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## Corps to host public meeting for the Lake O' the Pines Master Plan revision

*FORT WORTH, Texas* – The Fort Worth District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) will host two public meetings on April 25<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> to provide information and receive public input as it prepares to revise the Master Plan for Lake O' The Pines.

The two meetings will be identical and are being held at two separate locations for the convenience of the public. The meeting on **April 25<sup>th</sup> will be held at the City of Jefferson Office of Tourism, 305 E. Austin St., Jefferson, TX 75657.**

The meeting on **April 27<sup>th</sup> will be at the Longview Public Library, 222 W. Cotton St., Longview, TX 75601.** Both meetings will have a brief presentation at 6:00 p.m. At the conclusion of the presentation there will be time for the public to view maps, ask questions and provide comments about the project.

USACE defines the Master Plan as the strategic land use management document that guides the comprehensive management and development of all recreational, natural, and cultural resources throughout the life of the water resource development project.

The Master Plan study area will include Lake O' the Pines proper and all adjacent recreational and natural resources properties under USACE administration. Revision of the Master Plan **will not** address in detail the technical operational aspects of the reservoir related to the water supply or flood risk management missions of the project. Lake O' the Pines is a multi-purpose reservoir constructed and managed for flood risk management, water supply, fish and wildlife, and recreation.

The current Master Plan for Lake O' the Pines was prepared as an update to the 1975 Master Plan in May of 1989 and is in need of revision to address changes in regional land use, population, outdoor recreation trends and USACE management policy.

Key topics to be addressed in the revised Master Plan include revised land classifications, new natural and recreational resource management objectives, recreation facility needs and special topics such as invasive species management. Public participation is critical to the successful revision of the Master Plan.

Questions pertaining to the proposed revision can be addressed to: Matthew Like, Lake Manager, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 2669 FM 726, Jefferson, Texas 75657, (903) 665-2336, ext. 33.

**About the Fort Worth District:** The Fort Worth District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers was established in 1950. The District is responsible for water resources development in two-thirds of Texas, and design and construction at military installations in Texas and parts of Louisiana and New Mexico. Visit the Fort Worth District Web site at: [www.swf.usace.army.mil](http://www.swf.usace.army.mil) and SWF Facebook at: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Fort-Worth-District-US-Army-Corps-of-Engineers/188083711219308>.

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