condition. The road connecting the boat ramp and parking area is paved and in good condition. The bathroom is in fair condition.</p>
<p>Accessibility Conditions: The surface of the boat ramp meets accessibility standards but the slope of the ramp is too steep to fully meet accessibility standards. There are no designated handicap accessible parking stalls in the parking area but the parking area is large enough to accommodate persons with disabilities. The bathroom is not disabled accessible but can be retrofitted, if needed. The water faucet handle is accessible. However, the sump/drain is set above grade so the approach is not accessible.</p>
<p>Health and Safety Concerns: None</p>
<p>Environmental and Cultural Concerns: One cultural resource (FS-05-17-54-476) is situated near the main access road. This is a linear feature (a ditch) that parallels FR-96.</p>
<p>Comments: The boat ramp is subject to fluctuating water levels. Debris accumulates on the ramp as water levels decline and should be periodically removed to help keep the ramp functional throughout the year. Water is supplied to this site via the French Meadows Campground Water Supply, which is referred to by the Forest Service as the French Meadows South Shore Water System. The water source is a horizontal groundwater well. Flow is approximately 1.7 gallons per minute. Service connections include 15 faucets and 4 bathrooms with flush toilets and sinks.</p>

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SITE FEATURES

Feature	Quantity or Dimensions	Location or Description	Material	Type	Cond	Accessibility						Comments
						Accessible (yes/no)	Needs Leveling	Obstacles present	Brush or hazard trees	Excessive Slope	Other	
Boat Ramp	Approx. 600 feet long by 20 feet wide (1.5 lane)	Concrete section extending from access road to end of ramp. Includes three low water turn around areas.	Concrete	NA	Fair	N		X		X		Ramp does not meet accessibility standards due to excessive slope and the presence of debris (obstacles) deposited as water level recedes. Ramp surface is deteriorating due to cracks that have filled with vegetation.
Bathroom	Two sections (male and female)	On east side of access road, between parking area and boat ramp. Female side includes 2 toilets and 1 sink. Male side includes 1 toilet, 1 urinal, and 1 sink.	Wood Exterior	Flush	Fair	N	X				X	Entrance and stalls too narrow, level changes, no handrails. Can be retrofitted to meet accessibility standards.
Garbage Container	1 (Two-bin)	Adjacent to bathroom.	Steel	Bear-proof	Good	N					X	Not accessible due to handle design.

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SITE FEATURES (continued)

Feature	Quantity or Dimensions	Location or Description	Material	Type	Cond	Accessibility						Comments
						Accessible (yes/no)	Needs Leveling	Obstacles present	Brush or hazard trees	Excessive Slope	Other	
Faucet	1	Adjacent to bathroom.	Upright attached to wood post set in a round corrugated steel sump with drainage rock.	Potable water	Fair	N					X	Handle is accessible. Sump/drain is set above grade so the approach is not accessible.
Septic System	NA	1,000 gallon tank plus leach field.	Concrete tank	Tank and field	Good	NA						Condition is good according to USDA-FS.
Water System	NA	Horizontal well, pipe10-gallon tank, 1,950 feet of 10-inch black plastic connecting well and tank.		Potable water	Fair	NA						Well was developed in 1993 and activated in 1994. Quality of source water is good but they yield is low (1.7 gallons per minute). The distribution system leaks. The USDA-FS refers to this system as the French Meadows South Shore Water System. This system serves FM Picnic Area and Boat Ramp and French Meadows Campground.

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PARKING, ROADWAYS and TRAVEL PATHS

Feature	Quantity or Dimensions	Location or Description	Material	Cond	Accessibility						Comments	
					Accessible (yes/no)	Needs Leveling	Obstacles present	Brush or hazard trees	Excessive Slope	Other		
Large Parking Area	Approx. 30,000 square feet, roughly rectangular in shape	South of boat ramp.	Aggregate	Poor	N	X	X				X	Formerly paved but deteriorated to aggregate base rock. North boundary is delineated with post and cable fence. Not striped. No designated handicap parking.
Access Road	Approx. 320 feet long by 20-foot wide (1.5 lane)	As measured from end of French Meadows Boat Ramp and Picnic Area Road to beginning of boat ramp at max operating WSE.	Paved	Good	Y							Connects boat ramp and parking area. See detailed road survey table for additional information.
Small Parking Area	Approx. 1,500 square feet	West side of road, just above the top of the boat ramp.	Paved with chip seal	Good	N						X	The parking area can accommodate about 4 vehicles. Not striped. No handicap parking stalls.

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SIGNAGE

Type of Sign	Location	Qt	Material	Cond	Wording/Graphics	Remarks	Accessibility Notes
Regulatory	Entrance to parking area	1	Painted aluminum on wood posts.	Good	NO CAMPING OR FIRES		Good contrast.
Information board	Adjacent to bathroom	1	Painted wood, with wood posts and shingled roof.	Good	Two paper bulletins		Print on bulletins is too small for vision impaired.
Regulatory	Small sign on faucet	1	Painted aluminum attached to wood post.	Good	Please Keep Hydrant Sanitary No Bathing No Dishwashing No Fish Cleaning		Print too small for vision impaired.
Regulatory	Top of boat ramp	1	Painted aluminum on painted steel post.	Fair	VEHICLE TRAVEL PROHIBITE ALONG LAKESHORE	Paint flaking Bullet hole	
Safety	Top of boat ramp	1	Painted aluminum on painted steel post.	Fair	BEWARE SUBMERGED OBJECTS	Paint flaking	
Regulatory	Lower end of boat ramp	1	Painted aluminum on wood post in bucket (designed to be moved as water level recedes).	Fair	VEHICLE TRAVEL PROHIBITED ALONG LAKESHORE	Paint flaking	
Regulatory	Lower end of boat ramp	1	Painted aluminum on wood post (designed to be moved as water level recedes).	Fair	NO PARKING	Paint flaking	