

BULL SHOALS LAKE SHORELINE MANAGEMENT PLAN REVISION

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Little Rock District (Corps), is revising the Bull Shoals Lake Shoreline Management Plan (SMP). Based on the comments received during the SMP scoping workshops held in August 2016, the Corps has developed three alternatives that reflect the diverse viewpoints among lake users and stakeholders. The public comment period and public workshops are intended to solicit input and feedback on these draft alternatives prior to finalization and implementation of an updated SMP. The SMP alternatives under consideration align with MP.



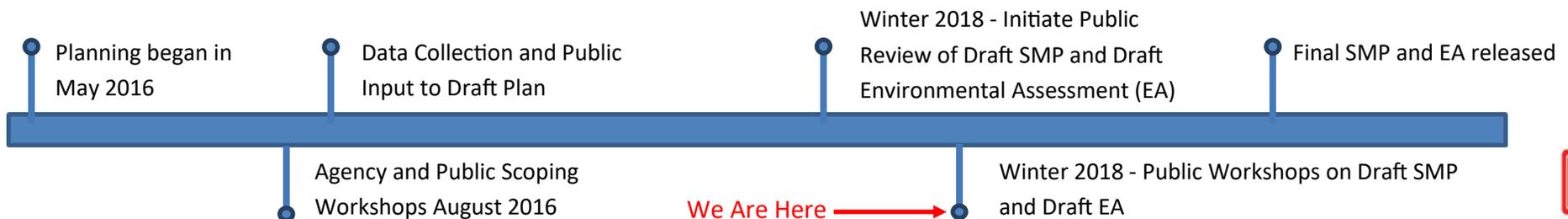
ABOUT THE BULL SHOALS LAKE SHORELINE MANAGEMENT PLAN

The Bull Shoals Lake SMP establishes policy and furnishes guidelines for the protection and preservation of the environmental characteristics of the shoreline while maintaining a balance between public and private shoreline uses. The SMP allows individuals to apply for shoreline use permits such as vegetative modification, private floating facilities, etc. Each of the three alternatives developed for the SMP revision are consistent with the land classifications established in the 2016 Bull Shoals Lake Master Plan. The alternatives represent different scenarios where the shoreline management balance shifts between recreational development to management for environmental values.

MAJOR CHANGES TO THE BULL SHOALS LAKE SHORELINE MANAGEMENT PLAN

*Top of conservation pool changed from 654 msl to 659 msl *Will not remove valid permits *Brought ~60 docks into compliance *1-20 boat stalls
*Converted 1.6 mile of unsuitable LDA to useable LDA *Suitable LDA now totals 19.4 miles (was 17.8) *In compliance with Master Plan *Incorporated local policies into SMP *Underbrush allowed to be removed through a permit is any non-flowering tree or shrub 2 inches or less in diameter at ground level *New permit applications only accepted during October through April *Rezoning requests will not be considered or accepted

PROJECT TIMELINE



BULL SHOALS LAKE SHORELINE MANAGEMENT PLAN ALTERNATIVES UNDER CONSIDERATION

- **Alternative 1 Conservative**—The most substantial difference from the No Action Alternative is the reallocation of 69.2 miles of Limited Development Area (LDA) that is unsuitable for development, a reduction of Public Recreation Area from 139.4 miles to 52.9 miles, and an increase in Protected Shoreline Area to 751.2 miles from the 593.6 miles in the existing plan.
- **Alternative 2 Sustainable Conservation (Preferred)**—Alternative 2 includes unique management measures, but also includes management measures shared by the other action alternatives. In this alternative, allocations are markedly different from the allocations in the current plan. The most substantial difference is the reallocation of all LDA Unsuitable lands to Protected Shoreline Area lands. In Alternative 2, Public Recreation Area lands would be reduced from 139.4 miles to 52.8 miles. These Public Recreation Area lands would be converted primarily to Protected Shoreline Area lands, for a total of 740.9 miles.
- **Alternative 3 No Action**—Defined as no change from the current the Corps SMP, which was last updated in 2001. The No Action Alternative would include policies enacted since 2006, but without changes in shoreline designations.

