

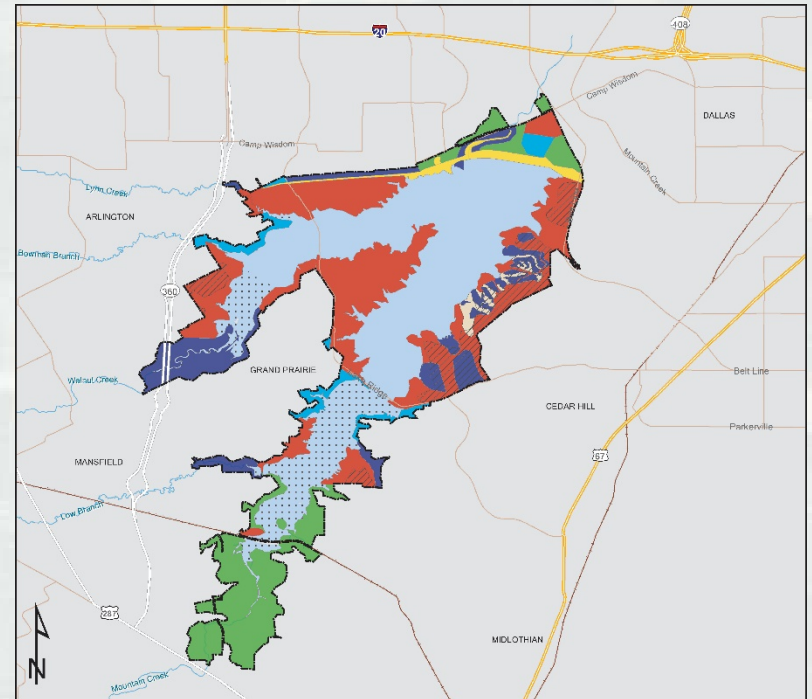
Joe Pool Lake Lake Master Plan Public Information Meeting Presentation of Final Draft Revision July 31, 2018

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Purpose of this Meeting

- Announce the availability of the draft revision of the Joe Pool Lake Master Plan and accompanying Environmental Assessment.
- Highlight changes proposed in the revised Master Plan compared to the previous 1981 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 31, 2018



Process Followed to Date

- Initial public meeting was held May 23, 2017 to announce preparation of a Master Plan Revision for Joe Pool Lake
- Public and agency comments were received during a 30-day comment period from May 23 thru June 23
- Subsequent workshops held with TPWD and Grand Prairie
- 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)
- Wildlife habitat evaluation completed for entire lake area
- A Draft Environmental Assessment was prepared and is included in the Master Plan Revision as Appendix B



What Master Plans Are Not

- Master Plans **do not** address in detail the technical aspects of
 - ▶ Regional water quality
 - ▶ Water management for flood risk management,
 - ▶ Water supply or water level management
 - ▶ Shoreline management



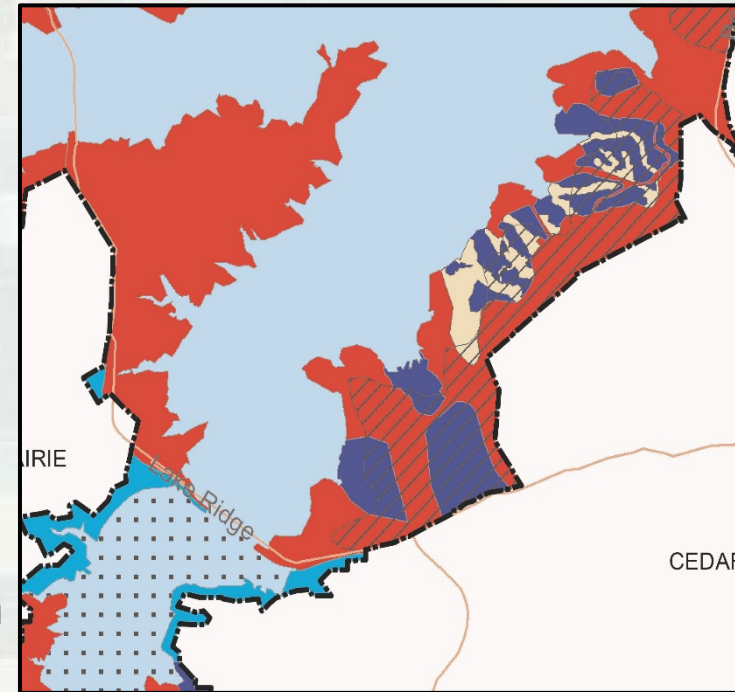
Public/Agency Comments Summary

TOPIC	COMMENTS
Land Classification Changes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Grand Prairie requested their parks be classified as High Density Recreation• Grand Prairie requested additional land be added to Estes Park• TPWD furnished a map showing areas in Cedar Hill State Park that they requested to be classified as Environmentally Sensitive Areas or areas emphasizing vegetation management for native prairie habitat.• A citizen requested that existing greenspaces be protected from development and that natural areas be expanded
Natural Resources Management and Protection	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Texas Parks and Wildlife Department requested that their online and published resources be used to identify existing or potential sensitive resources on USACE lands at Joe Pool Lake.
Marinas	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Grand Prairie requested to be involved in any discussion regarding the addition of a marina at Joe Pool Lake• TPWD requested to retain authority to place another marina within Cedar Hill State Park to replace the marina that was removed in 2017• A citizen recommended that USACE execute a direct lease for a new marina in Cedar Hill State Park to enable the sale of alcohol



Principal Changes from Current Master Plan to Revised Plan

- Changes to Land Classifications
 - ▶ Small reduction in lands available for High Density Recreation
 - ▶ Classification of 1,507 acres as Environmentally Sensitive Areas
 - ▶ Strategic areas changed from Wildlife Management to Low Density Recreation
- Comprehensive New Land Management Objectives
- Established 7 Utility Corridors

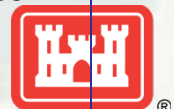


Example of Land Classification Map



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
Multiple Resource Management Land	Low Density Recreation: Activities such as hiking, primitive camping, wildlife observation, and hunting
	Wildlife Management: Fish and wildlife management activities
	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

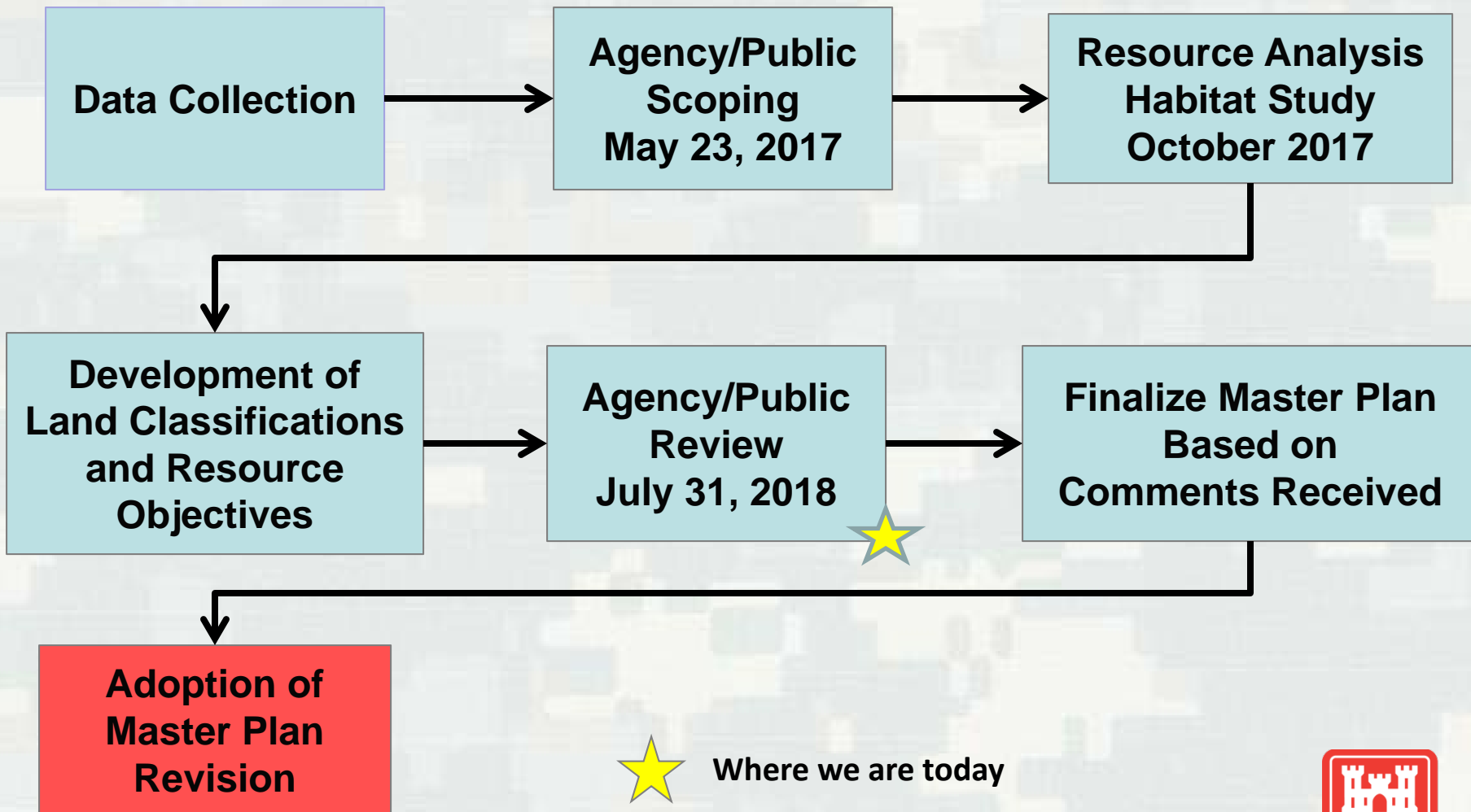
1981 Land Classifications	Acreage	New Classifications	Acreage
Project Operations	309	Project Operations	308
Recreation –High Use (includes Recreation High Use / Interim Wildlife	4,992	High Density Recreation	4,139
		Environmentally Sensitive Area	1,507
Recreation / Wildlife Management – Low Use	3,360	Multiple Resource Management - Low Density Recreation	
		Multiple Resource Management – Vegetation	157
		Multiple Resource Management - Wildlife	2,095

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



Where we are today



Next Steps

Public and agency comments due on draft	August 31, 2018
Comments considered and incorporated	Sept - 2018
Internal Review of Final Master Plan and EA	October 2018
Final Approval by District Engineer	Nov - Dec 2018
Notice to Public of Final Master Plan	December 2018



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. Following this meeting, a printed copy will be available during the 30-day comment period at the **Summit Activity Center, 2975 Esplanade, Grand Prairie, Texas 75052.**
- 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 31, 2018



This concludes the presentation. You are invited to meet with staff members for further discussion. Thank you for your time and willingness to participate.



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