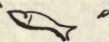
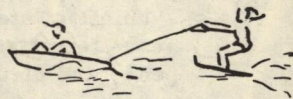


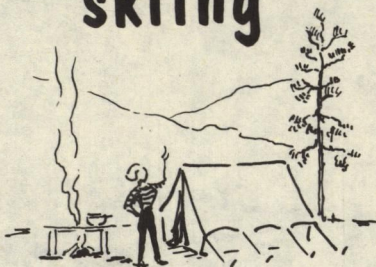
Reclamation's Role in RECREATION



The Bureau of Reclamation
offers you...

fishing
hunting
camping
skiing

sightseeing
hiking
boating
picnicking



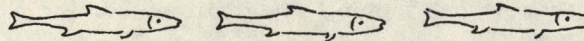
RECREATION on Reclamation Projects

"America the Beautiful" offers her citizens and their visitors a prime package of outdoor activities at 191 recreation areas on Reclamation projects in the 17 Western States. The multipurpose projects provide for many of our essential needs --chiefly water and electricity--and they also serve to satisfy our equally important needs for peace and pleasure. Man is multipurpose, too, requiring not only bread to nourish his body, but healthful recreation to delight his spirit; he should play as well as work.

At Reclamation projects he can enjoy some of the most breathtaking scenery in the world; can fish, swim, boat, hike, hunt, picnic, or just loaf in the sun; and then at night can experience the deep contentment of making camp and dropping asleep to the sound of rippling water and chirping crickets instead of the clamorous klaxoning of city streets outside his window.

As life rushes along in an ever-faster tempo, Americans are turning more and more to outdoor recreation; about 90 percent today participate in some form of open-air sports. The 27 million recreation seekers who annually visit Reclamation projects roughly equal the number of residents of New York, New Jersey, and Massachusetts.

Considering our constantly burgeoning population and the increasing leisure people have at their disposal, the public demand for recreation is snowballing; it is expected to triple by the turn of the century. To help accommodate the outdoor activities required by this expanded leisure time, the Bureau of Reclamation needs to step up its recreation program to develop additional opportunities for relaxation and fun for vacationers.

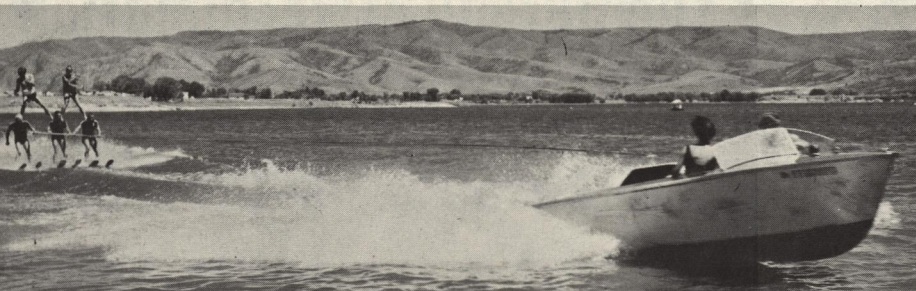


Superb Scenery

Daniel Webster once referred to what is now the Western United States as "that vast and worthless area--that region of savages and wild beasts, of deserts, of shifting sands and whirling winds, of dust, of cactus, of prairie dogs."

He should see that "worthless area" today! Reclamation has transformed it into a prosperous, thriving region by harnessing its rivers to irrigate the desert and semiarid reaches. At the same time, it has added new wonders to our heritage of incomparable natural splendors.

The dams and reservoirs on Bureau projects are among the most imposing sights of a wealth of magnificent vistas that greet visitors to the recreation sites. Guided tours to many of the installations are available to vacationers, who are shown the workings of the impressive structures responsible for the beautiful manmade lakes, with their 9,000 miles of varied and spectacular shorelines.



Additional information on Reclamation recreation areas, including a complete listing, is available from:

The U. S. Department of the Interior
Bureau of Reclamation
Washington 25, D. C.



Everyone likes to fish

In the sparkling waters of the 191 reservoirs and other waterways on Reclamation projects, enthusiastic fishermen angle for trout, bass, walleyes, blue gills, steelheads, salmon and other species that make a sportsman's hands itch to wet a line.

About 5 million visitors to the projects try their luck annually and reel in enough fish to make a chowder that would fill a small-sized reservoir. Many of these lucky Waltonians cook their chowder --or fry their catch--on camp and picnic grounds within yards of where they pull in their fish. More land and facilities for public use adjoining the reservoirs would provide needed additional recreational opportunities for more fishermen and other seekers after healthful outdoor activities.

All visitors to the West are invited to join local anglers at Bureau of Reclamation projects for a few hours', or a day's--or a week's--piscatorial pleasure. The whole family can join in this sport. And there's no topping the thrill of landing a "whopper"!

