Canyon Lake Master Plan Public Information Meeting to Present Draft Revision July 20, 2017

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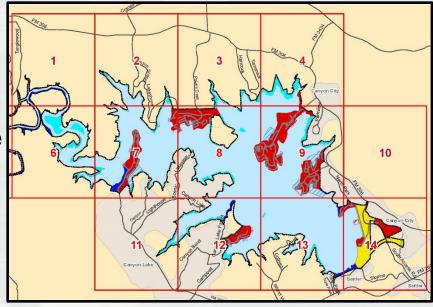
Purpose of this Meeting

 Announce the availability of the draft revision of the Canyon Lake Master Plan and accompanying Environmental

Assessment.

 Highlight changes proposed in the revised Master Plan compared to the previous 1970 version.

Provide the public the opportunity to meet with USACE staff to review and discuss Master Plan recommendations.



 The draft Master Plan with Environmental Assessment is available for 30-day public comment beginning July 20, 2017

Process Followed to Date

- Initial public meeting was held March 18, 2016 to announce preparation of a Master Plan Revision for Canyon Lake
- Public and agency comments were received during a 30-day comment period from March 18 thru April 18
- All public and agency comments received were reviewed and considered in the preparation of the draft Master Plan Revision. (see Chapter 7 of the draft for comments and Government response)
- A Draft Environmental Assessment was prepared and is included in the Master Plan Revision as Appendix B



Public/Agency Comments Summary

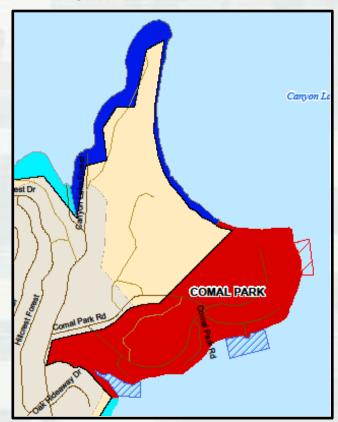
TOPIC	COMMENTS		
Shoreline Management Mowing, etc.	 Allow private docks Don't allow private docks Allow increased shoreline access for fishing, etc. Manage brush along the boundary line 		
Communication	 Better communication needed between USACE and local residents Need more local input into lake operations Better publication of information about amenities such as trails, wildlife 		
Park Areas and Recreation Facilities	 Keep parks open year round Give local residents free access Improve maintenance of parks Designate dog parks More playgrounds needed Improve North Park for scuba divers Barrier free, universal access within park areas 		
Natural Resources and Aesthetics	 Keep the lake natural Reduce light pollution Reduce noise pollution from boats and visitors Take action to reduce water pollution 		
Boating	 Concerned about summer congestion on the water Boat ramps are congested, need more parking Encourage eco-friendly water sports like sailing, canoeing Let marinas add more slips Extend boat ramps for low water conditions 		

Principal Changes from Current Master Plan to Revised Plan

- Changes to Land Classifications
 - ➤ Shift from old "Aesthetic Area"

 Classification to Low Density

 Recreation
 - Classification of 338 acres as Environmentally Sensitive Areas
- Comprehensive New
 Land Management Objectives



Example of Land Classification Map



Land Classification Definitions

Land Classification	Definition		
Project Operations	Those lands required for the dam, operations center, office, maintenance compound and other areas that are used solely for project operations		
High Density Recreation	Land developed for intensive recreational activities by the visiting public, including developed recreation areas and areas for marinas and related concessions, and resorts		
	Low Density Recreation: Activities such as hiking, primitive camping, wildlife observation, and hunting		
Multiple Resource	Wildlife Management General: Fish and wildlife management activities		
Management	Vegetative Management : Management activities for the protection and development of a specific vegetative cover		
Environmentally Sensitive Areas	Areas where scientific, ecological, cultural or aesthetic features have been identified. These areas must be considered by management to ensure they are not adversely impacted		

Change in Land Classifications and Acreage

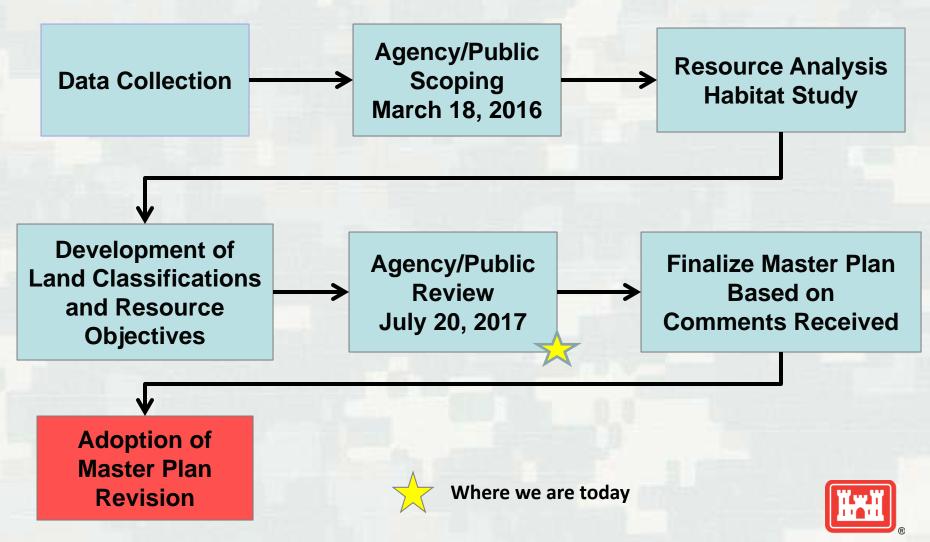
1970 Land Classifications	Acreage	New Classifications	Acreage	Net Difference
Project Operations	333	Project Operations	333	0
Recreation Areas Priority 1, 2, 3, and 4 areas	1,550	High Density Recreation	1,497	(53)
		Environmentally Sensitive Area	338	338
Aesthetic and Multiple Use Recreation	1,382	Multiple Resource Management - Low Density Recreation	1,097	(285)
Permanent Pool	8,036		8,036	0
Flowage Easement	3,620		3,620	0

Management Goals & Resource Objectives

- Chapter 3 of the Master Plan
- Consists of 5 Goals (broad generalized statements)
- Consists of 5 Resource Objective Categories
 - ▶ Recreational Objectives
 - ▶ Natural Resource Management Objectives
 - ▶ Visitor Information, Education, and Outreach Objectives
 - ▶ General Management Objectives
 - ▶ Cultural Resource Management Objectives



The Master Planning Process



Next Steps

Public and agency comments due on draft	August 21, 2017
Comments considered and incorporated	Sept - Oct 2017
Internal Review of Final Master Plan and EA	November 2017
Final Approval by District Engineer	Nov - Dec 2017
Notice to Public of Final Master Plan	December 2017



How to Participate

- Visit with Corps staff at conclusion of presentation.
- Review the draft Master Plan. It is posted on the Corps' website provided on the comment forms. A printed copy is available at the Corps' Canyon Lake Office and at Tye Preston Memorial Library.
- Pick up a comment form tonight and follow instructions for submitting written comments. Verbal comments cannot be considered. Comments are due by close of business on August 21, 2017



This concludes the presentation. Again you are encouraged to meet with USACE team members for further discussion. Thank you for your time and willingness to participate.



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