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PUBLIC NOTICE

**DRAFT MASTER PLAN AND ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR
SOMERVILLE LAKE
BURLESON, LEE, AND WASHINGTON COUNTIES, TEXAS**

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Fort Worth District, hereby informs the public of the release of the draft Somerville Lake 2022 Master Plan (hereafter Plan), draft Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI), and draft Environmental Assessment (EA). This draft Plan is a 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. The current Plan for Somerville Lake, last approved in 1963, is in need of revision to address changes in regional land use, population, outdoor recreation trends, and the USACE management policy.

The draft Plan presents an inventory and analysis of land resources; resource management objectives; land use classifications; resource use plans for each land use classification; current and projected park facility needs; an analysis of existing and anticipated resource use; and influences expected on overall project operation and management.

In lieu of a face-to-face public meeting due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the USACE will provide a virtual presentation that gives an overview of the proposed changes to the current Somerville Lake Master Plan and instructions on submitting comments. A 30-day public comment period will begin May 6, 2022 and end on June 6, 2022. Public participation is critical to the successful revision of the Plan. The draft Plan, FONSI, EA, and comment instructions will be available for download starting May 5, 2022, at the following Fort Worth District website:

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

Comments, suggestions, and questions on the proposed revision can be submitted via email to m2swfodso@usace.army.mil or mailed to Russell Meier, Lake Manager, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 1560 Thornberry Drive, Somerville, Texas 77879.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jeffrey Pinsky".

Jeffrey F. Pinsky
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