

## **Comment Form Instructions**

US Army Corps of Engineers® Joe Pool Lake, Texas Master Plan Revision Public Information Meeting

30 day comment period 23 May through 23 June 2017

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is in the process of revising the Joe Pool Lake Master Plan. The master plan revision will guide the land and recreational management of the federally owned property that make up the lake and its shoreline for the next 25 years. Management activities include protecting natural and cultural resources, providing public land and water recreation, promoting visitor safety, and ensuring that land and recreation management is compatible with reservoir and dam operations. A map of the current land classifications/uses can be found on the back of the comment form for reference. Public input is especially needed regarding revised land use classifications and preparation of management objectives and plans. Definitions and examples of these terms are provided in the presentation noted below.

To add your comments, ideas, or concerns about the future land and recreational management for Joe Pool Lake, comments can be submitted using any of the following methods:

- fill out and return a comment form available at <a href="http://www.swf.usace.army.mil/About/Lakes-and-Recreation-Information/Master-Plan-Updates">http://www.swf.usace.army.mil/About/Lakes-and-Recreation-Information/Master-Plan-Updates</a>
- provide comments in an email message or use comment form and send to: joepool-mp@usace.army.mil
- provide comments in a letter or use comment form and mail to:

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The Joe Pool Lake Master Plan Revision public meeting presentation, current land classification map, and February 1981 Master Plan is available for download at: http://www.swf.usace.army.mil/About/Lakes-and-Recreation-Information/Master-Plan-Updates

Thank you for your participation in helping develop the Master Plan for Joe Pool Lake.

## **Future Land and Water Surface Classification Definitions**

- **Project Operations** = lands required for the dam, spillway, levees, dikes, offices, maintenance facilities, and other areas that are used solely for the operation of the project.
- **High Density Recreation** = lands developed for intensive recreational activities for the visiting public including day use and/or campgrounds. These could be areas for commercial concessions and comprehensive resort development.
- **Mitigation** = only used for lands with an allocation of Mitigation. No such lands exist at Joe Pool Lake.
- Environmentally Sensitive Areas = areas where scientific, ecological, cultural or aesthetic features have been identified.
- **Multiple Resource Management Lands** = classification allows for the designation of a predominate use as described below, with the understanding that other compatible uses described below may also occur on these lands.
  - Low Density Recreation = lands with minimal development or infrastructure that support passive recreational use (primitive camping, fishing, hunting, trails, wildlife viewing, etc.).
  - *Wildlife Management* = lands designated for stewardship of fish and wildlife resources.
  - Vegetative Management = lands designated for stewardship of forest, prairie, and other native vegetative cover.
  - Future or Inactive Recreation Areas = areas with site characteristics compatible with potential future recreational development or recreation areas that are closed. Several future recreation areas currently exist at Joe Pool Lake.
- Water Surface = areas of the water surface that have specific restrictions and/or recreational uses as described below. .
  - *Restricted* = water areas restricted for project operations, safety, and security purposes
  - *Designated No-Wake* = to protect environmentally sensitive shoreline areas, recreational water access areas from disturbance, and for public safety.
  - Fish and Wildlife Sanctuary = annual or seasonal restrictions on areas to protect fish and wildlife species during periods of migration, resting, feeding, nesting, and/or spawning.
  - Open Recreation = those waters available for year round or seasonal waterbased recreational use.