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Public Notice

**Public Input for Somerville Lake Master Plan Revision,
Somerville Lake, Brazos River Basin
Burlleson, Lee, & Washington Counties, Texas**

The Fort Worth District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) is revising the Somerville Lake Master Plan. The public is invited to view a brief presentation describing the revision process, a map of current land classifications, and instructions on how to submit public comments at the following website:

<https://www.swf.usace.army.mil/About/Lakes-and-Recreation-Information/Master-Plan-Updates/Somerville-Lake/>

The public involvement process will be conducted online in lieu of face-to-face workshops due to the COVID-19 pandemic. All members of the public are encouraged to submit online comments and suggestions from **24 February** through **26 March 2021**. The presentation and online review materials will be available during the 30-day comment period.

A Master Plan is defined by USACE 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. In general, it defines "how" the resources will be managed for public use and resource conservation, and is a vital tool used by USACE to guide the responsible stewardship of USACE administered lands and resources for the benefit of present and future generations.

The current 1963 master plan was last updated in 1971 and is in need of a full 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, natural, cultural, and recreational resource management objectives, recreation facility needs, and special topics such as threatened and endangered species habitat. **Public participation is critical to the successful revision of the Master Plan.**

Questions pertaining to the proposed revision can be addressed to: **Russell Meier**, Lake Manager, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, m2swfodso@usace.army.mil, (979) 596-1622.

Sincerely,

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