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URBAN YOUTH CAN FISH CLOSE TO HOME

Lincoln Park will host a derby on June 6 for children ages 6-15

LOS ANGELES – Children ages 6-15 are invited to participate in a free youth fishing event on Saturday, June 6, 2009 at Lincoln Park Lake, a City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks facility located at 3501 Valley Blvd., near downtown.

This activity is designed to give boys and girls who live in urban areas an opportunity to enjoy a fishing experience in or close to their own neighborhood, with poles, reels, tackle, bait, and assistance provided. Event-day onsite registration will begin at 8:00 a.m.; the fishing session will be 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., followed by a congratulatory ceremony and drawing.

Anglers age 16 or older can fish at the end of the event, but they must have a valid California State Fishing License; a valid California Driver License is needed to rent a pole.

The Department of Recreation and Parks is co-sponsoring the derby with the Daniel Hernandez Youth Foundation, the California Department of Fish and Game, Councilmember Ed P. Reyes (1st District, in which Lincoln Park is located), the Los Angeles Police Department, the Los Angeles City Fire Department, and other partners.

For more information about the event, call Lincoln Park at (213) 847-1726.

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