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Dear Project Manager:

My family and I have been Lake Mead boaters (1970's) and Echo Bay Trailer Village residents (1991). Lake Mead has been a very important part of our lives all these years, by spending our free time and vacations at the lake!

It makes no sense at all to remove the ability to boat at the lake, this option needs to remain for all the people that come visit one of the largest man-made lakes and dams in the United States. If NPS chooses to not build new infrastructure or maintain current resources based on low water levels it could jeopardize or completely eliminate the recreational experience of over 7 million visitors to Lake Mead and 4 million visitors to Lake Powell. People that come and enjoy fishing, playing, swimming, waterskiing and just relaxing!

I support the BlueRibbon Coalition's Path to 3588' Plan as it will address low water levels in Lake Powell and Lake Mead. I oppose BOR's current path of liquidating these reservoirs to the point of crisis.

Outdoor recreation generates billions of dollars each year. NPS estimates that both Lake Mead and Lake Powell produce almost \$500 million in direct economic impact to gateway communities.

I do not support any of the proposals identified in Concept 3 of the NPS plan that would remove all infrastructure and facilities. Concept 3 completely ignores the current and future needs of the public and should not be considered. I strongly support any concept proposed by NPS that makes the necessary adaptations to keep facilities open to serve the public.

Have you seen the enormous bridges suspended over vast mountain ranges in China? We have the ability and manpower available to create waterways, pumping stations, and pipelines to move water from the flood soaked areas east of the Rockies to the parched dry water starved areas west.

When is our brilliant government going to start keeping billions of dollars here in the United States and fix our problems, instead of sending aid and trillions of dollars to other countries ahead of helping our own.

Please take action to save boating!

#save our lakes
#save Lake Mead
#save Lake Powell
#save boating on Mead

Sincerely,

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