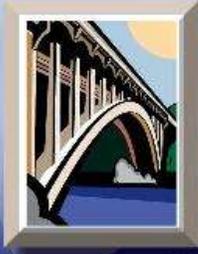


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Folsom Lake Crossing weekday closures begin Oct. 24

Folsom Lake Crossing Road between Natoma Street and Folsom Auburn Road will be closed from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. weekdays beginning Oct. 24. The temporary closures are intended to protect the public during blasting to excavate portions of the new Folsom Dam auxiliary spillway.

- **Motorists** are advised to take alternate routes between 1:30 and 2:30 weekdays.
- **Cyclists and pedestrians** should be aware that access will be restricted beginning at 12:30 p.m. and ending at 2:30 p.m.

Detour signs will be posted with alternate routes during the closure window. Blasting operations and related road closures will not take place on weekends or holidays.

The auxiliary spillway project is part of the Joint Federal Project, a \$900-million cooperative effort between the US Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, Central Valley Flood Protection Board, California Department of Water Resources and the Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency to improve the safety of Folsom Dam and reduce flood risk for the Sacramento area.

Additional information and project videos are posted at

<http://www.spk.usace.army.mil/Missions/CivilWorks/FolsomDamAuxiliarySpillway.aspx>

Help create holiday magic at Folsom Zoo

Folsom's popular Wild Nights & Holiday Lights event at the Folsom Zoo Sanctuary needs volunteer decorators and carolers. Sign up with family and friends to decorate a section of the Zoo or a tree in the enchanted forest. Bring your caroling group and sing your favorite holiday songs.

Wild Nights & Holiday Lights Volunteers

Decorate a Section of the Zoo – Saturday, Nov. 16 (rain date Nov. 30)

We'll supply the lights and you provide the hanging power. Gather a group of four to 10 helpers (no children under 8 years please), a few tools and some holiday spirit.

Decorate a Tree – Saturday, Nov. 30 or Saturday, Dec. 7

The trees in the enchanted forest are waiting to be lit and decorated by local organizations, businesses and families. We supply the tree and you supply the lights and decorations, and decorate it in your own special way. Decorating groups may be up to four persons per tree (no children under 8 years).

Bring your Caroling Group – Dec. 7 – 8 and Dec. 13 - 23

Sign up to delight the public with your favorite holiday songs on one or more event nights.

Register to Decorate or Sing

Visit <http://folsomparksrec.wufoo.com/forms/wild-nights-and-holiday-lights-2013/> to register. For more information, email mrobitaille@folsom.ca.us.

1,000 pumpkins, jousters, Vets Parade & more

21st Annual Folsom Renaissance Faire, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Oct. 19 & 20, Folsom City Lions Park. Hundreds of actors in period costume and character, food & drink, handmade crafts, entertainment provided by jousters, musicians and merrymakers. Visit www.folsomfaire.com for tickets.

Night of 1,000 Pumpkins, Historic Sutter Street will be closed to traffic from 6 – 10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 25 for this family event. See lit, carved pumpkins; watch family friendly Halloween movies under the stars; and trick or treat at Sutter Street merchants. Learn more at www.historicfolsom.org.

Community Drug Take Back at Folsom Police Department, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 26. See first page for details.

Halloween Bash at Folsom Senior Center, 11:30 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 31, 48 Natoma St. Bring a brown bag lunch or make a lunch reservation with Senior Nutrition by calling (916) 351-3386. For more information about the event, call (916) 351-3510.

Police Department Open House, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 2, 46 Natoma St. Meet the Police Chief, see the Mounted Unit, watch K9 and motorcycle demonstrations, view equipment used by SWAT Teams, and tour the station. Donations of non-perishable food will be accepted for the Twin Lakes Food Bank.

Ice Skating returns to Historic Folsom Nov. 8. Visit www.historicfolsom.org for details.

Folsom Veterans Day Parade, 9 a.m. Monday, Nov. 11. Theme: Remembering our Korean War Veterans. Grand Marshal: Army Sergeant Major Charles Linden.

Playtime: the Art of Toys art exhibit opening reception 6 – 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 15, Gallery at 48 Natoma. Free and open to the public with live music and refreshments. Community Gallery display features Folsom Focus Photography Contest entries. Call (916) 355-7285.

Got drugs? Dispose safely on Oct. 26

Prevent pill abuse and theft by ridding your home of potentially dangerous expired, unused and unwanted prescription drugs on Saturday, Oct. 26. Bring your excess medications to the Folsom Police Station, 46 Natoma St., between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. for disposal. The service is free and anonymous, no questions asked.

**Community Drug Take Back Event
Folsom Police Department
46 Natoma Street
10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 26**

Sponsored by the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) and Folsom Police Department, the Community Drug Take Back event addresses public health and public safety issues.

- Medicines that languish in home cabinets are highly susceptible to diversion, misuse and abuse. Rates of prescription drug abuse in the U.S. are high, as are the number of accidental poisonings and overdoses due to these drugs.
- Flushing unused medications down the toilet or throwing them in the trash pose potential safety and health hazards.

Last April, Americans turned in 371 tons of prescription drugs at over 5,800 sites operated by the DEA and its thousands of state and local law enforcement partners.

Andersen now Deputy City Manager

Folsom City Manager Evert Palmer recently announced the promotion of Elaine Andersen to the position of Deputy City Manager. Andersen, a long-time Folsom resident, previously served as Assistant to the City Manager.

“This new position recognizes Elaine’s important role in keeping our organizational machine running effectively,” said Palmer. “As Deputy City Manager, Elaine now has responsibility for strategy development and organizational oversight. Elaine has served the City with distinction for the past nine years, and I look forward to her contributions in this new role.”

Andersen previously worked for the City of Sacramento in the City Manager’s Office, Department of Transportation and Public Works Department. She also worked for the Nelson Communications Group, the State Department of Finance and the State Treasurer’s Office. Andersen has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from the University of California at Berkeley, where she was a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

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