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PUBLIC NOTICE

ULTIMATE RULE CURVE WRIGHT PATMAN LAKE BOWIE AND CASS COUNTIES, TEXAS

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Fort Worth District (USACE), in partnership with the non-Federal sponsor, the City of Texarkana (CoT), has initiated the Wright Patman Lake Ultimate Rule Curve (URC) National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) review process. This investigation is being conducted in furtherance of implementation of Contract DACW29-68-A-0103 (End State Agreement), which was approved on July 11, 1968 by the Secretary of the Army.

The current operating status of Wright Patman Lake provides storage space in the lake between 220.6' mean sea level (msl) and 227.5' msl for municipal and industrial water supply. The URC, also known as the End State Agreement, would provide storage space between 224.89' msl and 228.64' msl for municipal and industrial water supply. Implementation of the End State Agreement is contingent upon 1) the deliberate impoundment of Jim Chapman Lake (impounded September 28, 1991) and 2) mitigation of any environmental and cultural resource impacts resulting from the end state agreement. It should be noted that the investigation will only evaluate potential impacts as a result of the URC and will not include measures or alternatives from other projects that are not authorized by the End State Agreement.

Pursuant to Section 102 of the National Environmental Policy Act as implemented by the regulations promulgated by the Council on Environmental Quality (40 Code of Federal Regulations Parts 1500-1508 and USACE Engineering Regulation 200-2-2), a NEPA review document will be prepared to describe the affected environment, as well as analyze the potential direct and indirect environmental effects.

Our office would like to solicit any input you may have with respect to the Wright Patman Lake area, to assist us as we progress through the NEPA process. We look forward to receiving your comments. The USACE and CoT will hold a virtual-based public meeting on Thursday, June 3, 2021 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Please note that registration must be completed to access the public meeting at the link below. A unique link and access code will be provided to you upon completion of registration. You must register using the link below or you will not have the access information to attend the public scoping meeting.

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A 30-day public comment period begins on Thursday, June 3, 2021 and ends Saturday, July 3, 2021. Please address any comments by mail to Ms. Justyss Watson, Compliance Section, Environmental Branch, Regional Planning and Environmental Center, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 819 Taylor Street, P.O. Box 17300, Room 3A12, Fort Worth, TX 76102-0300, or by email at: Justyss.A.Watson@usace.army.mil

Sincerely,

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