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Opened August 9, 1942 at Lake Pend d'Orielle, Idaho's largest military facility was equipped to accommodate 30,000 sailors housed in six camps. Almost ten times that number came through Farragut Naval Training Station during its fifteen months of major operation. Decommissioned in June 1946, it was transformed into an Idaho State Park capable of hosting large assemblies of visitors. Beginning with a National Girl Scout Roundup in 1965, it expanded to accept an International Boy Scout Jamboree in 1967. National Boy Scout Jamborees followed in 1969 and 1973. An adjacent community of Bayview has some interesting features of steamboat transportation that go back to gold rush days after 1864. A visitor center and other interpretive facilities provide interesting historical information concerning this important state park area.

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