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Dear MERCO/McLane cycling enthusiast:

The Merced Irrigation District is excited to be a sponsor of the 2011 MERCO Credit Union Cycling Classic Presented by McLane Pacific. We offer you a hearty welcome to Merced County and are eager to see the start of the first MID Road Race along the scenic and challenging course established in the Sierra Nevada foothills above Merced.

In addition to providing the location of the new Road Race, MID is in a unique position to offer you numerous recreation opportunities during your stay, including a campsite along two of the most spectacular lakes to be found in California, Lakes McClure and McSwain.

As our guest, you will have opportunities for boating, fishing, hiking or just plain relaxing before or after the race along our 80 miles of shoreline. We offer both tent camping and full hookups for those with RVs. The lakes are fed by the waters of the Merced River after they flow west from famed Yosemite Valley.

Our facilities are just up the road from the Individual Time Trials, Downtown Grand Prix and Almond Blossom Road Race. Day use to access our recreation areas is \$7 per car. Overnight campsites are \$22 per night. Sites with electricity for RVs and trailers cost just \$28 per night.

For more information, please call the Parks Administration Headquarters at **209-378-2521** or visit **lakemclure.com**. **Reservations** can be made by calling **1-800-468-8889**.

Again, welcome to Merced County. We could not be more excited to sponsor the MID Road Race and welcome you to our community. During your stay, we hope you will find the time to take advantage of the leisure and recreation we offer along Lakes McClure and McSwain.

Sincerely,

James "J" Mills
Director of Parks & Recreation
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