

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA



**PROCLAMATION**

For many Californians, summer's warm weather means the time has arrived to dust off the hiking boots and lather on the sun screen. Nature beckons, and nowhere on earth is its call more enticing than right here in California. Our state is home to expansive beaches, emerald waters and beautiful, adventure-filled trails that meander through mountains and valleys. We are fortunate that our opportunities to bond with Mother Nature and her bounty are practically limitless.

Spending time in the great outdoors is terrific for your heart, your lungs and your entire body. Swimming, hiking, biking and a host of other activities are wonderful ways to exercise, and also provide a fantastic opportunity to step back from the daily grind, refocus and enjoy our environment. John Muir, California's legendary naturalist, said that when we breathe in the fresh air of the outdoors, "the cares of mere business will be quenched like the fires of a sinking ship."

Along with the great recreational resources we enjoy comes great responsibility to care for them. During this month, we honor the dedicated individuals who volunteer and work to maintain trails, restore wildlife habitats, plant trees and participate in a variety of other programs that sustain the outdoors. These men and women have my utmost gratitude for their service, and I urge all Californians to do everything in their power to preserve our environment not only for our own enjoyment, but for the enjoyment of generations to come.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER**, Governor of the State of California, do hereby proclaim June 2007, as "Great Outdoors Month" in California.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** I have here unto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 23rd day of May 2007.

Handwritten signature of Arnold Schwarzenegger in black ink.

Arnold Schwarzenegger  
GOVERNOR OF CALIFORNIA

Attest:

Handwritten signature of Debra Bowen in black ink.

Debra Bowen  
SECRETARY OF STATE