

# **REC Watercraft Rentals**

The REC Center currently rents sit-on-top kayaks, canoe, stand-up paddle boards (SUP) and paddle boats. All watercraft above are stored near the Auke Lake dock, either locked to the dock itself or secured in the boat slips near the dock. All lake craft are to remain on Auke Lake and are not to be transported to the ocean or Mendenhall Lake.

#### All Recreational Watercraft

When using watercraft on Auke Lake, be sure to stay away from homes along shore and to remain off beaches and/or waterfront property as a courtesy to our neighbors on the lake. To the south of the dock is a culvert that goes under Glacier Highway. While the small lake near the bridge is find to explore be sure to stay away from the culvert near the road as currents can be strong. All renters are to properly wear a personal flotation device (PFD). If damage is observed before use, be sure to call the REC desk so damages are not seen as your own. Return craft and secure in matching slip and/or dock lock. Secure lock when watercraft are in use.

### **Kayaks**

Each person using a kayak is to properly wear a PFD. The sit-on-top kayaks are locked to the dock through the bow (front) molded handle. When unlocking the kayak be sure to store the key in a safe place so you



can return with paddle and PFD when done. Secure lock to dock when kayak is in use. If damage is observed before use. be sure to call the REC desk so damages are not seen as your own.

## Paddle Boards (SUP)

When using a SUP you must properly wear a PFD and wear the ankle leash. The SUP's are stored in the boat storage up from the dock, against Hendrickson Annex. When unlocking the SUP slip, be sure to store the key in a safe place so you can return with paddle and PFD when done. If damage is observed

before use, be sure to call the REC desk so damages are not seen as your own. Secure lock to door when

SUP is use. When storing or laying the SUP down on the dock, be sure to do so with the skeg up. Never jump onto the board from the dock as the board is not



designed for this type of use and could snap in half.

TIPS: Start from the dock on your knees. Place paddle on one side and raise to your feet at a wide stance when a safe distance from the dock. At first the board will feel "tippy" till you adjust. Stay clear from branches and logs underwater as the board will come to a quick stop, likely resulting in your heading off the front of the board and into the lake. If riding SUP for the first time, it's a good idea to have a towel waiting for you at the dock. Clear pockets of all electronics!

#### Canoe

Each person in the canoe is to properly wear a PFD. The canoe is stored in the boat storage up from the dock, against Hendrickson Annex. When unlocking the Canoe slip, be sure to store the key in a safe place so you can return with paddle and PFD(s) when done. Secure lock to door when canoe is use. The canoe tends to be "tippy", be sure not to lean over too far when paddling. Two people are recommended when carrying the canoe down to the dock.