

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

General Information

Q. Where is your office located?

A. We are located at 2260 N. 2nd Street, Rogers, AR, 72756. Our office hours are 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except federal holidays. The Duty Room office hours are Monday through Wednesday, 8:00 a.m. until noon, and 1:00 p.m. until 4:30 p.m.

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Q. How can I obtain a map of Beaver Lake?

A. There are three types of maps available:

1) A topographical map, used primarily by fishermen and divers, was produced in 1944 prior to the impoundment of the lake. It is available at the Project Office for \$10.00 each.

2) A free lake map is available, which opens up into a color map of Beaver Lake. If you want more than 10 maps, they are available for twenty five cents each. These maps are available at the Beaver Project Office, or at the park attendant booth in each park.

3) Electronic Version: [Beaver Lake map](#) (PDF).

Q. What is the current lake level and current generation?

A. You may call (417) 336-5083 for a computer generated voice message of the current lake level or visit <http://swl.-wc.usace.army.mil>.

Q. Is there a power generation schedule available?

A. Yes. The Southwestern Power Administration has estimated generation schedules available. You can view their schedule at <http://www.swpa.gov/generation.htm>.

Q. Where can I get information about marinas on Beaver Lake?

A. Visit Beaver Lake web site at: <http://www.swl.usace.army.mil/parks/beaver/index.htm>

Q. How can I make a reservation for a campsite or picnic shelter at a US Army Corps of Engineers Recreation Area on Beaver?

A. The National Recreation Reservation Service is open year round to book your next stay on Beaver Lake. You can contact them toll free at 1-877-444-6777, or online at <http://www.recreation.gov>. You will be required to pay for your entire stay when you make the

reservation. Reservations cannot be made within two days of your expected arrival date, or more than 180 days in advance.

Q. How long may I stay at a campsite?

A. Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 327 that governs use at Corps of Engineers' campgrounds limits a stay to 14 consecutive days without written permission from the District Engineer or his designated representative. Applications for extensions to stay longer may be obtained at the park. Extensions are usually granted with consideration given to occupancy, demand, and season of the year

Q. Do I have to pay a fee for day use activities at US Army Corps of Engineers' Recreations Areas?

A. Yes. All developed recreation areas on Beaver Lake charge an area day use fee of \$4 per vehicle. The fee is reduced 50% if anyone in the vehicle has an America the Beautiful or Golden Age/Access Pass. An annual day use pass is available for \$30.00 (\$15.00 with America the Beautiful or Golden Age/Access Passports). This pass is good for unlimited visits 12 months from the date of purchase and is honored at all Corps of Engineers day-use recreation areas nationwide. The area fee is charged to anyone entering the park to utilize the facilities except for registered campers and marina customers that remain in the marina lease area.

Q. What if I get a Notice of Area/Day Use Fee Violation?

A. This notice was issued for failure to pay an authorized recreation use fee pursuant to Public Law 103-676 and constitutes a violation of the Code of Federal Regulations Title 36 327.23 (c) . This violation is punishable by a citation and a fine. To avoid being issued a citation, you must present the notice and purchase an annual pass within 7 days. You may purchase a Corps of Engineers Annual Day Use Pass for \$30. The passes may be purchased at any Beaver Lake park gatehouse or at the Beaver Project Office, 2260 N. 2nd Street, Rogers, AR, 72756.

Q. What is the America the Beautiful Senior Pass and Access Pass, and where can I purchase one?

A. The America the Beautiful Interagency Pass Program has been created as a revision to the Golden Passport Program. The Pass entitles the bearer to a reduction of the camping and day use fees by 50 % at Federal parks where camping and/or day use fees are charged. Under this program, persons age 62 years and older may purchase an America the Beautiful Senior Pass for \$10, which is good for a lifetime, at a National Park Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, or a Bureau of Reclamation managed area. Persons with permanent disabilities may obtain an America the Beautiful Access Pass from these same managed areas. The Corps of Engineers will NOT issue the America the Beautiful Senior or Access Pass. The Pea Ridge National Battlefield, which is located north of Rogers, AR on HWY 62, is the closest Federal Managed Area that issues America the Beautiful Passes.

Q. Does the Corps of Engineers still honor the Golden Age and Access Passport?

A. Yes the Corps of Engineers still honors both of these existing passes. If cards need to be replaced, you will need to purchase a America the Beautiful Pass.

Q. What is the Corps of Engineers Annual Day Pass, and where can I get one?

A. An Annual Pass allows visitors to enter the park's use areas without paying the daily \$ 4.00 area fee. The pass is honored at all Corps of Engineer's parks nationwide. For visitors that use the

parks on a frequent basis, the Annual Pass can mean a substantial savings. Not only does the pass offer a savings, but could mean entering the park without waiting in line. An Annual Day Use pass will cover one vehicle entering the park. The cost of the Annual Pass is \$30, and is valid for a year from the date of purchase. America the Beautiful, Golden Age and Golden Access card holders may purchase one annual pass per year at the discounted rate of \$15.

Q. How can I receive a visitor information packet?

A. You can contact the Beaver Lake Project Office by writing to:
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Beaver Project Office
2260 N 2nd Street
Rogers, Arkansas 72756
Phone: (479) 636-1210, ext. 1701
Fax: (501) 324-5472
Email: ceswl-bv@usace.army.mil

Q. Do I need to purchase a fishing license to fish on Beaver Lake?

A. Yes, for more information on fishing regulations visit Arkansas Game and Fish Commission website at <http://www.agfc.com>

Q. What other attractions are in the area?

A. You can discover the wide variety of attractions available in the area surrounding Beaver Lake by visiting the local chambers at: Rogers-Lowell Area, Eureka Springs, Springdale, or Fayetteville Chambers of Commerce.

Q. How can I become a park attendant for a campground on Beaver Lake?

A. All of our park attendant positions are awarded to low bid contractors. Your first step in the bidding process is to contact the Little Rock District Contracting Office at 501-324-6965 and have your name placed on the bid list. Once your name is on that list you will be notified in writing when the contracts are let, and will receive the web address where those contracts can be viewed. All bids received prior to the deadline specified in the letter will be considered.

Q. How can I become a volunteer on Beaver Lake?

A. Volunteers are always welcome on Beaver Lake. To see if any volunteer positions are available, or add your name to a waiting list, please contact the Beaver Project Office at 479-636-1210 or ceswl-bv@usace.army.mil.

Q. I'm planning an event on Beaver (i.e. fishing tournament, family reunion, charity events, etc...). Do I need to contact anyone or get any special permits?

A. Yes. If you are planning an event of any type on Beaver Lake waters or public lands, you must submit a Special Events Permit. For more information, you may contact the Beaver Project Office at 479-636-1210, ext 1701.

Q. Can I have a weapon in the park?

A. No. The possession of loaded firearms, ammunition, loaded projectile firing devices, bows and arrows, crossbows or other weapons is prohibited, except where used for hunting and fishing in

remote areas, and in accordance with Arkansas Game and Fish regulations. Possession and/or use of explosives of any kind are prohibited.

Q. Does the Corps of Engineers regulate hunting and fishing regulations?

A. No. The Arkansas Game and Fish Commission enforces all hunting and fishing regulations on Beaver Lake.

Shoreline Management

Q. May I place a dock on Beaver Lake?

A. Yes. It is possible, if certain criteria are met. The Beaver Lake Shoreline Management Plan approved in 1976 and last revised in 2008 regulates placement of docks. Boat docks are permitted only in areas designated for limited development use. A first step would be to visit the Beaver Project Office or talk to the Duty Ranger regarding boat docks. Or visit our webpage at ceswl-bv@usace.army.mil, and click on the Shoreline Management tab for specifics regarding boat docks on Beaver Lake.

Q. If I am considering purchasing property adjacent to Beaver Lake, what should I do if having a dock is important to me?

A. One should acquire a legal description of the property or a plat and then visit the Beaver Project Office with that information. It would then be possible to determine if this area is zoned for the placement of a dock. However, ownership of land adjacent to Corps Property is not required for dock placement. Access could also be possible by a perpetual deeded easement across adjoining property.

Q. How many boat slips can I own on Beaver Lake?

A. The number of slips allowed on Beaver Lake is limited to two per family unit. And you can only be an owner in one dock.

Government Property

Q. How is the Government Property line marked?

A. The line is marked at its' angle points with white fence posts placed in the ground near round, brass survey markers. The tops of the markers show the individual monument number. This number can be cross-referenced to obtain the exact location and elevation on the line. The boundary line is located by white, horizontal bands painted around trees near the line...paint on one side of the tree indicates which side of the tree the line passes.

Q. What can I do on government property between my residence and the lake?

A. No modification of the government property is allowed without a permit. One can request permission to make a footpath to the lake, remove small brush, and mow on government property. Contact the Beaver Project Office for general information and regulations. The next step is a site inspection by a ranger who will determine the limits of the permit and answer any questions one may have. There are some activities expressly prohibited on government land such as burning,

driving a vehicle, placement of personal property, and the use of chemicals. Also, one may not trim, top or cut trees (live or dead) unless a ranger issues a permit.

Dam and General Lake Information

Q. Why was Beaver Dam built?

A. Beaver Lake was included in a comprehensive plan for flood control, generation of power, and other purposes in the White River Basin by the Flood Control Act of 1954.

Q. Why was the dam named “Beaver”?

A. The lake’s name comes from the town of Beaver in Carroll County, originally homesteaded by Wilson Beaver. At first the dam was to be built near Beaver, until it was determined that the area’s geography and geology weren’t suitable. Instead the dam was built six miles northwest of nearby Eureka Springs.

Q. Where is the power generated here used?

A. Electricity generated at Beaver Dam is used to meet peak energy demands. Beaver Dam is part of the White River projects that provide about seven million end-use customers in six states (Arkansas, Kansas, Louisiana, Missouri, Oklahoma and Texas) with power to meet peak demand periods. The Southwest Power Administration is the governing agency. It sells and delivers this power to about one hundred electric cooperative systems in these six states.

Q. What projects are included in the Little Rock District?

A. The Little Rock District includes the White River Basin; the Arkansas River Basin up to the Oklahoma border; the Little River Basin in southwest Arkansas, The Black River basin, and the Little Red River basin.

Q. Are there other Corps of Engineers Lakes in the area?

A. Here is a list of some of the closer Corps of Engineers Lakes in the area of Southwest Missouri and Northwest Arkansas:

Table Rock Lake – Branson, MO

Bull Shoals Lake – Mountain Home, AR

Norfolk Lake – Mountain Home, AR

Greers Ferry Lake – Heber Springs, AR

Q. How do the four local Corps Lakes compare in size?

A. Bull Shoals is the largest, followed by Table Rock, Beaver and Norfolk Lakes.

Q. What river was dammed to make Beaver Lake?

A. The White River. The White River originates south of Fayetteville, Arkansas, flows Northeast in an arc into Missouri, then Southeast again back into Arkansas. It empties into the Mississippi River in Desha County, Arkansas. The White River drains 28,000 square miles in Missouri and Arkansas.

Q. Where are the dams on the White River?

A. There are four dams on the White River: Beaver Dam is the most upstream of the dams and is located near Beaver and Eureka Springs, Arkansas.

Table Rock Dam, downstream from Beaver, is located near Branson, Missouri.

Empire District Electric Company Dam is considered a private lake located at Powersite, near Forsyth, Missouri.

Bull Shoals Dam is located near Mountain Home, Arkansas and is the last dam on the White River.

Norfork Dam, on the North Fork River, near Mountain Home, is often considered part of the White River system.

Q. When were the dams on the White River built?

A. The Empire District Electric Company Dam is the oldest dam on the White River, built between 1911 and 1913, forming Lake Taneycomo.

Bull Shoals Dam was next, built between 1947 and 1951.

Table Rock Dam was built between 1954 and 1958.

Beaver Dam was built between 1960 and 1966.

Norfork Dam, though not actually on the White River, is often considered with the White River Dams, it was built between 1941 and 1944.

Q. Which of the dams is the biggest in size?

A. Bull Shoals Dam is the 5th largest concrete dam in the nation, containing 2,100,000 cubic yards of concrete. It is 2256 feet long and 256 feet above the riverbed.

Norfork Dam contains 1,500,000 cubic yards of concrete, rises 216 feet above the riverbed and is 2624 feet long.

Table Rock Dam contains 1,230,000 cubic yards of concrete, has a 1602 feet long concrete section (total length including the earth embankment is 6423 feet) and rises 252 feet above the riverbed.

Beaver Dam contains 780,000 cubic yards of concrete, is 2575 feet long and 228 feet high.