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## Notice of Availability

## Draft Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact for the Proposed Expansion of Lone Star Lodge and Marina Ray Roberts Lake, Denton County, Texas

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Fort Worth District (USACE), hereby informs the public of the release of the Draft Environmental Assessment (DEA) and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the proposed expansion of Lone Star Lodge and Marina on Ray Roberts Lake, located in Denton County, Texas.

The proposed project and DEA for this action is authorized pursuant to the recreation development policies and procedures of ER 1130-2-550, including the requirement to complete this EA under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (NEPA) (42 U.S.C. 4321, et seq.). This DEA describes the environmental impacts associated with the proposed action. Ray Roberts Lake is owned by the United States Government and operated by the USACE.

The proposed project is located within the south portion of Ray Roberts Lake State Park, Jordan Unit (RRLSPJU) on the southeast quadrant of Ray Roberts Lake at the terminus of Farm-to-Market (FM) 1192.

The purpose of the Lone Star Lodge and Marina project is to provide additional recreational facilities and an east access point to Ray Roberts Lake. The proposed marina and recreational additions would increase public access to the lake and allow for better utilization of the existing recreational facilities. The improvements would occur on a 60 acre parcel of land owned by USACE and leased for park and recreational purposes by the cities of Dallas and Denton; the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) manages the property as agent for the cities, with park amenities that have been constructed by concessionaires under contract with TPWD. A private contractor will be responsible for completing the improvements and private dollars would fund the investment.

The DEA and FONSI will be available for download starting September 1, 2020 at the following Fort Worth District website:

https://www.swf.usace.army.mil/Media/News-Releases/

In accordance with NEPA, and other applicable laws and regulations, a 30-day public comment period will begin on September 1, 2020 and end on October 1, 2020. Comments and questions pertaining to the proposed expansion of Lone Star Lodge and Marina can be sent to Mr. Aaron Howell, Natural Resource Manager, Fort Worth

District, via mail at U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 819 Taylor Street, Fort Worth, Texas 76102, or email at Aaron.W.Howell@usace.army.mil.

Sincerely,

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