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Cleaning up the Res Cigarette butts, bottle caps and diapers, oh my!

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As part of a series of community service projects, Girl Scout Cadette Troop 30072 from Moraga helped beautify the Lafayette Reservoir by picking up litter around the edges of the water, on the docks and near the picnic areas. Their efforts have made the environment more pleasant for the ducks, birds, squirrels, rats, fish, dogs and other animals (including humans) that enjoy the Reservoir.

Some treasures found included fishing lures, bottles and bottle caps, tennis balls, cigarette butts, plates and utensils, broken glass, a dirty diaper and lots of other items that are harmful to the environment. Ranger Greg Francek provided terrific instruction and support throughout the day and helped the girls identify the best spots to do their work and avoid poison oak.

Ranger Supervisor Rod Tripp exclaimed, "Thanks for your help keeping the park clean!" The Girl Scouts hope to be back in the spring to continue their clean-up efforts.

From left, front: Josie, Kendall, Jessie; back: Ranger Greg, Kiera, Kyra, Lola, Kenna, Maria, Emilie, Juliet, and Clare Photo provided

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