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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to host public meetings for Lake O' the Pines Master Plan revision

FORT WORTH, Texas – The Fort Worth District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will be hosting two public meetings at 6:00 p.m on July 10 and 11 to provide information and receive public input toward the final draft revision of the Master Plan for Lake O' the Pines.

The July 10 meeting will be held at the City of Jefferson Office of Tourism, 305 E. Austin St., Jefferson, Texas 75657.

The July 11 meeting will be held at the Longview Public Library, 222 W. Cotton St., Longview, Texas 75601.

At the conclusion of the presentation there will be an opportunity for the public to view maps, ask questions and provide comments about the Lake O' the Pines Master Plan.

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. Public participation is critical to the successful revision of the Master Plan.

The Master Plan study area will include Lake O' the Pines proper and all adjacent recreational and natural resources properties under USACE administration. 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 dated May of 1989 was prepared as an update to the 1975 Master Plan 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 and threatened and endangered species management. Revision of the Master Plan will not address in detail the technical operational aspects of the reservoir related to the water supply, flood risk management, or shoreline management permitting missions of the project.

Questions pertaining to the proposed revision can be addressed to: Matthew Seavey, Lake Manager, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 2669 FM 726, Jefferson, Texas 75657, (903) 665-2336, ext. 33, and Ms. Rhonda Fields, Project Manager, CESWF-PEC-TP, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Fort Worth District, P.O. Box 17300, Fort Worth, TX 76102-0300, (817) 886-1681.

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