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Comment Form Instructions

**Whitney Lake, Texas
Master Plan Revision
Draft Report**

30 day comment period beginning 7 June until 8 July, 2016

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is in the process of revising the Whitney 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 reservoir and dam operations.

The draft of the Whitney Lake Master Plan revision has been prepared and is available for review and receipt of public and agency comments. During the draft comment period the public and agencies are encouraged to review and provide additional comments regarding the revised land use classifications, management objectives, proposed management plans, and accompanying draft Environment Assessment. The comment period is open for 30 days, starting 7 June and ending 8 July, 2016.

Public comments regarding the contents of the draft Whitney Lake Master Plan and Environmental Assessment can be submitted using any of the following methods:

- fill out and return a comment form available at <http://www.swf.usace.army.mil/About/LakesandRecreationInformation/MasterPlanUpdates/WhitneyLake.aspx>
- provide comments in an email message or use comment form and send to: whitneylakeemp@usace.army.mil
- provide comments in a letter or use comment form and mail to:

Mr. Billy Haferkamp, Project Manager, CESWF-OD-R, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Whitney Lake Office
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- drop off comment form or letter at the Whitney Lake Project office located at: 285 CR 3602, Clifton, Texas 76634

The draft Whitney Lake Master Plan revision and environmental assessment, and public meeting presentation and Lake Map is available for download at:

<http://www.swf.usace.army.mil/About/LakesandRecreationInformation/MasterPlanUpdates/WhitneyLake.aspx>

A hardcopy of the draft Master Plan and Environmental Assessment is also available for review at Whitney Lake project office located at: 285 CR 3602, Clifton, Texas 76634

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

Land and Water Surface Classification Definitions

- **Project Operations** = lands required for the dam, spillway, switchyard, 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 Whitney 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. Until there is an opportunity to develop or reopen these areas, they will be managed for multiple resources. No such areas exist at Whitney 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 water-based recreational use.