



# **CAL FIRE/Butte County Fire**

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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### ***CAL FIRE AND CALIFORNIA ARMY NATIONAL GUARD HOLD ANNUAL WATER RESCUE TRAINING ON FEATHER RIVER***

**Butte County** – CAL FIRE and the California Army National Guard will hold joint water rescue training exercises on Thursday, May 11th at the Thermalito Afterbay near the Afterbay's Larkin Road Launch ramp.

This special training will involve teams of water rescuers and helicopters from CAL FIRE, California Army National Guard, Sacramento Metro Fire Department, BCSO and CHP and include teams of CAL FIRE rescuers that will travel from throughout the state to participate in week-long advanced water rescue training.

The training is designed to enhance the level of training for both rescuers and pilots and increase the interoperability between agencies.

The Larkin Road Launch Ramp to the Thermalito Afterbay on the Oroville Wildlife Area will be closed to the public for the duration of the training.

The California Highway Patrol, Department of Water Resources and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife will also assist in the training exercises.

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