



**US Army Corps
of Engineers**
Fort Worth District

PUBLIC NOTICE

Application No: 200300336
Project: Lake Ralph Hall
Applicant: Upper Trinity Regional Water District
Waterway: North Sulphur River
Issue Date: September 27, 2019
Expiration Date: October 27, 2019

REPLY TO:

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30-DAY NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS

Notice

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) Fort Worth District, Texas is announcing the availability of the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Lake Ralph Hall (LRH) project. The Corps is finalizing its evaluation of a Department of the Army permit application from the Upper Trinity Regional Water District (UTRWD). Permits are issued under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (Section 404), which regulates the placement of dredge or fill material in the nation's waters.

Final EIS

The Fort Worth District prepared the Final EIS to analyze the direct, indirect, and cumulative effects of the proposal. The purpose of the Final EIS is to provide decision-makers and the public with information pertaining to the Proposed Action and alternatives, and to disclose environmental impacts and identify mitigation measures to reduce impacts. The Final EIS was prepared in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended, and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' (Corps) regulations for NEPA implementation (33 Code of Federal Regulations [CFR] parts 230 and 325, Appendices B and C). It includes additional information, evaluation and responses to comments that were received on the Draft EIS which was released to the public for review October 5, 2018.

The Corps, Fort Worth District, Regulatory Branch is the lead federal agency responsible for the Final EIS and information contained in it will serve as the basis for a decision regarding issuance of a Section 404 permit. It also provides information for federal, state, and local agencies having jurisdictional responsibility for affected resources. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region

VI, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Forest Service, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and the Texas Historical Commission participated as cooperating agencies in the formulation of the Final EIS.

Copies of the Final EIS are available for review at the following locations:

- Ladonia City Hall, 100 Center Plaza, Ladonia, TX 75449.
- Wolfe City Public Library, 102 TX-11, Wolfe City, TX 75496.
- Commerce Public Library, 1210 Park Street, Commerce, TX 75428.
- Honey Grove Library, 500 N 6th Street, Honey Grove, TX 75466.
- Bonham Public Library, 305 E 5th Street, Bonham, TX 75418.
- Greenville Public Library, 1 Lou Finney Lane, Greenville, TX 75401
- Upper Trinity Regional Water District, 900 North Kealy Street, Lewisville, TX 75067.
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Fort Worth Regulatory Office, 819 Taylor Street, Fort Worth, TX 76102.

Electronic copies of the Final EIS may be obtained from the Fort Worth Regulatory Office or its website at <https://www.swf.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory/Permitting/Proposed-Lake-Ralph-Hall/>

The Corps is not requesting comments on the FEIS. However, any written comments on the Final EIS may be submitted by October 27, 2019 to:

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For additional information, please contact Mr. Peter at 817-886-1736 or visit the Fort Worth Regulatory Office website at <https://www.swf.usace.army.mil/Media/Public-Notices/>.