

Wading Precautions

- Always wear a life jacket.
- Tell family and friends your activity plans.
- If wading and caught in rising water, get to the nearest bank immediately.
- If you are wearing waders and are swept off your feet by swift water, you should:
 - Stay calm, lie on your back, assume a knee bent sitting position and guide yourself to the nearest shore.
 - Drop any items that can weigh you down.
 - Keep your feet up and pointed downstream to avoid rocks and foot entrapments.
 - Swim with the current and diagonally across it until shore is reached.
 - Do not attempt to stand up until in shallow, slow moving water.
- If trapped on an island or separated from exit by high water, stay there and signal for help.
- Escape routes may become impractical in the event of rising waters, plan alternate routes.
- You can only drown once, so always wear a life jacket.



Lake and Power Generation Information

Hydropower Plants

Beaver/Table Rock	(417) 336-5083
Bull Shoals/Norfolk	(870) 431-5311
Greers Ferry	(501) 362-5150
Lake Dardanelle	(479) 229-2122
Ozark Lake	(479) 667-2149
Southwest Power Admin.	(886) 494-1993

Lakes Offices

Blue Mountain	(479) 947-2372
Clearwater	(573) 223-7777
DeQueen/Gillham	(870) 584-4161
Dierks	(870) 286-2945
Millwood	(870) 898-3343
Nimrod	(501) 324-6578

General Information

Public Affairs Office	(501) 324-5551
Natural Resources	(501) 324-5673

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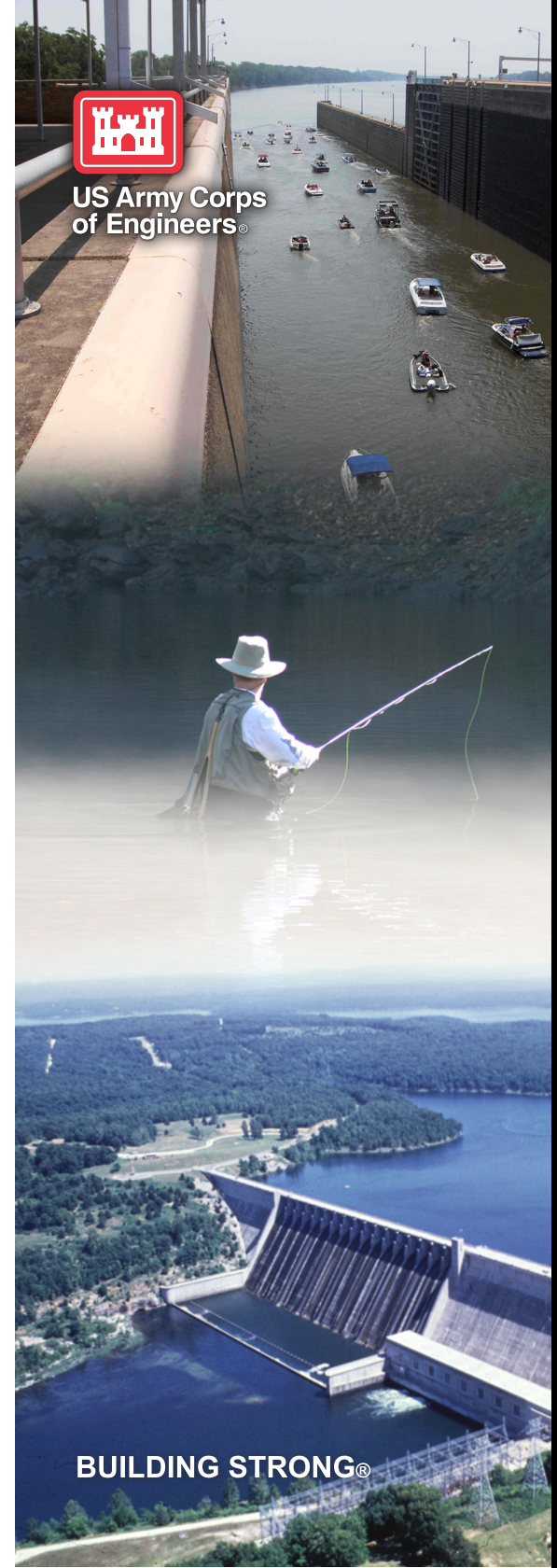
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HAZARDOUS WATERS AND DOWNSTREAM WARNINGS

The Little Rock District operates 25 single and multipurpose dams in Arkansas and southern Missouri. The purposes are navigation, power production, and flood risk management. Navigation dams are situated along the Arkansas River from the White River to the Arkansas-Oklahoma State Line. Flood risk dams are located throughout the district and seven hydroelectric plants have power production capabilities.

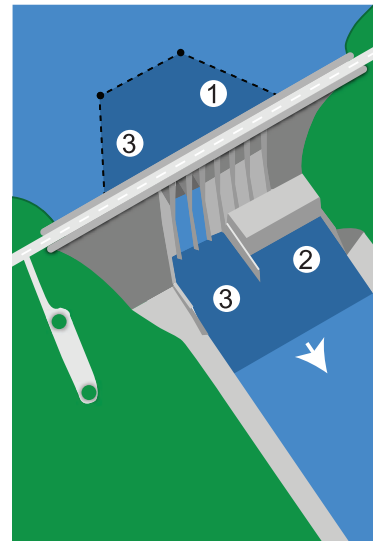
Danger areas at these dams differ with the purpose of the dam. The graphic below illustrates the dangers around a navigation dam on the Arkansas River.



1. Restricted powerhouse intake area (where appropriate).
2. Restricted powerhouse discharge areas (where appropriate).
3. Restricted areas with strong current upstream and downstream of spillways.
4. Lock intakes upstream.
5. Restricted discharge from locks at the side or downstream from the lock.

Water levels immediately upstream of dams remain almost constant although flows may vary. In times of high flows, small craft advisories are issued and water heights increase dramatically downstream.

The following graphic illustrates dangers around flood risk management dams.



1. Restricted powerhouse intake area (where appropriate).
2. Restricted powerhouse discharge areas (where appropriate).
3. Restricted areas with strong current upstream and downstream of spillways.

Water levels immediately downstream of dams vary. However, powerhouse releases can occur at unscheduled times, which include minimum flow releases. At dams without powerhouses, spillway releases occur as needed.

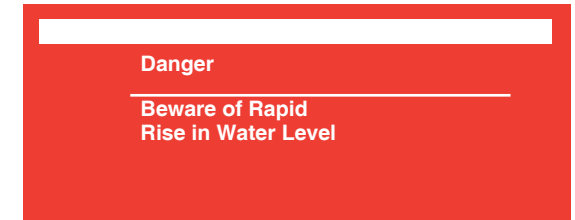
Tailwaters Often Rise Rapidly

When a normal or significant discharge occurs at a Corps of Engineers lock, dam or powerhouse, an audible warning horn or siren will sound; this alert informs the public to immediately exit the river downstream of the dam. Significant caution should

be exercised by users; be aware of rapidly rising water, no matter the location. Alertness to their surroundings prepares them for action, such as:

- Increased bird or other wildlife activity;
- Intensified sounds of rushing, rising water;
- Inundation of exposed rocks, sticks, and brush;
- Cloudy, swiftly flowing water and an increase of floating debris.

Danger Sign Example:

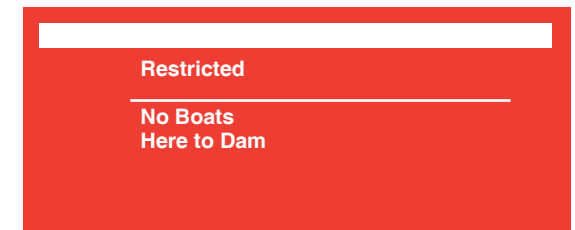


Boating Precautions

When fishing below dams, always wear a life jacket and leave your motor running in case of emergency, even when drift fishing. Remember, under certain conditions, currents downstream of Arkansas River Dams may draw small crafts upstream and toward the dam.

Anchoring in tail waters is dangerous, and is not recommended. Changing currents, waves and sudden increases in stream flow make boat operation more difficult.

Restricted Sign Example:



Obey all DANGER and WARNING signs.

