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150 veterans who sustained disabilities while serving our nation to be introduced to sports designed specifically for individuals with disabilities

Sacramento, California, May 13, 2010—Brave men and women who proudly served this nation in war and sustained disabilities as a result of that service will be introduced to sports and recreational opportunities specifically designed for individuals with disabilities. The event, known as ***Thank You For Your Service***, will take place this **Saturday, May 15**, from **8:30 a.m.** to **4 p.m.** at **River Cats Independence Field - 2450 Meadowview Road**.

Thank You For Your Service will feature demonstrations of U.S. Paralympics-sanctioned sports, including Basketball, Cycling, Swimming, Javelin, Shot-put, and Discus. Participants will also compete in a wheelchair softball game.

Saturday's event is being organized by the Department's Access Leisure - Paralympic Sports Sacramento program and the United States Army Community Based Warrior Transition Unit - California. Paralympic Sport Clubs from San Jose, Berkeley and Lake Tahoe will provide support during the event.

Details

Event Name: ***Thank You For Your Service: demonstration of sports and recreational opportunities for veterans with disabilities***

Visuals: Veterans learning about and trying out competitive and recreational sports that can enhance their health and well-being.

Special Guests: Army veterans and their families, Councilmember Bonnie Pannell, Lieutenant Colonel Daniel J. Dudek, Commander, Warrior Transition Battalion, Madigan Army Medical Center; and Stan Atkinson

Date: Saturday, May 15

Time: 8:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Location: River Cats Independence Field, located at Pannell Meadowview Community Center - 2450 Meadowview Road

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