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# Acronyms

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ADA	Americans with Disabilities Act
CEQ	Council on Environmental Quality
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
EA	environmental assessment
EP	Engineer Pamphlet
ER	Engineer Regulation
MP	master plan
NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act
SMP	shoreline management plan
URL	uniform resource locator
USACE	United States Army Corps of Engineers

# Section 1

## Introduction

### 1.1 Overview

The United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Little Rock District is proposing to revise the Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan (SMP). The current Table Rock Lake Master Plan (MP) was revised in February 2014 through an extensive public involvement process. Based on the comments received during the SMP scoping workshops held in March 2015 and from several focus groups, the Corps developed six alternatives for a revised SMP that reflect the diverse viewpoints among lake users and stakeholders. USACE conducted a series of public workshops to present the draft plan and alternatives and to solicit public review and comment on the Draft SMP, alternatives, and Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) that describes potential impacts of each alternative. During the public comment period on the draft SMP, USACE also accepted comments on the MP. This report summarizes the workshop process and the public comments received at the workshops and during the public comment period.

The MP is the guidance document that describes how the resources of the lake will be managed in the future and provides the vision for how the lake should look in the future. USACE Engineer Regulation (ER) and Engineer Pamphlet (EP) 1130-2-550 with Change 7 and Change 5, respectively, dated January 30, 2013, establish guidance for developing MPs for USACE Civil Works projects. MPs are required for fee-owned lands, in addition to civil works projects, for which USACE has administrative responsibility for the management of natural and manmade resources. The primary goals of an MP are to “prescribe an overall land use management plan, resource objectives, and associated design and management concepts” (EP 1130-2-550). MPs are reviewed every 5 years, and minor changes are made through supplements. An MP that has been excessively supplemented, is out-of-date, or does not serve its intended purpose due to changes in the project should be revised.

The SMP is a comprehensive plan for managing the shoreline, including effects of human activities on the shoreline. Preparation of and periodic revisions of an SMP are mandated by federal regulations found at Title 36 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Section 327.30, which also contains requirements for an SMP. The SMP regulates activities that may occur along the shoreline such as dock construction, improved access paths to docks, and vegetation management on the government lands and waters. The SMP for Table Rock Lake establishes policy and furnishes guidelines for the protection and preservation of the desirable environmental characteristics of the shoreline while maintaining a balance between public and private shoreline uses.

USACE also prepared an environmental assessment (EA) in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 (as amended), the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) guidelines (40 CFR Parts 1500-1508), and ER 200-2-2 Procedures for Implementing NEPA. The EA evaluates the potential environmental effects of the SMP revisions. An environmental impact statement (EIS) would be prepared only if significant environmental effects that are identified during preparation of the EA could result from the MP revisions.

## 1.2 Purpose and Need for Shoreline Management Plan Revision

The purpose of the project is to review and revise the Table Rock Lake SMP. The revision is intended to meet the following objectives:

- Manage and protect the shoreline
- Establish and maintain acceptable fish and wildlife habitat, aesthetic quality and natural environment conditions and to
- Promote the safe and healthful use of the lake and shoreline for recreational purposes by all Americans.

Table Rock Lake was selected as one of three representative study areas in the Southwestern Division designated to develop the initial lakeshore management plans in the late 1970's. Of the Corps' 432 lakes with Environmental Stewardship mission, Table Rock is one of only 112 lakes that allow private shoreline use.

The 1982 SMP for Table Rock Lake implemented a "community docks only" policy for all new docks placed on the lake. This concept, unique to Table Rock Lake, also limited family units to only two single slips and the mooring of two boats in community docks placed on the lake after the approval of the 1982 SMP. These policies were retained in the 1996 SMP. The SMP also allows individuals to apply for permits to make minor alterations to vegetation around habitable structures for land based private uses including vegetation modification, foot path construction, planting and landscaping, under-brushing, mowing, and erosion control.

The need to update the Table Rock Lake SMP was triggered by the recent update of the Table Rock Lake MP in 2014 and requirements for updating both plans were laid out in the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 2016.

WRDA 2016 is legislation signed into law under the Water Resources Infrastructure Improvements for Nation (WIIN) Act by President Obama on December 16, 2016. The Act addresses America's water infrastructure needs which are critical for the Nation's economic competitiveness and domestic security. Section 1185 of the WRDA 2016 specifically required USACE to conduct a 60-day comment period for revisions to the Table Rock Lake MP and SMP; temporarily lift or suspend the moratorium on the issuance of new, and modifications to existing, shoreline use permits; and establish an oversight committee to review permit requests under the existing MP at the recommendation of the district engineer, and to advise the district engineer on revisions to the MP and SMP. After these conditions were met USACE could then finalize the revisions to the Table Rock Lake MP and SMP.

## 1.3 Project Area

Table Rock Lake is a man-made lake or reservoir located in southwest Missouri and portions of northwestern Arkansas and was formed in 1958 by construction of a dam on the White River near Branson, Missouri. The lake is about 43,000 acres in size with over 745 miles of shoreline. The lake provides many recreational opportunities, fish and wildlife habitat, and is a popular location for year-round, vacation, and retirement homes. In addition to boating and swimming, Table Rock Lake is nationally known for its bass

fishing, along with opportunities to catch crappie, sunfish and catfish. The clarity of the water makes Table Rock Lake a popular place for scuba diving.

During high water periods and flood events, Table Rock Lake is operated in conjunction with other lakes in the White River basin to prevent damage along the White and lower Mississippi Rivers. The dam also generates hydropower.

## 1.4 Purpose of this Report

The following report summarizes the public participation process for, and the public comments resulting from, the Table Rock Lake SMP Revision draft plan release workshops and comment period held in summer 2017. While the Table Rock Lake MP was recently updated in 2014, the USACE used this public comment period to get additional input on the MP. It was directed by law, WIIN/WRDA 2016, that USACE open comments back up on the MP during the public comment period of the draft SMP.

## Section 2

# Draft Plan Release Process

## 2.1 Overview

In accordance with NEPA and ER 200-2-2, USACE initiated the environmental compliance and review process for the Table Rock Lake SMP revision project. A Draft EA was prepared to identify potential direct, indirect, and cumulative impacts related to implementation of the SMP. The comment period was scheduled from June 30 to August 30, 2017. To ensure that all interested persons were given ample opportunity to comment the comment period was extended to September 15, 2017.

As part of the draft plan release phase of the environmental process, three workshops were hosted on July 31, August 1, and August 2, 2017 to gather comments on the Draft Revised SMP, the Draft EA and the Draft Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI). The workshops also gave the public an opportunity to learn about the alternatives and provide input on the MP.

Workshop attendees were provided a comment card that asked for responses to specific questions in addition to providing general comments about the plan and the environmental review. The specific questions included:

- Please circle the number that best represents your opinion of the draft documents: Revised Shoreline Management Plan, draft Environmental Assessment, and draft Finding of No Significant Impact: 1 Strong Disapprove and 10 Strongly Approve
- What are the most important factors that affect your opinion of the draft Revised Shoreline Management Plan?
- What are the most important factors that affect your opinion of the draft Environmental Assessment and draft Finding of No Significant Impact prepared for the Shoreline Management Plan Revision?
- Comments on the 2014 Master Plan

USACE published notice of the workshops through an email blast, a direct mail postcard, press releases, display ads in several regional and local papers, and announcements on the Table Rock Lake SMP webpage and the Little Rock District Facebook page. The postcard notice, and email blast were sent to landowners adjacent to USACE-owned lands around the lake, dock permit holders, marina and resort owners, and dock builders. Postcards were sent to those for whom only a postal address was available; all others received the email blast.

## 2.2 Public Comment Period

Notification of the draft review comment period and workshops was completed via several forms of media as described further in this section. Three workshops were held as described in Section 2.2.3.

### 2.2.1 Notification Database

USACE maintains a database of stakeholder groups interested in activities around Table Rock Lake, which includes resort and marina owners. Other databases maintained by USACE include shoreline use permit holders, dock builders, NRRS campers, and local area fishing permit licensees. In addition, USACE developed lists of adjacent property owners based on the databases maintained by the county assessors of the surrounding counties.

### 2.2.2 Public Notification Activities

Strategies to engage the public to participate in the SMP and environmental review process and to encourage people to attend workshops included (1) providing multiple convenient and accessible locations for the workshops, (2) providing easy-to-understand information that helps people provide informed comments, (3) providing multiple ways to obtain information and submit comments, and (4) ensuring that stakeholders are aware of the planning process and understand how public input will be used.

Invitations to the public workshops were mailed directly to people in the notification database, and email invitations were sent to persons and organizations when email addresses were available. Newspaper display ads were placed in seven local and regional papers. Additionally, a Table Rock Lake SMP webpage was used to provide information about the process and workshops. Facebook was also used to distribute project information before, during, and after the workshops.

Each notification medium was assigned a unique short uniform resource locator (URL) to direct recipients to the Table Rock Lake SMP webpage for more information. This allowed USACE to track how people heard about the workshops and the planning processes and to evaluate the effectiveness of various notification methods for future projects.

#### 2.2.2.1 Direct Mail Notification

On July 19, 2017, 34,953 postcards were mailed to those listed in the notification database without email addresses. Of these, 2,500 were returned.

The postcard notification included information on the workshop locations and dates, how to provide comments, the comment period closing date, and the Table Rock Lake SMP web address. The direct mail postcard is included in Appendix A. The postcard resulted in 1,852 visits to the Table Rock Lake SMP webpage during the comment period.

#### 2.2.2.2 Email Notification

An email blast inviting participation and including information on the workshops was sent on July 18, 2017, to 8,692 email addresses. These emails were sent to persons in the notification database for whom email addresses were available. Of the total emails sent, approximately 100 were returned as undeliverable. The information in the email blast was the same as the information on the postcard notification. The email blast resulted in 325 visits to the Table Rock Lake SMP webpage during the comment period.

#### 2.2.2.3 Newspaper Advertisements

To invite the public to the workshops and to notify people about the comment period, display advertisements were placed in regional and local newspapers around Table Rock Lake. Newspaper display ad placement was coordinated through the Arkansas Press Services, Inc., which works with all the local and regional papers. Each display ad ran for one day. The display ads included the same information as was included on the direct mail postcards, and copies of the published ads are included in Appendix A.

Newspaper display ads resulted in five visits to the Table Rock Lake SMP webpage during the comment period.

Newspaper display ads ran in the following newspapers on the dates noted:

- Forsyth Taney County Times on July 19
- MO/Branson Tri-Lakes News on July 19
- The Knob Rock Rattler on July 19
- Harrison Daily Times on July 22
- MO/Springfield News Leader on July 23
- Berryville Carroll County News Midweek on July 25
- MO/Kimberling City Stone County Gazette on July 27

#### **2.2.2.4 Table Rock Lake SMP Webpage**

A webpage, <http://www.swl.usace.army.mil/Missions/Planning/Table-Rock-Lake-Shoreline-Management-Plan/>, was developed for the SMP revision project. The site included information about Table Rock Lake, the SMP revision process, the Draft SMP, and Draft EA. Information on the site included the dates and locations of the workshops, how to submit comments, and who to contact for more information. The website also contained an online interactive map, an online comment form, the SMP revision timeline, and the workshop information boards.

Short URLs or specific web addresses (e.g., <http://go.usa.gov/xN92n>) were developed for each notification method (e.g., postcard, email) as described in Section 2.2.2.7. These short URLs made it easier for the public to access the webpage and allowed USACE to evaluate the effectiveness of each notification method. Between June 30 and September 15, 2017, the Table Rock Lake SMP webpage was visited 7,524 times.

#### **2.2.2.5 Social Media**

The Little Rock District Facebook pages were used to distribute project information. Facebook posts included information like that found on the Table Rock Lake SMP webpage: information about Table Rock Lake, the SMP revision process, and the draft plan release process. Information on the draft plan release process included the dates and locations of the workshops, how to submit comments, and who to contact for more information. Social media posts resulted in an estimated eight visits to the Table Rock Lake SMP webpage during the comment period.

In addition, during the week of the workshops, the Facebook pages were updated with status reports, photos, and information from the workshops.

#### **2.2.2.6 Other Notification Activities**

To maximize the coverage of the outreach effort for the scoping workshops, a media release was sent to local media outlets using the Southwestern Division, Little Rock District, Table Rock Lake Media distribution list on June 30, 2017. This release was used to inform the public of comment period on the Table Rock Lake SMP and MP. A second media release was sent on July 17, 2017 to inform the public of the upcoming workshops. A third media release was sent on August 15, 2017 reminding the public of the end of the comment period and encouraging them to provide comments. A fourth media release was sent out on

August 22, 2017, informing the public that the comment period had been extended. Copies of the press releases are in Appendix A.

Eleven media outlets reported on the Table Rock Lake SMP revision, public workshops, and the comment period 35 times. Copies of the media coverage are in Appendix B.

Flyers, including information on the SMP revision process, the three public workshop locations and dates, how to provide comments, the comment period closing date, and the project web address, were posted at park gatehouses and various local businesses and sent to marinas and resorts. A copy of the flyer is in Appendix A.

### 2.2.2.7 Webpage Statistics

Each type of notification (e.g., display ads, postcard, email, Facebook page) provided a different URL or specific web address to the Table Rock Lake SMP webpage. This was done to gather information on how people found out about and accessed the webpage. The following lists the number of people who accessed the webpage by the media notification web address used. In total, between June 30 and September 15, 2017, the Table Rock Lake SMP webpage was visited 7,524 times.

- Press releases: 4,958
- Email blast: 325
- Postcard notification: 1,852
- Newspaper ads: 5
- Social media (Facebook): 8
- Comment cards: 338
- Flyers: 11
- Fact Sheet: 27

### 2.2.3 Public Workshops

USACE hosted three public workshops to gather input the Draft Revised SMP, the Draft EA, and the Draft FONSI, as well as the 2014 MP. Workshops were scheduled in compliance with NEPA guidelines, and locations were selected to reflect an equitable geographic coverage around the lake. The locations were all within the project area and were accessible in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). The public workshops were held in the first half of the public comment period. To provide the greatest opportunity for community participation, workshops were held in different locations surrounding the lake over three separate evenings.

A total of 861 people signed in at the three public workshops (**Figure 2-1**). A total of 66 comment cards or letters were returned at the public workshops, and 35 people spoke to the court reporters that were available to take oral comments. An additional 3,109 comment submittals were received via letters, email, fax, and mailed comment cards by the close of the public comment period. In total, 3,175 comment submittals were received from members of the public by the end of the comment period.



**Workshop 1: Branson**

Monday, July 31, 2017

4:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Chateau on the Lake

415 North State Highway 265

Branson, Missouri

*Attendees:* 216 signed in*Comments:* 25 comment cards or letters were submitted at the workshop**Workshop 2: Shell Knob**

Tuesday, August 1, 2017

4:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Shell Knob Central Community United Methodist Church

25682 State Highway YY

Shell Knob, Missouri

*Attendees:* 325 signed in*Comments:* 14 comment cards or letters were submitted at the workshop**Workshop 3: Reeds Spring**

Wednesday, August 2, 2017

4:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Reeds Spring High School

20277 State Highway 413

Reeds Spring, Missouri

*Attendees:* 320 signed in*Comments:* 27 comment cards or letters were submitted at the workshop

**Figure 2-1. Branson Public Workshop Sign-in**

### 2.2.3.1 Public Workshop Format

The purpose of the public workshops was to present the six SMP alternatives and get feedback on the Draft Revised SMP, Draft EA, and Draft FONSI. As well as, obtain additional comments on the 2014 MP. During each workshop, participants had the opportunity to view project display boards, which highlighted the SMP revision process, and ask questions or raise concerns directly to project team members stationed around the room. A large map was available for discussions regarding current land classifications and shoreline allocations. Four computers were set up during the workshops with access to the online interactive map showing the current land classifications and proposed shoreline allocations to facilitate responses to questions about the lake and the SMP revision process.

Written comments were collected at each workshop in the form of the comment cards and were accepted by mail, fax, and email after the workshops until the close of the comment period on September 15, 2017.

### 2.2.3.2 Public Workshop Materials

Each public workshop attendee was offered a two-page fact sheet (Appendix C) and a comment card (Appendix C). The fact sheet provided a brief overview of the SMP and MP revisions, information about Table Rock Lake, the proposed schedule for the SMP revision process, and the six alternatives. The comment card included information on how to comment and allowed attendees to either submit written comments at the workshop or mail them in later during the comment period. The comment card was designed as a self-mailer so that individuals could easily mail comments to USACE if they needed more time to develop their comments after attending the public workshops. The comment cards also contained information on how to submit comments via email or through the website.

Several display boards were developed and used during the workshops. The boards provided information on the SMP revision process and provided a backdrop for one-on-one questions and answers with USACE staff. The boards included:

- How to Comment
- Environmental Assessment
- Why Revise the Shoreline Management Plan?
- Issues Evaluated in the Environmental Assessment
- Relationship between the MP and the SMP
- Alternative 4: Major Proposed Changes (3 Boards)
- Project Timeline
- Descriptions of Master Plan Land Classifications and Shoreline Management Plan Shoreline Allocations
- Explanation of Boat County Study and Access Opportunities
- Public Recreation Areas Removed in Preferred Alternative Map
- Shoreline Zoning Management in Alternatives
- Dock and Floating Facilities in Alternatives

- Vegetation Modification and Other in Alternatives

The exhibit boards are included in Appendix D.

## 2.3 Comments Received

The public comment period was held from June 30, 2017 to September 15, 2017, which provided more than the 60-day required comment period. All interested persons were provided opportunities to submit written comments at the three workshops as well as via email, fax, or mail. The comment cards distributed at the public workshops were designed to facilitate return of written comments either at the workshop or via mail later during the public comment period. Editable comment forms were available on the Table Rock Lake SMP webpage and could be directly submitted upon completion. Email comments could be sent to a project-specific email address, which was included on the Table Rock Lake SMP webpage as well as on all the notice materials distributed and the comment cards. Many workshop participants took multiple comment cards to distribute to friends and family who were not able to attend a workshop in person. In addition, a court reporter was present at each workshop to allow participants to record oral comments.

In total, 3,175 comment submittals (letters, emails, comment cards, or oral comments) were received from members of the public by the end of the comment period. Copies of all the public comments submitted during the comment period are included in Appendix E.

## Section 3

# Comment Summary

This section presents a summary of comments received during the public comment period in 2017. The actual comments may be found in Appendix E.

### 3.1 Introduction

USACE accepted comments on the Table Rock Lake SMP Revision throughout the entire comment period from June 30 through September 15, 2017. Community groups, members of the public, and other interested parties submitted 3,175 letters, emails, comment cards, and faxes or made oral comments at one of the workshops during this period. The summary table (**Table 3-1**) provides a tally of the topics discussed in the comments.

It should be noted that the combined numbers of comments listed in the following subsections and the summary table will be greater than the total number of comment submissions because most people discussed multiple topics in their submission. Topics covered in the comments included general comments about the plan and the environmental review as well as responses to the following items:

- Please circle the number that best represents your opinion of the draft documents: Revised Shoreline Management Plan, Environmental Assessment, and Finding of No Significant Impact: 1 Strongly Disapprove and 10 Strongly Approve
- What are the most important factors that affect your opinion of the draft Revised Shoreline Management Plan?
- What are the most important factors that affect your opinion of the draft Environmental Assessment and draft Finding of No Significant Impact prepared for the Shoreline Management Plan Revision?
- Comments on the 2014 Master Plan

### 3.2 Overview of Comments

All comments were reviewed and categorized. The full text of each comment is included in Appendix E. On many topics, there were conflicting viewpoints, with some people indicating a desire for a change and others stating that there should be no change on that issue. The summaries in Sections 3.3 through 3.8 highlight these points of divergence.

Approximately 80 percent or 2,597 of the comments received were from a write-in campaign. These comments followed a standard format and provided the same viewpoint on many issues. In addition, there was a space available on the write-in campaign form to add additional unique comments or personal observations, which some commenters used. Non-unique comments provided through the write-in campaign were tallied as separate comments in the totals provided in the following summaries.

**Table 3-1** provides a summary of the comments received during the comment period. While this table does not include every comment received, it provides a general summary of the topics most frequently submitted during the comment period. The structure of the comment form appeared to lead many people to provide the same comments for each question on the comment form resulting in repetitious feedback. A more detailed summary of comments follows in Sections 3.3 through 3.10. The full text of all comments submitted by members of the public or stakeholder organizations is provided in Appendix E.

**Table 3-1. Summary of Comments Received (Number)**

<b>Circle the number that best represents your opinion of the draft documents: Revised SMP, EA, and FONISI: 1 Strongly Disapprove and 10 Strongly Approve</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 1 (110)</li> <li>▪ 2 (28)</li> <li>▪ 3 (33)</li> <li>▪ 4 (21)</li> <li>▪ 5 (27)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 6 (28)</li> <li>▪ 7 (20)</li> <li>▪ 8 (15)</li> <li>▪ 9 (5)</li> <li>▪ 10 (5)</li> </ul>
<b>What are the most important factors that affect your opinion of the draft Revised SMP?</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Object to Solar on Docks (165)</li> <li>▪ Object to Removal No-wake Buoys (136)</li> <li>▪ Object to Vegetation Modification Language (46)</li> <li>▪ Object to Parking/Golf Cart Rules (43)</li> <li>▪ Object to Limits on Item Storage on Docks (27)</li> <li>▪ Dock Modification Language Too Restrictive (22)</li> <li>▪ Object to Carrying Capacity (16)</li> <li>▪ Control/Limit Number/Size of Boats (15)</li> <li>▪ Unbalance Between Residential and Commercial Dock Owners (15)</li> <li>▪ Preserve/Maintain Lakefront/Shoreline and Water Quality (14)</li> <li>▪ No Lake of the Ozarks (13)</li> <li>▪ Support Solar on New Docks (13)</li> <li>▪ Limit Number of New Docks (10)</li> <li>▪ Object to Change in Slip Size (8)</li> <li>▪ Support Limiting Number of Slips Per Dock (8)</li> <li>▪ Object to Stair Requirements (7)</li> <li>▪ Support Solar on Docks (6)</li> <li>▪ Concerned About Wakes (6)</li> <li>▪ Object to Changes (6)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Too Much Development/Overcrowded (5)</li> <li>▪ Control of Number/Size of Docks/Slips (5)</li> <li>▪ Maintain Lake Access (5)</li> <li>▪ Support Plan (4)</li> <li>▪ More Plan Details Needed (4)</li> <li>▪ Restrictive Plan (4)</li> <li>▪ Enforcement (3)</li> <li>▪ Support Solar, but Object to Forced Change (3)</li> <li>▪ Enjoy Recreation on Lake (2)</li> <li>▪ Dock Placement (2)</li> <li>▪ Grandfather Existing Docks (2)</li> <li>▪ Object to Marine Sanitation Devices Requirements (2)</li> <li>▪ Object to Walkway Design (2)</li> <li>▪ Support Change in Slip Size (2)</li> <li>▪ Concerned About Cost to Dock Owners &amp; Maintain Real Estate Values (2)</li> <li>▪ Plan Not Public Friendly (2)</li> <li>▪ Plan Negative to Community (2)</li> <li>▪ Safety (2)</li> <li>▪ Object to Meeting Format (2)</li> </ul>

<b>What are the most important factors that affect your opinion of the draft EA and draft FONSI prepared for the SMP Revision?</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Object to Solar on Docks (51)</li> <li>▪ Object to Removal No-wake Buoys (31)</li> <li>▪ Object to Vegetation Modification Language (24)</li> <li>▪ Preserve/Maintain Lakefront/Shoreline and Water Quality (14)</li> <li>▪ Current Regulations Adequate (13)</li> <li>▪ Object to Parking/Golf Cart Rules (9)</li> <li>▪ Object to Limits on Item Storage on Docks (8)</li> <li>▪ Control/Limit Number/Size of Boats (8)</li> <li>▪ Limiting Size and Number of Docks (6)</li> <li>▪ Plan Negative to Community (5)</li> <li>▪ Object to Carrying Capacity (4)</li> <li>▪ Unbalance Between Residential and Commercial Dock Owners (3)</li> <li>▪ Support Plan (3)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Minimize Impact to Environment (3)</li> <li>▪ Shoreline Erosion (3)</li> <li>▪ No Lake of the Ozarks (3)</li> <li>▪ Support Alternative 3 (3)</li> <li>▪ Longer Timeline to Convert to Solar (2)</li> <li>▪ Support Limiting Number of Slips Per Dock (2)</li> <li>▪ Object to Stair Requirements (2)</li> <li>▪ Dock Modification Language Too Restrictive (2)</li> <li>▪ More Plan Details Needed (2)</li> <li>▪ Safety (2)</li> <li>▪ Control Flooding (2)</li> <li>▪ Concerned About Wakes (2)</li> <li>▪ Support Solar on New Docks (2)</li> </ul>
<b>Comments on the 2014 Master Plan</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Object to Solar on Docks (31)</li> <li>▪ Keep Existing Plan/Leave Things as They Are (31)</li> <li>▪ Object to Removal No-wake Buoys (30)</li> <li>▪ Restrictive/Poor Plan (14)</li> <li>▪ Object to Vegetation Modification Language (14)</li> <li>▪ Unbalance Between Residential and Commercial Dock Owners (11)</li> <li>▪ Object to Parking/Golf Cart Rules (11)</li> <li>▪ No Lake of the Ozarks (8)</li> <li>▪ Overall Plan is Acceptable (7)</li> <li>▪ Control/Limit Number/Size of Boats (6)</li> <li>▪ Dock Modification Language Too Restrictive (5)</li> <li>▪ Concerned About Wakes (5)</li> <li>▪ Object to Limits on Item Storage on Docks (5)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Preserve/Maintain Lakefront/Shoreline and Water Quality (4)</li> <li>▪ More Plan Details Needed (3)</li> <li>▪ Object to Limiting Dock Slips (3)</li> <li>▪ Effect on Real Estate Values (3)</li> <li>▪ Support Alternative 3 (2)</li> <li>▪ Solar Good but Expensive (2)</li> <li>▪ Support Solar on Docks (2)</li> <li>▪ Concerned with Septic Tanks (2)</li> <li>▪ Support Alternatives 3 or 4 (2)</li> <li>▪ Maintain Lake Access (2)</li> <li>▪ Plan Doesn't Address Public Concerns (2)</li> <li>▪ Limit Number and Size of Docks (2)</li> <li>▪ Enforcement (2)</li> </ul>

Additional Comments	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Object to Removal No-wake Buoys (125)</li> <li>▪ Object to Solar on Docks (114)</li> <li>▪ Object to Vegetation Modification Language (54)</li> <li>▪ Object to Parking/Golf Cart Rules (42)</li> <li>▪ Object to Limits on Item Storage on Docks (36)</li> <li>▪ Location Specific Request (33)</li> <li>▪ Dock Modification Language Too Restrictive (22)</li> <li>▪ No Lake of the Ozarks (19)</li> <li>▪ Object to Carrying Capacity (15)</li> <li>▪ Control/Limit Number/Size of Boats (15)</li> <li>▪ Too Many Docks (14)</li> <li>▪ Unbalance Between Residential and Commercial Dock Owners (14)</li> <li>▪ Object to Changes (13)</li> <li>▪ Object to Stair Requirements (13)</li> <li>▪ Support Solar on New Docks (13)</li> <li>▪ Concerned About Wakes (13)</li> <li>▪ Object to Marine Sanitation Devices Requirements (10)</li> <li>▪ Support Solar on Docks (9)</li> <li>▪ Support Limiting Number of Slips Per Dock (6)</li> <li>▪ Support Change in Slip Size (6)</li> <li>▪ Allow Access to Docks (5)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Keep Shoreline Clean (5)</li> <li>▪ Further Research/Details Needed on Solar (4)</li> <li>▪ Object to Timeline for Solar (4)</li> <li>▪ Object to Removal of Grandfathered Permits or Docks (4)</li> <li>▪ Concern Over Water Clarity/Quality (4)</li> <li>▪ No Grandfathering for Vegetation Permits (3)</li> <li>▪ Support Alternative 4 (3)</li> <li>▪ Restrictive Plan (3)</li> <li>▪ Support Solar But Expensive (3)</li> <li>▪ Object to Change in Slip Size (3)</li> <li>▪ Implement Changes to New Docks (2)</li> <li>▪ Support Removing No-wake Buoys (2)</li> <li>▪ Support Vegetation Permits Being Non-Transferable (2)</li> <li>▪ More Public Boat Ramps (2)</li> <li>▪ Support Vegetation Restrictions (2)</li> <li>▪ Convert Certain Coves to No-wake Areas (2)</li> <li>▪ Concerned About Clearing Land Down to the Water (2)</li> <li>▪ Concerned About Water Levels (2)</li> <li>▪ Light Needed at End of Every Dock (2)</li> </ul>

Write-in Campaign Comments	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Opposed to Over Regulation (2,597)</li> <li>▪ Object to Tighter Restrictions on Vegetation Permit (2,597)</li> <li>▪ Object to New Non-Transferable Grandfather Vegetation Permit (2,597)</li> <li>▪ Object to 1 Request Every 5 Years for Dock Modifications (2,597)</li> <li>▪ Proposed Changes Would Cause Negative Economic Impacts (2,597)</li> <li>▪ Proposed Changes Would Impact Ability to Use and Enjoy Lake (2,597)</li> <li>▪ No Change to SMP (2,596)</li> <li>▪ Object to the 8' Depth Requirement for New Docks (2,594)</li> <li>▪ Object to the Carrying Capacity (2,585)</li> <li>▪ Object to Financial Hardships of Removing Electricity (2,580)</li> <li>▪ Object to Removal No-wake Buoys (201)</li> <li>▪ Object to Restrictions on Storage on Docks (145)</li> <li>▪ Object to the ATV/Golf Cart/Parking Restrictions (106)</li> <li>▪ Maintain Clean/Beauty of Lake (49)</li> <li>▪ Not like Lake of the Ozarks (35)</li> <li>▪ Restrict Watercraft/Motor Size (27)</li> <li>▪ Benefits/Reasons of the Proposed Changes? (25)</li> <li>▪ Solar Batteries Increase Risk of Pollution in Lake (23)</li> <li>▪ Tourism will Suffer with Proposed Changes (22)</li> <li>▪ Object to Prohibition of Porta Potties on Docks/Boats (20)</li> <li>▪ Changes Impact Private Owners but not Commercial (20)</li> <li>▪ Maintain Recreational Uses (16)</li> <li>▪ Don't Mind Move to Solar Power (15)</li> <li>▪ Manage Lake Level (15)</li> <li>▪ Clear the Lake/Shoreline of Debris (14)</li> <li>▪ Don't Mind Carry Capacity Limits (11)</li> <li>▪ Better Communication/Relationship Between the Public and the Corps (9)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Need Better Access to Lake/Docks Particularly for Elderly/Disabled (9)</li> <li>▪ Can Docks Handle the Weight of Solar Panels? (8)</li> <li>▪ Add Speed Limit (7)</li> <li>▪ Longer Timeframe for Implementing Proposed Changes (7)</li> <li>▪ Location Specific Request (7)</li> <li>▪ How will Number of People on the Lake be Determined? (6)</li> <li>▪ Promote Electrical Safety instead of Solar Power (6)</li> <li>▪ Don't Add New Docks (5)</li> <li>▪ Changes make Lake More Dangerous (5)</li> <li>▪ Need Public Vote on the Proposed Changes (4)</li> <li>▪ Need More Boaters Education (4)</li> <li>▪ Maintain/Improve Campgrounds/Parks (4)</li> <li>▪ Mandate Sewer Systems/Waste Management Facilities (4)</li> <li>▪ More Water Patrol (4)</li> <li>▪ Prevent Pollution (4)</li> <li>▪ Need More/Bigger Parking at Docks/Slips (3)</li> <li>▪ Maintain Lack of Commercialization (3)</li> <li>▪ Need More No-wake Buoys (3)</li> <li>▪ Manage Land for Prevention of Wildfires (3)</li> <li>▪ Improve Management of the Lake by the Corps (2)</li> <li>▪ Object to Doubling Boat Slips (2)</li> <li>▪ Agree that Chairs/Tables shouldn't be Left out on Docks (2)</li> <li>▪ Increase Max Slip Size (2)</li> <li>▪ Object to Registering Boats to the Same Trust as Slips (2)</li> <li>▪ Allow Tied Down Furniture on Docks (2)</li> <li>▪ Need Better Dock Maintenance (2)</li> <li>▪ Reduce Park Buffer Zone Restrictions (2)</li> <li>▪ Lake Management Should not be the Responsibility of the Corps (2)</li> <li>▪ Restrict Wake Surfing (2)</li> <li>▪ Object to Single Digit Slip Docks (2)</li> </ul>



### 3.3 Comments Related to Question 1

Question 1 asked people to “circle the number that best represents your opinion of the draft documents: Revised Shoreline Management Plan, Environmental Assessment, and Finding of No Significant Impact. The rating scale ran from number 1, designated as “strongly disapprove,” to number 10, “strongly approve.” The most frequent response to Question 1 was 1 Strongly Disapprove, which was circled by 110 people (**Table 3-1**). People’s opinion of the documents was relatively evenly distributed amongst 2 through 7, ranging from a high of 33 people circling 3 to a low of 20 people circling 7. Fifteen people circled 8 and five people each circled 9 and 10, strongly approve.

### 3.4 Comments Related to Question 2

Question 2, “What are the Most Important Factors that Affect your Opinion of the Draft Revised Shoreline Management Plan,” allowed commenters to write in their concerns. The top response to Question 2 was that individuals object to the proposed requirement to use solar electricity on docks, identified by 165 people (**Table 3-1**). Reasons for respondents objecting included cost, effectiveness, potential environmental impacts, and safety of solar (e.g. leaking batteries, heavy solar panels on docks, and dock lights not working on cloudy days). For example, one commenter wrote, “The placement of large battery banks on docks is dangerous and will potentially result in lead and acids being deposited into Table Rock Lake. The USACE is creating a potential environmental hazard and causing dock owners to expend large amounts of money to implement a foolish and ineffective source of power.” In contrast, only six commenters supported solar on docks. However, thirteen commenters supported solar for new docks, while three commenters supported solar but objected to the change being a requirement.

The response that received the second largest number of comments was that individuals object to the removal of no-wake buoys, identified by 136 people. Commenters voiced an objection to the removal of no-wake buoys because of concerns about safety, damage to docks and property, and damage to the natural shoreline. For example, one commenter wrote, “Elimination of no-wake buoys will increase dock damage from boat wakes and exponentially increase the possibility of personal injury or watercraft damage from collisions.” Similarly, six people commented on concern about wakes from boats and safety concerns to people and property caused by large wakes.

Other frequent comments included individuals objecting to the proposed vegetation modification language (46 people), the proposed parking/golf cart rules (43 people), and the proposed limits on storage of items on docks (27 people). Generally, people felt that more maintained vegetation was better visually and safer, and that overgrown vegetation was more prone to harboring dangerous animals such as snakes. Many respondents viewed the proposed parking/golf cart rules as negatively impacting people’s access to the lake and their docks, particularly for the elderly and handicapped. For example, one commenter wrote, “There is no reason a dock owner should not be allowed to drive a golf cart to their dock. This rule has no reason except to be hostile to the dock owner. I am handicapped and cannot walk the distance to our dock ramp.” Related to the proposed parking/golf cart rules and their potential effect on the elderly and handicapped were seven commenters objecting to the stair requirements. For example, one commenter wrote, “The Corps’ limitations on pathways and stairs are limiting and dangerous to elderly and handicapped dock owners.” Commenters generally felt that the proposal to limit storage of items on docks was a burden to have to carry items back and forth, particularly when coupled with the proposed parking/golf cart rules.

Twenty-two people commented on the proposed dock modification language as being too restrictive and that one modification every five years was too long of a timeframe. People additionally felt there was an imbalance between residential and commercial dock owners in that the changes would only affect the residential dock owners (15 commenters). For example, one commenter wrote regarding the solar power requirement that, “if for private should also be for commercial – discriminatory against non-commercial docks.”

Another area of concern was related to the number and size of docks, slips, and boats on the lake. Sixteen people objected to the results of the lake’s carrying capacity study and five people supported maintaining unrestricted lake access; however, 15 people supported controlling or limiting the number and size of boats and five people supported controlling the number and size of docks and slips. Ten people supported limiting the number of new docks and eight people supported limiting the number of slips per dock. Eight people commented objecting to the proposed change in slip size; whereas, two people commented supporting the proposed change in slip size.

People would like to preserve and maintain the shoreline and water quality (14 commenters) with five people commenting that there is too much development and the lake is overcrowded. Thirteen respondents specifically mentioned that they did not want Table Rock Lake to become like the Lake of the Ozarks.

Six people commented objecting to the proposed changes and four felt the draft SMP was a restrictive plan; whereas, four people supported the plan and four people commented that more plan details were needed.

There were several other issues raised by only two to three respondents each, including comments on enforcement, enjoyment of recreation on the lake, dock placement, grandfathering of existing docks, objecting to marine sanitation devices requirements, objecting to walkway design rules, concerned about costs to dock owners and maintenance of real estate values, plan not public-friendly, plan negative to community, safety, and objecting to the meeting format.

### 3.5 Comments Related to Question 3

Question 3 asked commenters to respond to the question “What are the most important factors that affect your opinion of the draft Environmental Assessment and draft Finding of No Significant Impact prepared for the Shoreline Management Plan Revision?” Comments related to Question 3 were similar to those discussed in Section 3.4. The top three comments were objecting to the proposed requirement for the use of solar on docks (51 people), objecting to the proposed removal of no-wake buoys (31 people), and objecting to proposed vegetation modification language (24 people) (**Table 3-1**). Reasons for objecting to these three were the same as described in Section 3.4. Two respondents supported using solar on new docks and two respondents felt there needed to be a longer timeline to convert to solar.

Fourteen respondents wanted to preserve and maintain the shoreline and water quality and three people commented that minimizing impacts on the environment is important to them. As one respondent put it, “It is important to preserve the beauty, clean, and peaceful environment of the lake, protecting wildlife and community stability.” Three people stated they did not want Table Rock Lake to become like the Lake of the Ozarks.

Some commenters felt that the current regulations were adequate, and they did not agree with all the changes (13 people) and five people thought the plan would have a negative effect on the community. As one commenter put it, “I believe current regulations in place are adequate and the proposal is overkill. This is purely nothing but government oversight at its best.” Another two commenters needed more plan details.

Accessibility remained a common point of concern with nine people objecting to the proposed parking/golf cart rules, again people highlighted the potential negative impact on the elderly and disabled. People objected to the proposed limitations on storage of items on docks (8 people). One respondent stated that “to say no storage on the dock except for essentials for boating is laughable. Much of the enjoyment of the lake centers on swimming from the dock, watching small children swim, visiting friends and neighbors etc. and without seating etc. this is made impossible.” Commenters wanted to control or limit the number and size of boats (8 people), limit the size and number of docks (6 people), and supported limiting the number of slips per dock (2 people). Four people objected to the carrying capacity study results.

Other issues identified by two to three respondents each included a perceived imbalance in the effects of the proposed changes on residential and commercial dock owners, support for the revised plan, concerns shoreline erosion, support for alternative 3, objections to proposed stair requirements, concern the proposed dock modification language would be too restrictive, safety concerns, control of flooding, and concerns about wakes.

### 3.6 Comments on the 2014 Master Plan

The comment form provided space for people to provide additional comments on the 2014 Master Plan. Respondents tended to repeat comments and concerns raised in the previous sections on the comment card. The issues raised were similar to those that were summarized in Sections 3.4 and 3.5. With 31 commenters each, the top two comments were an objection to the proposed requirement for the use of solar on docks and a desire to keep the existing plan and leave things as they are (**Table 3-1**). As one commenter put it, “We like the lake just as it is. Do not need to change the existing regulations.” Similarly, 14 people felt the proposed plan was overly restrictive or a “poor plan.” However, seven people found the plan to be acceptable, while three people stated more plan details were needed. Two people thought the proposed use of solar was good but expensive and two people supported the proposed requirement for the use of solar on docks.

Thirty people objected to the removal of the no-wake buoys and cited potential safety concerns, shoreline damage, and property damage that would come with their removal. Many believed boaters would not see no-wake signs or be able to accurately judge when they were 100 feet from a dock. Fourteen commenters objected to the proposed vegetation modification language. Eleven people believed there was an imbalance between potential effects on residential and commercial dock owners. Eleven people also objected to the proposed parking/golf cart rules.

Some did not want Table Rock Lake to become like Lake of the Ozarks (8 people). As stated by one respondent, “Allowing new small docks (1-6 slips) will cause the shoreline to look like Lake of the Ozarks where not much of the shoreline will provide areas for fishermen to fish.” Six people wanted to control or limit the number and size of boats. Similarly, five people were concerned about potential damage from wakes. Although three people objected to limiting dock slips, two people supported limiting the number and size of docks.

Five people felt the proposed dock modification language was too restrictive. Five people objected to the proposed limits on the storage of items on docks. Four people would like to preserve and maintain the shoreline and water quality.

Other issues identified by two to three respondents included potential effects on real estate values, support for alternative 3, concern about the impact of septic tanks, support for alternatives 3 or 4, a concern to maintain lake access, comments that the plan doesn't address public concerns, and the need for enforcement.

### 3.7 Additional Comments

In addition to the comment cards, many people submitted comments through emails, letters, and oral comments that did not follow the format of the comment cards. Comments received in this manner are summarized here as "additional comments."

The top two responses from these other types of submissions followed the trend found on the comment cards as they were objection to the removal of no-wake buoys (125 people) and objection to the proposed requirement for the use of solar on docks (114 people) (**Table 3-1**). A few people deviated from these majorities. Two people supported the removal of the no-wake buoys. As one commenter stated, "I don't object to disallowing the buoys as I have seen how they are in the way and not kept in place." Thirteen people supported the use of solar on new docks and nine people supported solar on all docks. Three additional people supported the use of solar but believe it to be expensive. Four people felt further research and details were needed on the use of solar, while four people objected to the proposed timeline for requiring the use of solar.

More people objected to the proposed vegetation modification language (54 people) than supported the proposed restrictions (2 people). Many pointed out that vegetation management was necessary for safety reasons, particularly after high water. As one commenter stated, "Dead trees, logs, tires, and trash washed ashore by high water/floods, should be cleared for safety reasons, unless the Corps wants to take over that job." Three people commented on no grandfathering for vegetation permits and two people did support vegetation permits being non-transferrable.

As highlighted in the responses from the comment cards, there were also concerns about access both to docks and the lake. Forty-two people objected to the proposed parking/golf cart rules, and thirteen people objected to the proposed stair requirements. Fifteen people objected to the results of the carrying capacity study and 19 people do not want Table Rock Lake to become like Lake of the Ozarks. Fifteen people want to control and limit the number and size of boats. Related to this, thirteen people were concerned about wakes. Fourteen people thought there were too many docks. Five people commented to on dock access issues. While six people supported limiting the number of slips per dock, two people objected to the proposal. Additionally, while six people supported the proposed change in slip size requirements, three people objected to it.

Thirty-six people objected to the proposed limits on the storage of items on docks, and 22 people felt the proposed dock modification language was too restrictive. Four people objected to the removal of grandfathered permits or docks. There were 33 location specific requests that included permitting, zoning, boat and ramp usage, and violations (see Section 3.10).

Thirteen people objected to the changes and 14 people believed there was an imbalance in the potential effects on residential and commercial dock owners. Ten people objected to the proposed marine sanitation devices requirements. On this topic, one respondent stated that “forcing all boats with marine sanitation devices into only commercial marinas seems extreme and unfair.”

Some people stressed the importance of keeping the Table Rock Lake clean. Five people commented on keeping the shoreline clean, and four people expressed concerns about water clarity and quality.

Three people supported alternative 4, the preferred plan, while three people felt that alternative was restrictive. As one respondent stated, “I feel that your neutral change plan is the best. It will offer some, but limited, growth in the shoreline for docks and land management and yet will sustain the natural look of the lake environment.”

Other issues identified by two or fewer respondents included implementing changes to new docks, a need for more public boat ramps, suggestions to convert certain coves to no-wake areas, concerns about clearing land down to the water, concerns about water levels, and a need for a light at the end of every dock.

### 3.8 Write-in Campaign Comments

A write-in campaign using a web-based form letter generated 2,597 comments. This campaign was organized by the Tri-Lakes Board of Realtors and was available at: <http://savetablelock.com/>. The campaign generated a form with auto-generated text that included a list of major items of opposition to proposed changes in regulations. The form letter text specifically mentioned opposition to the use of a carrying capacity, proposed restrictions on vegetative management permits, non-transferable vegetative management permits, removal of electricity from the lake, the timing of dock modification requests, depth requirements for new docks, and generally any changes to the current shoreline management plan. The campaign stated that the potential changes noted above would have “devastating economic impact and would be detrimental to the public’s right to use and enjoy our lake.” The form also provided space for additional comments and personal observations. A snapshot of the feedback form generated by this campaign is provided in Figure 3-1.

In addition to the pre-written comments, there were hundreds of additional comments added in the “personal message to the Corps” space. Some commenters used this space to further explain their opposition to the proposed changes. These comments were generally economically based, stating that new regulations would impose additional hardship on adjacent property owners and dock owners and discourage tourism. Many commenters stated that they agree with and understand the need for small modifications to regulations, but they felt that many of the proposed changes would result in economic hardship without addressing important issues including safety, water quality, and shoreline protection. Many mentioned opposition to proposed changes in the vegetative modification process stating that accessing the lake through “underbrush infested with insects” can cause human health effects and discourage enjoyment of the lake. There were also statements from individuals indicating that while they agreed with some of the pre-written oppositions, they requested that certain pre-written statements be disregarded for that individual (hence the slight variation in comment numbers in Table 3-1).

RE: Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan

Dear Corps of Engineers Decision Makers,

I am deeply concerned about the drastic changes that are being proposed in your draft Shoreline Management Plan for Table Rock Lake. The community has been very clear in thousands of public comments submitted that we are opposed to over-regulation. We've asked many times for NO CHANGE to be made to the Plan, but there are several items of major concern:

- I object to the carrying capacity as it limits the right to use the lake.
- I object to tighter restrictions placed upon vegetative management permits.
- I object to the new non-transferable grandfathered vegetative management permit rule.
- I object to financial hardships of removing electricity from the lake.
- I object to only one request every five years for dock modification.
- I object to the 8' depth requirement for any new docks.

I would ask that the Shoreline Management Plan NOT be changed. At the very least, please do not allow the changes noted above to go into effect. It would have a devastating economic impact and would be detrimental to the public's right to use and enjoy our lake.

Add Your Personal Message to the Corps Here: (optional)

500 of 500 character(s) left

**Figure 3-1. Tri-Lakes Board of Realtors Write-In Campaign Form**

Source: *savetablerock.com*

Additional comments included several topics similar to those from the other comments, with the top concern being objection to the proposed removal of no-wake buoys (201 comments). Those opposed to the removal of no-wake buoys generally identified concerns for safety as well as prevention of damage to docks and boats and shoreline erosion. Commenters stated that renters and new visitors to the lake would not be aware of areas where idle speeds are required without the buoys. Many view the buoys as life-saving navigation aids and feel strongly regarding keeping them on the lake. There were also many comments regarding opposition to proposed limitations on storage on docks (145 comments), and proposed ATV/golf cart/parking restrictions (106 comments). Opposition to proposed limitations on dock storage generally referenced the inconvenience of hauling equipment back and forth from homes and businesses. One commenter wrote that as camp manager of a children's camp, storage near the lake of life jackets and other life-saving equipment is essential. Opposition to proposed ATV/golf cart/parking restrictions were generally statements that individuals, especially elderly and disabled individuals, need to be able to access the lake. The next most frequently raised topics were related to water quality and included comments on maintaining the beauty, cleanliness, and aesthetics of the lake. Additional water quality comments included 23 individual concerns that solar batteries for lighting will increase the pollution of the lake, 20 comments in opposition to porta-potties on boats and docks, 14 comments related to cleaning the lake and shoreline, 4 comments asking for mandates on sewer systems and waste management facilities, and 4 comments stating a desire for pollution prevention overall. Thirty-five commenters stated that they do not want to see the lake turn into the Lake of the Ozarks, which generally

implies a desire for cleanliness, good water quality, reduced crowding, and reduced commercialism. There were three specific comments asking to maintain the current lack of commercialism at the lake.

Twenty-seven commenters suggested restrictions on watercraft or boat motor sizes were needed and that such restrictions would provide a means of reducing crowding and providing additional safety to boaters. Seven commenters suggested adding a speed limit to the lake. Additional safety-related topics included a desire for additional boater education (4), concerns that changes to the SMP would make the lake more dangerous (5), and a desire for more water patrol (4) and additional no-wake buoys (3). There were also 9 comments received asking specifically for better access to the lake and docks, particularly for elderly and disabled individuals. Also related to safety, commenters asked for stricter enforcement of alcohol laws (1) and maintenance of vegetation to prevent wildfires (3).

There were several questions and concerns specifically involving the proposed changes. Twenty-five commenters asked for information regarding the benefits or reasons for the proposed changes. Twenty-two commenters specifically stated concerns that tourism will suffer because of proposed changes, and 20 comments complained that the changes would impact only private owners and not commercial facilities. Additionally, there were 7 individuals that asked for a longer timeframe to implement the proposed changes. Four individuals suggested a public vote on the proposed changes. Many of those opposed to proposed changes indicated a desire for no changes to the lake. Individuals viewed proposed changes to the SMP as changes to the “peaceful and family-oriented” lake life they currently enjoy. There were also general concerns over too many additional restrictions stating that the current “guidelines have served us well.”

There were several additional comments regarding solar lighting including 15 commenters that specifically stated they agree with or don’t mind the proposed move to solar power. Eight people raised concerns about the weight bearing capacity of docks to hold solar panels, and 6 people suggested promoting electrical safety rather than requiring solar power. One individual stated that removal of electricity will encourage crime. Concerns about proposed solar lighting conditions were generally economic based, such as statements that solar power is “costly to be maintained and costly to replace batteries in a few years” and would cause a “massive expense of transferring electric to solar.”

Eleven individuals stated that they agree with or don’t mind the proposed carrying capacity limitation, while an additional 6 individuals questioned the methodology of the carrying capacity study, particularly how the number of people on the lake would be determined. Those that elaborated on the pre-written text in opposition to the carrying capacity study generally stated concerns that it would limit enjoyment of the lake for residents and visitors and limit tourism and recreation.

Recreation and dock-based comments included 16 individuals asking for the new plan to maintain recreational uses. Three additional commenters asked for more or larger parking spots at docks, and 2 respondents asked for increased maximum slip sizes. Two respondents specifically indicated that they object to the doubling of boat slips, and there were also 2 comments objecting to docks with less than 10 slips. One commenter asked for allowance of privately owned neighborhood docks. Two individuals stated objections to regulations requiring boat registries to be the same trust as boat slips. One individual asked for an increased number of slips and another objected to 14-foot slip widths. There were two comments on encapsulated foam, one stating that they agree with the requirements of encapsulated foam and another asking why marinas are not subject to this regulation.



There were also specific comments regarding regulations on furniture on docks with comments split equally between those that agree that tables and chairs should not be left on docks and those that asked for only tied-down furniture to be allowed on docks (2 comments each). There were also 2 specific requests for better dock maintenance, and a single comment generally asking for less restrictions on docks. One individual stated support of regulations on large ATV tires.

One commenter specifically asked for regulations to prohibit overnight parking of boat trailers at docks. There was one comment stating an objection to elimination of the Commercial Remote Service Docks (CRSD) program, stating that this elimination “discourages businesses who may want to locate in an area where they could be served by a CRSD.”

There was also a single individual that stated a desire for more fishing structures, and a single comment suggesting a future scuba park. There were also 2 comments asking for additional restrictions on wake surfers. One commenter particularly stated opposition to regulations that would prevent sunbathing and hanging out on docks.

Maintenance based questions included single comments asking for additional maintenance on existing boat ramps and maintenance of the dam road. Additionally, one commenter asked that all access roads and parking lots be paved.

Operations and management-based concerns expressed a desire for more consistent management of lake levels. Management-based concerns included 9 comments asking for better communication or a better relationship between the public and the Corps. An additional 2 comments were received asking generally for improved management of the lake by the Corps, and 2 commenters stated that management of the lake should not be the responsibility of the Corps. There was also a single comment asking for more consistent regulation, and a single comment suggesting an increase in permit fees.

Additional comments included 7 location-specific requests, 5 comments asking for no new docks, and 4 comments asking for improvements to and maintenance of existing parks and campgrounds. There were 2 comments asking for reductions in park buffer zone restrictions, and a single comment objecting to the marina buffer zone.

There were 2 individual comments related to the Lake Focus Groups. One commenter stated that future focus groups should be more diverse, while another expressed the opinion that the comments of the original focus groups were not taken in consideration during the development of this plan.

### 3.9 Location specific comments

There were 40 comments that referenced a specific location on the lake and made a request for action or for a specific shoreline designation through the SMP update process. Comments included requests for shoreline designations that would allow for boat dock construction or shoreline access. Some identified potential impacts that a proposed change in shoreline zones for adjacent properties might have on the commenter’s property. Many comments identified current issues around the lake such as non-conforming docks, garbage dumping problems, and other potential enforcement issues on government land. The text of the location specific comments is found in Appendix F.



### 3.10 Summary

Regardless of which question was responded to or which format respondents used to submit their comments, there were several common themes identified by respondents. This section groups responses by theme rather than by question to provide an overall summary of the frequency with which common themes were raised. This summary table does not include all the comments submitted; it only includes those that relate to the most frequently mentioned themes. The topics addressed by the pre-written text of the write-in campaign letters strongly skews the total results to those items.

**Table 3-2. Summary of Comments by Dominant Themes**

Theme	Number of Comments	Percent of All Commenters <sup>1</sup>
No change <sup>2</sup>	2,645	83%
Solar power on docks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <i>Object to solar on docks</i><sup>3</sup></li> <li>▪ <i>Support solar on docks</i></li> <li>▪ <i>Support solar on new docks</i></li> <li>▪ <i>Longer timeline/further research needed on solar</i></li> </ul>	2,902 33 28 14	91% 1% < 1% < 1%
Vegetation modification <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <i>Object to vegetation modification language</i><sup>3</sup></li> <li>▪ <i>Support vegetation modification language</i></li> </ul>	2,729 4	86% < 1%
Carrying capacity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <i>Object to carrying capacity</i><sup>3</sup></li> <li>▪ <i>Support carrying capacity</i></li> </ul>	2,622 12	83% < 1%
Negative economic impacts <sup>3</sup>	2,629	83%
Dock modification language too restrictive <sup>3</sup>	2,651	83%
Overregulation <sup>3</sup>	2,606	82%
Impact ability to use and enjoy lake <sup>3</sup>	2,615	82%
Object to the 8' depth requirement for new docks <sup>3</sup>	2,590	82%
No-wake buoys <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <i>Object to removal of no-wake buoys</i></li> <li>▪ <i>Support removal of no-wake buoys</i></li> </ul>	498 3	16% < 1%
Storage on docks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <i>Object to storage restrictions on docks</i></li> <li>▪ <i>Support storage restrictions on docks</i></li> </ul>	219 2	7% < 1%
Object to parking/golf cart restrictions	203	6%
Maintain lake beauty and water quality	85	3%
No Lake of the Ozarks	78	2%
Control/limit number/size of boats	66	2%
Imbalance between residential and commercial dock owners	61	2%
Boat docks/slips <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <i>Limit number of boat docks/slips</i></li> <li>▪ <i>Do not limit number of boat docks/slips</i></li> <li>▪ <i>Object to change in slip size</i></li> <li>▪ <i>Support change in slip size</i></li> </ul>	61 6 14 9	2% < 1% < 1% < 1%

Theme	Number of Comments	Percent of All Commenters <sup>1</sup>
Maintain and improve lake/dock access	43	1%
Marine Sanitation Devices		
▪ <i>Object to marine sanitation devices requirements</i>	32	1%
▪ <i>Support marine sanitation devices requirements</i>	1	< 1%

## Notes:

1 – Percent of total submissions that included this theme. The total will not equal 100 percent because individuals commented on multiple themes or commented on a particular theme multiple times and because this summary only includes the most common themes.

2 – Comments tallied under “no change” include only those that simply stated “no change” or indicated no change in zoning or land allocations. Although other themes, such as “clean water” or “maintain natural beauty,” may appear to involve no changes, specific actions may be needed to maintain those conditions.

3 – Indicates a topic that was included in the pre-written write-in campaign text. Values greater than approximately 2,593 indicate that commenters who did not participate in the write-in campaign also included the topic in their remarks.

## Section 4

### Next Steps: SMP Revision Process

The purpose of the Table Rock Lake SMP Revision draft plan release workshops and comment period was to provide an opportunity for the public and agencies to learn about the six draft alternatives and provide input on the Draft Revised SMP, Draft EA, and Draft FONSI to help guide future management at Table Rock Lake. Section 1185 of the WRDA 2016 specifically required USACE to conduct a 60-day comment period for revisions to the Table Rock Lake MP and SMP; temporarily lift or suspend the moratorium on the issuance of new, and modifications to existing, shoreline use permits; and establish an oversight committee to review permit requests under the existing MP at the recommendation of the district engineer, and to advise the district engineer on revisions to the MP and SMP. After these conditions were met USACE could then finalize the revisions to the Table Rock Lake MP and SMP.

USACE will consider the comments and issues identified during the comment period as the Final Revised SMP and Final EA are developed. Both the Final Revised SMP and the Final EA will be made available to the public. It is anticipated that this would occur in 2018.

Individual responses to comments provided during the draft release comment period are not developed in the preparation of an EA. Where consistent with the purpose of an SMP and where possible under the planning mechanisms available for a SMP, USACE will incorporate the feedback and suggestions provided through the comments.

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# Appendix A

## Notification Materials

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# Library Notes

## Shell Knob Note

### News and Information

The Friends of the Library would like you to mark your Calendar. They will be accepting gently used Books, CDs, and DVDs for their annual Book Sale Starting August 4th through August 16th during library hours in the lower level of the Library.

### Reminders

Summer Reading dates to remember: July 19th at 10:00 A.M., Puppets, Reading & Fun with Lou Read.

If you or your child were signed up for summer reading, please bring in your book list so that we can get a count of your books read. Our programs are wrapping up quickly

and we want to make sure everyone gets counted.

### Crochet Class

Weekly crochet classes are on Friday at 2:00 P.M. Classes will last for an hour. There is no fee but you will need to bring your own supplies. Come join in on the fun!

### Friends of the Library

The Friends of the Library meet on the first Wednesday at 2:00 P.M. in the lower level of the Library. Everyone is welcome.

### New Titles

**Adult:** *Full Moon Wolf* by Lincoln Child; *Anything is Possible* by Elizabeth Strout; *The Love in our Tears* by Nathaniel Embers; *The Forever Summer* by Jamie Brenner; *Price of Duty*

by Dale Brown.

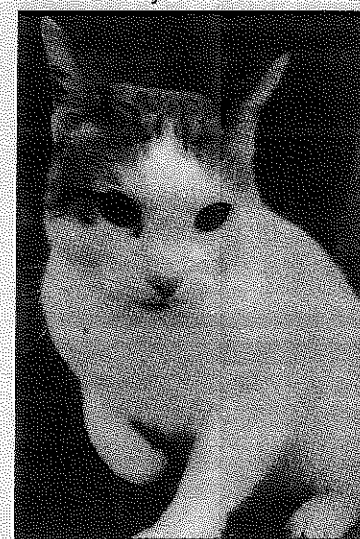
**DVDs:** *NBC Western TV Legends*; *3 Generations*; *The Lego Batman Movie*; *Beauty and the Beast*.

**Youth:** *Anna & Elsa: The Arendelle Cup* by Erica David; *Hank the Cowdog: the Case of the Wandering Goat* by John R. Erickson; *Missouri: The Show Me State* by John Hamilton.

Our hours are Monday-Wednesday-Friday, 8:30 A.M.-5:30 P.M. and closed for lunch from 1:00-2:00 P.M. Phone: 417-858-3618. Look at our online catalog at <http://tlc.library.net/blf> and email us at [shellknob@blrblibrary.org](mailto:shellknob@blrblibrary.org) to ask questions or reserve books.

## Haven of the Ozarks

Meet Dallas, the Haven of the Ozarks Pet of the Week! This big, gorgeous, squishy kitty is about two years old and is a



wonderful boy. He's very laid back and will probably have a very short adjustment period in his new home.

He's great with kids (he let the six year old in his old foster home carry him all over the place), is good with dogs, and likes other cats.

He's looking for an inside

home where he gets plenty of attention.

He came to us with the name "Kit Kat," and he does respond to this name. However, we had already used it, so he had to get a different name at the Haven for purposes of record keeping. So when you get there, ask for Dallas, but once you get him home, he will come to his old name just like a dog!

This is an exceptionally neat cat, so make plans to come see him soon or call 417-835-3647 for more information.

## Smiles

The newlywed wife said to her husband when he returned from work, "I have great news for you. Pretty soon, we're going to be three in this house instead of two."

Her husband ran to her with a smile on his face and delight in his eyes.

He was glowing of happiness and kissing his wife when she said, "I'm glad that you feel this way since tomorrow morning, my mother moves in with us."

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Jackson and his wife, Michelle, have launched a foundation to support organizations that combat human trafficking and aid its victims, women who are exploited, abused and scarred for life.

"We're all in," Jackson said during a kickoff event at the team's headquarters. "We want to make a difference in this area."

On Thursday, The Hue Jackson Foundation announced a partnership with the Salvation Army of Greater Cleveland to provide secure housing for women who have been victimized by human trafficking — modern-day slavery that involves the use of force, fraud or coercion to obtain some type of labor or commercial sex act.

Jackson's affiliation will raise awareness to an issue that often goes unreported and undetected.


"I'm not afraid of a challenge," said Jackson, who went just 1-15 during his first season with the Browns. "We've seen the impact of what this

deed available nationwide for the estimated 100,000 identified trafficking victims annually.

Jackson said the foundation believes safe housing is essential to survivors in order to break trafficking's circle. Jackson, who has three daughters, was joined at the foundation's kickoff by Ohio Attorney General Mike DeWine.

"Human traffickers target the most vulnerable members of our society who need the most help and use them for their own profit and advancement," said DeWine, who has formed a commission to fight human trafficking. "The work that the Hue Jackson Foundation will do to help combat this will be invaluable in providing awareness and prevention to help protect our children and loved ones from falling victim to this heinous crime."

According to the National Human Trafficking Resource Center, human trafficking cases in Ohio are some of the highest in the nation.



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...to participate in the clinic, please call 870-423-2923.

### Driver Safety Program

An AARP Driver Safety Program will be held in the Medical Arts building at Mercy Hospital of Berryville from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Thursday, July 27, at 214 Carter St. The class fee is \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for non-members. To register or for more information, call Deana at 870-423-5230.

### Highway 62 Cleanup

The Democratic Party of Carroll County will be cleaning Highway 62 at the Kings River bridge from 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Saturday, July 29. Orange safety vests and trash bags will be provided. Ice water will be available for volunteers, too. For more information, email DPCC.Secretary@gmail.com.

### Free Back to School Garage Sale

Grandview Baptist Church will hold a free back to school garage sale from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, July 29, at 1001 Highway 143 in Berryville. There will be school supplies, clean used clothes and toiletries available.

The Eureka Springs Metaphysical Society (Metafizzies) meeting will feature a group discussion on spiritual topics at 7 p.m. Monday, July 31, at the Heart of Many Ways at 68 Mountain St. All are welcome.

### Back to School Bonanza

Bright Futures Berryville will present the Back to School Bonanza from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 3, in the Bobcat Arena. There will be free haircuts, screenings, school supplies and much more for Berryville students in kindergarten through seventh grade. A parent or guardian must be present with the children.

### Eureka Springs Open House

Eureka Springs Elementary School will hold a Back-to-School Open House from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 10. It's a chance for students to tour their classrooms, meet their teachers and bring their school supplies. Staff will be available to assist with signing up for car tags and lunch accounts. Refreshments will be served in the cafeteria.

### August Movie in the Park

The Berryville Parks

1042 will clean, price, wrap and sort items for the Brown Elk Sale on the first Tuesday of each month from March to July. The sale will be held on Friday, Aug. 4, and Saturday, Aug. 5. Donations can be brought to Elks Lodge 1042 at 4 Parkcliff Drive in Holiday Island. For more information, contact Wes Gosvenor at 870-818-4568.

Flora Roja Community Acupuncture and Herbal Apothecary will host a monthly herbal community potluck from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on the last Wednesday of each month at 119 Wall St. in Eureka Springs. Come meet up with fellow herb lovers and get inspired. Guests are asked to bring a dish to share. Vegans and vegetarians are encouraged to attend. This is a free event. For more information, call (479)-253-4968.

The Eureka Springs Carnegie Library hosts a weekly Song and Story Time for toddlers and preschool children and their caregivers at 10:30 a.m. every Wednesday at 194 Spring St.

The Good Shepherd Humane Society (GSHS) holds its monthly board meeting at 1 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday of each month at the shelter's meet and greet room. All are welcome.

The Carroll County

will host a weekly Peaceful Pencil Time adult coloring program on Tuesdays. Coloring and conversation begin at 10 a.m. Patterns, pencils and inspiration are available all day. For more information call 870-423-2323.

The Berryville Library at 104 Spring St. will feature a variety of free brain games all day every day on Thursdays. Guests can challenge themselves to play one brain game a week for better brain health. Call 870-423-2323 for more information.

Come hear about all sorts of people who make the world a better place all month long. There will be stories, snacks and crafts at 10 a.m. each Thursday at the Berryville Library at 104 Spring St. Call 870-423-2323 for more information.

The Carroll County Senior Activity and Wellness Center will host an art class from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Fridays at 202 W. Madison Ave. in Berryville.

Carroll County Cruisers and Collectables meets the last Monday of every month at various locations. Show and Shine Cruisings will be held during the spring and summer months on the Berryville Square. For more information call 879-423-7928.

oring book workshop from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. every Friday. Call Lynne Crow at 479-586-4868 for more information.

The American Legion Auxiliary No. 36 of Holiday Island meets at 10 a.m. every third Monday at the Holiday Island Country Club. All ladies who are immediate relatives of veterans are eligible to join.

The Carroll County branch of the Ozark Off Road Cyclists club will host training rides at 2 p.m. every Sunday at Lake Leatherwood. The Carroll County branch meets at 6:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month at Sparky's restaurant in Eureka Springs. Everyone is welcome.

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**Extending Hope**

Lee and Lisha Walston, right and center, from the nonprofit Extending Hope addressed a recent meeting of Rotary Club of Table Rock Lake. Extending Hope provides support for persons struggling with addictions. The nonprofit has served Reeds Spring and Crane the past five years. Also pictured is Rotary president Ben Fisher.

- Submitted photograph

**•Recycle**

The bins for these items are emptied weekly by Republic Services.

Aluminum cans are separated to give to a charity. Glass must be separated and goes into a special bin, recycled through Ripple Glass; lids or corks should be removed. Pyrex and windows are not accepted.

The glass trailer, which was recently emptied, recorded 4.24 tons of glass collected in four and a half months; this is glass on its way to be remade into products such as bottles and fiberglass.

Cardboard is accepted but should be broken down. It is taken to Midwest Fiber to be made into new products.

Unacceptable items include food waste, plastic bags (which can be recycled at Wal-Mart), and styrofoam in any form, including styrofoam egg cartons. The website lists more details.

Kimberling City residents are able to recycle the same items free of charge by requesting a recycling bin, or recycling cart with a top, from Republic Services. Door-to-door pickup is scheduled every other

Wednesday. Glass is not accepted in the curbside bins, but can be brought to the recycling center on Saturdays.

**• Other sites:** There are several other recycling options in the area.

\* TRG, located on Emerson Road in Reeds Spring, near the intersection of Mo. 13 and Mo. 76, will accept any type of metal from old Christmas tree lights to sheets of metal siding, lawnmowers and transmissions. They will purchase many types of scrap metal based upon weight and type. They are open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays through Fridays and 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays.

Their website has more information: [trg.net](http://trg.net).

\* The nonprofit Earthwise Recycling Center is located near Reeds Spring Elementary School, off Wolves Lane and Mo. 76. It is open from 8 a.m. to noon on Saturdays, rain or shine.

Earthwise accepts many items including electronic waste. Items that should be separated are cardboard, aluminum cans, tin cans and glass (no windows or Pyrex).

Plastics 1-7 may be mixed with newspapers,

books and magazines. Laptops, phones, DVD players, ovens, auto batteries and washers and dryers are free, but CRT monitors and TVs are \$20 each; \$10 for microwaves; air conditioners and items with refrigerant are \$5; and fluorescent light bulbs and fluorescent compact lamps are \$1 each.

Earthwise is staffed by volunteers.

Earthwise also collects recycled items from the Reeds Spring R-4 School District, including kitchen scraps from the cafeterias. These are converted into compost that is sold by the bag to add to the garden in spring. For more information check online at [www.rs-wolves.com](http://www.rs-wolves.com)>Community >EarthwiseRecyclingCenter.

\* The Galena recycling center is located at 212 East Fourth Street in the old train depot. Hours are 8:30-10:30 a.m. Saturdays. It is also staffed by volunteers and accepts items similar to those at the Kimberling City recycling center.

Other facilities that are involved in recycling are spread throughout the area. Prescriptions, over-the-counter medica-

**Vino Cellars raises money for Harbor House**

Harbor House Domestic Violence Center, Stone County's only shelter for battered women and their children, has received a generous donation from Vino Cellars at the Lake. Vino Cellars owners Matt and Steph Bekebrede, of Kimberling City, Missouri, chose Harbor House as the recipient of their annual fundraising event.

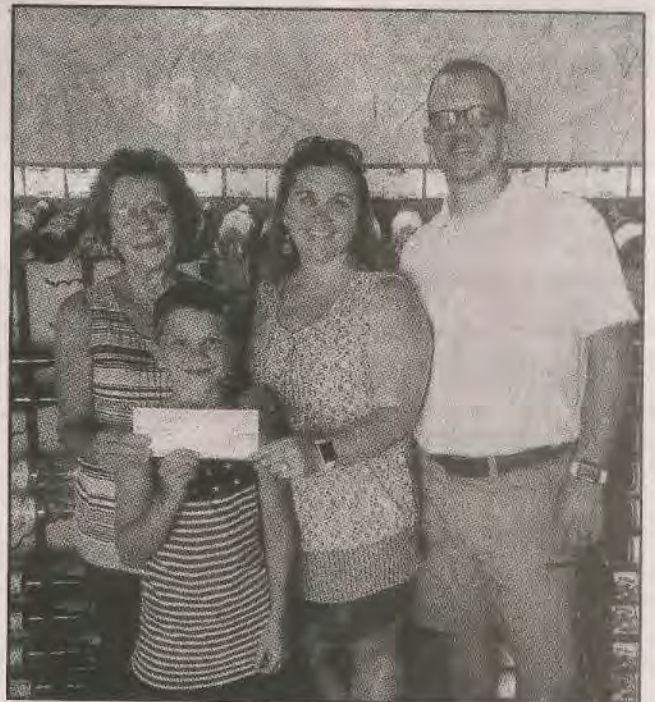
Bacchus Summer Fest, a wine-tasting celebration designed to help local charities, raised in excess of \$650 for the Domestic Violence Center. More than 50 guests enjoyed a sample of 25 different wines. Many traveled from Springfield, Missouri, and beyond to show their support of Harbor House. Each guest received a complimenta-

ry Riedel wine glass.

"We are very grateful for the kindness our community has shown," says Vicki Trump, the Domestic Violence Center's Executive Director. "Generous gifts, such as the one from Vino Cellars, allow us to make an even greater difference in the lives of the abused."

Harbor House Domestic Violence Center was created in 1985 when Christian

Associates of Table Rock Lake, the program's founder, recognized a rise in domestic violence and a need for victim services. "Domestic violence is a crime," says Trump. "We encourage every woman who feels she is in danger to call our 24-hour hotline at 1.877. 507.7233." Harbor House provided refuge for nearly 200 women and children last year alone.



Vino Cellars Owners Matt and Steph Bekebrede, with son Brody, present a check to Harbor House Executive Director Vicki Trump, far left. Kimberling

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tions and vitamins should never be flushed down the toilet. They may be dropped off at the Kimberling City Police Department, 34 Kimberling Boulevard, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Mondays through Fridays, or dropped 24 hours a day at the Stone County Sheriff's Department in Galena.

In either office they can be left in a large receptacle just inside the entrance door, loose or in the container, but no liquids or syringes are accepted.

Compact fluorescent lamps can be dropped off free at Lowe's or Home Depot.

Inkjet cartridges may be left at Kimberling Area Library; KAL receives \$4 for each recycled cartridge.

Large cans of latex paint should be allowed to dry up with the lid off; after drying they can be placed in regular trash pickup containers.

Everyone in the community can help to recycle and reuse and thus cut the amount of waste we throw away, lessening the strain on the landfill.

Volunteers are needed at several of the recycling sites.

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Staff Sgt. Alex Frank shops at the military uniform store within the Exchange at Offutt Air Force Base, Neb.

OFFUTT AIR FORCE BASE, Neb. — Hey veterans, you can soon shop tax-free.

Starting later this year, all honorably discharged veterans, no matter their branch of service, will be eligible to shop tax-free online at the Army & Air Force Exchange Service with the same discounts they enjoyed on base while in the military. It's the latest way in which the organization is trying to keep its customers as the armed forces shrink and airmen and soldiers buy more for delivery.

Adding 13 million potential new customers will give extra ammunition to the group that runs the stores on U.S. Army and Air Force bases worldwide as it fights Amazon and other retailers for veterans' online shopping dollars.

Since hiring its first civilian CEO five years ago, the Exchange has upgraded the brands at base stores to include items like Disney toys, Michael Kors

fashions and other top names. Like private stores, it has also imposed tighter cost controls, reduced the number of employees and improved people's experience on the website.

"The intent is to really beat Amazon at their game because we have locations literally on the installations," CEO Tom Shull said. "We're leaning toward not just ship-from-store but pick-up-from-store and eventually deliver-from-store."

The Exchange is adding shipping centers within its stores to

allow it to send products directly from those locations more cheaply and quickly. Twenty-six stores now ship orders, and that will expand to 55 by the end of the year.

Within the next three years, Shull said the goal is to deliver something on base within two hours of when it is ordered. That's possible partly because the Exchanges are already on base, cleared by security.

The Exchange delivers most orders on the second day now. Shull said shipping from stores will make a big difference in regions around bases, which are often in more rural areas.

Expanding online shopping to all honorably discharged veterans is expected to add about \$200 million annually within three years to the \$8.3 billion in sales the Exchanges generated last year.

Adding those shoppers, what Shull called "the foundation of our growth," is critical to help offset the 13 percent decline in the number of active-duty Army and Air Force soldiers since 2011

when the Exchange generated \$10.3 billion revenue.

"It's a modest benefit, but it can save you thousands of dollars a year," said Shull, a graduate of the U.S. Military Academy who served in the Army for a decade before starting a retail career at chains including Macy's.

Competing on price in today's retail environment is increasingly difficult, said Edward Jones analyst Brian Yarbrough. Just look at how much trouble Walmart has competing with Amazon, he said, because Walmart has the fixed costs associated with its stores.

"To think you're going to compete on price, you're going to have a hard time there," he said.

Under Shull's leadership, the Exchange stores have traded their industrial feel and reliance on off-brand merchandise for a more modern look featuring well-known labels.

Two-thirds of the main Exchange store at Offutt Air Force Base resembles any department store, with prominent displays of

name-brand makeup, Nike fitness gear and Carter's clothes for kids. The rest is filled with the kind of electronics, appliances, housewares and toys found at Walmart or Sears, with major brands in every section.

The Exchanges don't pay rent for their military base locations, and the government transports some of their supplies and goods to far-flung locations, but otherwise they operate mostly like an independent retailer. Roughly two-thirds of the employees are family members of soldiers or airmen.

The Exchange, which is part of the Defense Department, reported earnings of \$384 million last year.

Of last year's profit, \$225 million was returned to the Defense Department to help pay for quality-of-life programs on bases like child development and fitness centers. Besides the main stores, the Exchanges also operate more than 70 movie theaters and bring in franchise restaurants and other vendors for the shopping malls it operates on bases.

## Inspections

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**2017 - Inspection.** Priority Violations Found: 4. Observed: Observed employee handle cheese with bare hand. Required: Employees may not contact exposed, ready to eat food with their bare hands. Corrected by discarding product. Observed: Cut up cheese samples displayed without a cover. Required: Ready to eat food on display shall be protected from contamination by the use of display cases or other effective means. Observed: Food contact surface of zucchini noodle maker found unclean. Required: Equipment food-contact surfaces shall be clean to sight and touch. Observed: Untreated juice found without any warning label. Required: Juice packaged in a food establishment shall be labeled (if not treated) to indicate they have not been specifically processed to prevent, reduce, or eliminate the presence of pathogens with the following, "WARNING: This product has not been pasteurized and, therefore, may contain harmful bacteria that can cause serious illness in children, the elderly, and persons with weakened immune systems." Nonpriority Violations Found: 0.

**Rubys -sushi Bar, 2843 E. Sunshine St., Springfield. 07/20/2017 - Inspection.** Priority Violations Found: 1. Observed: Operator did not record pH reading of sushi rice. Required: According to the approved HACCP plan, pH must be recorded of every batch of sushi rice made. Corrected on site. Nonpriority Violations Found: 1. Observed: Label for California Roll used on a Philadelphia Roll without adjusting ingredients. Required: Label information shall include all ingredients in descending order of predominance by weight. Corrected on site with proper ingredients.

**Skullys, 2238 N. Benton Ave., Springfield. 07/17/2017 - Inspection.** Priority Violations Found: 0. Nonpriority Violations Found: 1. Observed: prep cooler was not maintaining temperature of 41 degrees or below. Required: equipment for cooling and holding cold food shall be sufficient in number and capacity.

**Skybox Grille & Lounge, 1271 E. Montclair St., Springfield. 07/17/2017 - Reinspection.** Priority item corrected. All foods held at proper temperatures. Priority Violations Found: 0. Nonpriority Violations Found: 0.

**Springfield Brewing Company, 301 S. Market Ave., Springfield. 07/18/2017 - Inspection.** Priority Violations Found: 1. Observed: mechanical dish washing machine not applying sanitizer. Required: mechanical dish washing machine with chlorine sanitizer to have concentration between 50-100ppm. Nonpriority Violations Found: 0.

**St. George's Barbeque And Catering, 3012 S. National Ave., Springfield. 07/18/2017 - Inspection.** Priority Violations Found: 2. Observed: Ribs held at 120F in hot well. Required: Must be held at 135F or above. Observed: Coleslaw held at 45F in reach-in cooler. Required: Must be held at 41F or below. Nonpriority Violations Found: 0.

**Tropical Whip, 1445 W. Kearney St., Springfield. 07/19/2017 - Inspection.** Will be set up on W. Kearney. Priority Violations Found: 0. Nonpriority Violations Found: 0.

**Vaskens Deli, 3522 S. National Ave., Springfield. 07/17/2017 - Inspection.** Priority Violations Found: 1. Observed: Spray bottles of cleaners stored over food contact items. Required: Locate toxic

materials in an area that is not above food or food contact items. Nonpriority Violations Found: 1. Observed: Foods made and packaged on site not labeled. Required: Must be labeled with common name of food, Establishment name, ingredients, and quantity.

**Walmart Neighborhood Market (deli) #3111, 545 W. El Camino Alto Drive, Springfield. 07/17/2017 - Inspection.** Priority Violations Found: 0. Nonpriority Violations Found: 0.

**Walnut Street Inn, 900 E. Walnut St., Springfield. 07/17/2017 - Inspection.** Priority Violations Found: 1. Observed: sanitizer water at dish sink tested 0ppm chlorine. Required: sanitizer water shall test 50-100ppm for chlorine at all time. Corrected on site by adding bleach; water tested 50-100ppm chlorine. Nonpriority Violations Found: 0.

**Willard City Recreation Center, 133 W. Jackson St., Willard. 07/19/2017 - Inspection.** Priority Violations Found: 0. Nonpriority Violations Found: 2. Observed: One food worker was observed putting in bare hand to open bags for popcorn. Promptly stopped and washed

hands and put on disposable gloves once brought to his attention. Required: Must handle single service items in a manner to prevent contamination. Observed: One ceiling tile has water damage in concession area. Repeat violation Required: Must maintain facility in good condition.

**Yoshi Jen Grill & Sides, 3250 E.**

**Battlefield Road, Springfield. 07/14/2017 - Inspection.** No violations. Priority Violations Found: 0. Nonpriority Violations Found: 0.

**Zaxby's, 3220 E. Sunshine St., Springfield. 07/19/2017 - Inspection.** Priority Violations Found: 0. Nonpriority Violations Found: 1. Observed: Bottom of standup refrigerator found unclean. Re-

quired: Nonfood-contact surfaces of equipment shall be kept free of an accumulation of residue.

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Schmitt takes over as assistant chief of police as Stan Dobbins, Branson chief of police, continues filling the role of Branson's city manager. Working as the assistant chief, Schmitt said he hopes to help ease Dobbins' work load on the policing side. "My goal — and I haven't had this conversation with the chief — is to relieve the stress he's going to have running two

separate areas," Schmitt said. "Obviously, it's a fulltime job in and of itself to run the city. So anything I can do to take some of the pressure off of him on the daily police department is my goal." On the job, Schmitt said he considers community relations one of the most important parts of his job.

"People can recite the definition of community policing and it's one thing to do that and another to truly practice it," he said. "To truly know your community and work with them to address their concerns. I want to continue to offer that level of service here."

"(Remember) the Golden Rule and remember police legitimacy, remember to let them know we care and we want to make a difference for them."

Outside of the job, Schmitt said his family love spending time in the outdoors, on dirt bikes and ATVs. The family also has a love for baseball.

"We're a very big baseball family," Schmitt said. "I've coached both (recreational) and competitive baseball for the last 16 years."

Looking ahead, Schmitt said he's looking forward to laying down roots in Branson.

"Either until I'm kicked out or they're going to bury me here," he said. "This is where we wanted to set down roots, this is where we want to remain."

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## Branson man pleads guilty after high-speed chase with Highway Patrol

A 22-year-old Branson man pled guilty to multiple felonies in connection with a high-speed chase with the Missouri State Highway Patrol — with two kids in the car.

Jacob McCracken, 22, of Branson pled guilty to one count of endangering the welfare of a child in the first degree, two counts of resisting arrest and one count of driving with a revoked license.

McCracken entered an open plea without an agreement before Taney County Circuit Court Judge Tony Williams. McCracken is classified

as a prior and persistent felony offender. He's set for sentencing Oct. 3.

On April 10, a trooper with the Missouri State Highway Patrol received a tip that McCracken was on Highway 165 traveling towards Hollister in a gray SUV. McCracken had two active felony warrants out for his arrest.

The trooper attempted a traffic stop of the vehicle. McCracken took off and during the pursuit ran through a stop sign, drove into the oncoming lane of traffic — six times — and endangered other drivers on the road.

According to a press release by the Taney County Prosecutor's Office, McCracken abandoned the SUV on Diamond Hill — and the two children who were riding with him in the backseat. He then led the trooper and Taney County sheriff's deputies on a foot chase.

With the aid of the Missouri State Highway Patrol's K-9, McCracken was tracked to a residence on Wisconsin Road where he was found hiding from officers under a porch. McCracken had a suspended and revoked

driver's license at the time of his arrest.

As a prior and persistent felony offender, McCracken faces three to 10 years in prison or up to one year in the Taney County Jail and/or a fine not to exceed \$10,000 for each count of endangering the welfare of a child in the first degree.

For each count of resisting arrest and driving while license revoked, McCracken is facing up to seven years in the prison or up to one year in the County Jail and/or a fine not to exceed \$10,000.

## Health Department to host blood drive

The Taney County Health Department invites the community to join them Friday, July 21 at the Forsyth office parking lot for a blood drive. The Community Blood Center of the Ozarks (CBCO) will have the blood mobile in the Forsyth office parking lot (16470 US Hwy 160) from 10:00 am to 3 p.m. Free T-shirts will be given to all donors.

Did you know the Community Blood Center of the Ozarks is the sole provider of blood to 40 hospitals throughout Southwest Missouri and Northwest Arkansas, including Branson and Springfield? This means your blood donation stays local and could save the life of friends, neighbors and loved ones.

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## 38th Judicial Circuit honored for timely hearings by Supreme Court

On behalf of the 38th Judicial Circuit, Presiding Judge Laura Johnson accepted the Permanency Award from Supreme Court of Missouri Judge W. Brent Powell during a special ceremony this afternoon at the Christian County Courthouse in Ozark. This is the eighth time the 38th circuit, which included Christian and Taney counties in the last fiscal year, has

received the Permanency Award.

The Permanency Award recognizes circuits for their excellence in service to children and families. Award recipients achieved standards for timely hearings in fiscal 2016 in child abuse and neglect cases in which children removed from their homes are to be reunited with their families or are to be

placed in another permanent home as soon as possible.

"Protecting and ensuring stability for Missouri children who are brought into our judicial system must be a priority for courts," Powell said in presenting the award. "As a former trial judge, I saw first-hand children come into my courtroom through no fault of their own because they had been abused or neglected. They needed the court to place them in a safe,

stable and permanent home as quickly as possible.

"This award, now celebrating its 12th year, is a testament to the leadership and hard work of judges, juvenile officers, clerks, children's division workers, Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) and other support staff who work every day to protect and ensure stability for children who suffer from abuse and neglect," Powell said. In the years since the Court instituted the awards, the timeliness of hearings throughout the state has increased by an average of 6 percent over while the number of required hearings has increased 30 percent. Of the more than 52,500 required hearings

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sentences with the possibility of parole.

A Jasper County jury found Robert Campbell guilty on two counts of second-degree murder and he's serving two life sentences without the possibility of parole; and Phillip Friend, who testified for the Taney County Prosecutor's Office against family members, is serving a seven-year sentence on a gun charge and 14 years on two counts of second-degree murder.

During the course of the trial, Robert Campbell's wife, Carolyn, died in the couple's home of an apparent suicide the day after she was charged with lying to the grand jury and posted bond. Carolyn Campbell was 69.

Taney County Prosecutor Jeff Merrell prosecuted the killers who murdered the Porter's in conjunction with a team of investigators from the Green County Sheriff's Office, the Taney County Sheriff's Office, the Missouri Highway Patrol and multiple other agencies.

In 2012, a Taney County Grand Jury indicted all five charged in connection with the Porter's murders. Robert Campbell was jealous over the couple moving into the family's homestead which later mysteriously burned to the ground while the investigation into the couple's death was still on-going.

Merrell said he had multiple phone interviews with Zahn's team and later flew to New York for a sit-down interview with Zahn. He said the interview lasted about one hour. Merrell said Zahn's team came to Missouri and worked on the TV project.

He said former Greene County Det. Scott Britton, who was the lead detective on the Porter's case, was the one who initiated the contact with Zahn's team. Merrell said family members and others were interviewed for the production.

Merrell said talks with Zahn's team began shortly after Phillip Friend was sentenced in 2015.

"It will be interesting to see how it turns out," Merrell said. "I hope they stick to the facts...I wanted the community to know that the case will be aired...Everyone's hard work on the case made my job as a prosecutor easier."

It took five years to put the five family members in prison for killing the Porters.

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## TCFRW to meet Thursday

TCFRW will meet this week on Thursday at 5 p.m. at Ye Olds English Inn in Hollister.

Kathy Drake, former MFRW President, will be the featured speaker, discussing the inner workings and objectives of the Republican Women's organization.

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# Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan Revision and Master Plan Public Comment Period



## ATTEND A PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE

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**Monday, July 31, 2017**

**4:00 – 7:00 p.m.**

Chateau on the Lake  
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**Branson, MO**

**Tuesday, August 1, 2017**

**4:00 – 7:00 p.m.**

Shell Knob Central Community  
United Methodist Church  
25682 State Hwy Yy  
**Shell Knob, MO**

**Wednesday, August 2, 2017**

**4:00 – 7:00 p.m.**

Reeds Spring High School  
20277 State Hwy 413  
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The Army Corps of Engineers, Little Rock District, is requesting comments on the Table Rock Lake Master Plan and Draft Shoreline Management Plan with Environmental Assessment that describes several developed alternatives with potential impacts.

**We want to hear from you! Please attend the public scoping open house or visit:**

<https://go.usa.gov/xN92C>

**for current information or to submit comments.**

*Attend one of the three public scoping open houses to learn the details of the 2014 Master Plan & 2017 Draft Shoreline Management Plan and provide your input on possible alternatives for the future shoreline use and management of Table Rock Lake. Your input will help define the final Table Rock Shoreline Management Plan scheduled for completion in December 2017.*

**Comments should be submitted by August 30, 2017 to: Dana Coburn, Chief, Environmental Branch, USACE, Little Rock District, P.O. Box 867, Little Rock, AR 72203, Fax: (501) 324-5605, Email: [M4TRMP@usace.army.mil](mailto:M4TRMP@usace.army.mil)**

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## TABLE ROCK LAKE SHORELINE MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE

The Army Corps of Engineers, Little Rock District, is releasing the draft revision to the Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan (SMP). The SMP for Table Rock Lake establishes policy and furnishes guidelines for the protection and preservation of the desirable environmental characteristics of the shoreline while maintaining a balance between public and private shoreline use.

Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) an Environmental Assessment of potential impacts of the draft plan has also been prepared.

In accordance with WRDA 2016, the 2014 Table Rock Lake Master Plan is also under public review and comment.

We want to hear from you!

Please attend a meeting or visit <https://go.usa.gov/xN9TY> to review current information and make comments.

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Attend one of the three public workshops to learn the details of the draft revised Shoreline Management Plan and draft Environmental Assessment. Staff will be available at these meetings to answer questions. Your comments will help finalize the revision to the Table Rock Shoreline Management Plan Update.

Comments should be submitted by August 30, 2017 to:  
Table Rock Lake SMP/MP/EA Project Manager, Programs and Projects Management  
Division, USACE, Little Rock District, P.O. Box 867, Little Rock, AR 72203,  
Fax: (501) 324-6518  
Email: [CESWL-TableRockShoreLineManagementPlanUpdate@usace.army.mil](mailto:CESWL-TableRockShoreLineManagementPlanUpdate@usace.army.mil)

PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT INSTRUCTIONS

AUTHORITY: ER 1130-2-406, and the laws and regulations referenced therein.

PRINCIPAL PURPOSE(S): To provide a means for the maximum practicable public participation in Shoreline Management Plan formulation, preparation and subsequent revisions, through the use of public meetings, group workshops, open houses or other public involvement.

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## **CORPS SEEKS COMMENTS ON DRAFT TABLE ROCK LAKE SHORELINE MANAGEMENT PLAN, 2014 MASTER PLAN**

BRANSON, Mo. – The Army Corps of Engineers, Little Rock District is seeking public comments through Aug. 31 on the draft Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan as well as the 2014 Table Rock Lake Master Plan.

A draft Environmental Assessment, which evaluates the potential impacts of each alternative, will also be available for review.

The draft documents are available online at: <http://go.usa.gov/xN92J>.

Comments can be mailed to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Little Rock District, Programs and Project Management Division, ATTN: Table Rock SMP, P.O Box 867, Little Rock, AR 72203-0867 or e-mailed to CESWL-[TableRockShorelineManagementPlanUpdate@usace.army.mil](mailto:TableRockShorelineManagementPlanUpdate@usace.army.mil). An on-line fillable comment card is available at <http://go.usa.gov/xN92J>.

During public workshops, planned for late July and early August, representatives from the Corps will present an overview of the draft plan, answer questions and gather comments from the public.

The shoreline management plan for Table Rock Lake establishes policy and furnishes guidelines for the protection and preservation of the desirable environmental characteristics of the shoreline while maintaining a balance between public and private shoreline use. The last SMP update was completed in 1996.

For more information about the shoreline management plan update process visit the following website: <http://go.usa.gov/xN92J>.

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CORPS ANNOUNCES WORKSHOPS FOR  
 TABLE ROCK LAKE'S SHORELINE  
 MANAGEMENT PLAN REVISION

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Release no. 17-141

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BRANSON, Mo. -- The Army Corps of Engineers, Little Rock District will hold three workshops July 31 through Aug. 2 in Branson, Shell Knob and Reeds Spring, Mo. to discuss and seek input on the draft Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan. All interested persons are invited.

The drop-in workshops will be held from 4 p.m. until 7 p.m. Monday, July 31 at the Chateau on the Lake in Branson, Mo., Tuesday, Aug. 1 at the Shell Knob Central Community United Methodist Church in Shell Knob, Mo., and Wednesday, Aug. 2 at the Reeds Spring High School in Reeds Spring, Mo.

A draft Environmental Assessment, which evaluates the potential impacts of each SMP alternatives, will also be available for review. The draft documents are available online at: <https://go.usa.gov/xN6Jr>.

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For more information about the shoreline management plan update process visit the following website: <https://go.usa.gov/xN6Jr>.

Comments can be mailed to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Little Rock District, Programs and Project Management Division, ATTN: Table Rock SMP, P.O Box 867, Little Rock, AR 72203-0867 or e-

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mailed to CESWL-TableRockShorelineManagementPlanUpdate@usace.army.mil. An on-line fillable comment card is available at <https://go.usa.gov/xN6Jr>.

Comments may also be provided during the public review and comment period which ends Aug. 30.

To review the 2014 Table Rock Master Plan and Environmental Assessment that describes several alternatives and potential impacts, please visit: <https://go.usa.gov/xN6Jr>.

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**Date Time Location**

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## **CORPS ENCOURAGES PUBLIC TO PROVIDE COMMENTS FOR DRAFT TABLE ROCK LAKE SHORELINE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

BRANSON, Mo. – The Army Corps of Engineers encourages the public to provide comments on the draft for Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan before the comment period closes Aug. 30.

Around 700 people attended the public workshops, held July 31 through Aug. 2, and more than 350 comments have been received so far.

“We want to thank the public for their interest and input into this review process, so far,” said Dana Coburn, project manager for the Table Rock Lake’s SMP update. “Our goal is to hear from as many people as we can about ideas that will help sustain the future of the lake for many years to come.

“The top two issues we are hearing about are alternative power source, such as solar, being required for existing private and community boat docks and the removal of no-wake buoys near private and community docks,” added Coburn.

The Corps is exploring additional alternatives for both of these issues, looking for the best solutions.

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“We heard about the concerns of removing existing power lines to docks, and recognize that a one size fits all approach is probably not the best solution, so we are asking you for detailed feedback to help us determine what right could look like. Maybe replacement of the electrical line with solar could be when an electric line needs to be replaced or doesn’t pass inspection,” said Coburn.

The same could apply to no-wake buoys.

“How might we ensure that a no-wake buoy is properly maintained and doesn’t exceed the 100-foot distance from private and community docks, provides the proper warning notification and meets the conditions of the permit,” asked Coburn.

Little Rock District leadership emphasizes that every comment card or email is being read and catalogued.

“It’s important that everyone who is interested in the future of Table Rock Lake gets an equal opportunity to be heard,” said Coburn. “There are many differing positions on SMP topics, and we are considering all viewpoints. The public’s opinion will help shape the outcome of this plan.”

More detailed feedback, from lake users on these two topics as well as others, is needed to find the best solutions possible by the end of the Aug. 30 comment period. The Corps would also like to remind people to provide comments on parts of the plan they would like to see implemented.

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### **CORPS ENCOURAGES PUBLIC...**

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The shoreline management plan for Table Rock Lake establishes policy for the protection and preservation of the desirable environmental characteristics of the shoreline while maintaining a balance between public and private shoreline use. The last SMP update was completed in 1996.

For more information about the shoreline management plan update process and to information on how to submit comments visit the following website: <https://go.usa.gov/xRpA7>.

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## **CORPS EXTENDS PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR TABLE ROCK SHORELINE MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE**

BRANSON, Mo. – The Army Corps of Engineers is extending the public comment period until Sept. 15 for Draft Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan, Draft Environmental Assessment, Draft Finding of No Significant Impact, and 2014 Table Rock Lake Master Plan.

“Our goal is to hear from people about ideas that help sustain the future of the lake for many years to come,” said Dana Coburn, project manager for the Table Rock Lake SMP update.

The shoreline management plan for Table Rock Lake establishes policy for the protection and preservation of the desirable environmental characteristics of the shoreline while maintaining a balance between public and private shoreline use.

The last SMP update was completed in 1996.

“We recently held open houses to allow for feedback from the public on how we can improve the draft SMP and associated documents,” said Coburn. “More than 700 attended these events and some people still have questions about what we are proposing in the draft SMP update. By extending the comment period we hope everyone will have a chance to read the draft and provide suggestions on how to improve the final product. With that goal we have extended the public comment period deadline until Sept. 15.”

For more information about the shoreline management plan update process and to information on how to submit comments visit the following website: <http://go.usa.gov/xN6Jr>.

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# TABLE ROCK LAKE

## SHORELINE MANAGEMENT PLAN REVISION AND MASTER PLAN PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

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# Appendix B

## Media Coverage



July 11 – Proposal would require docks to be green by 2027, KOLR-10, Springfield, MO  
<http://www.ozarksfirst.com/news/proposal-would-require-docks-to-be-green-by-2027/763177138>

## Proposal Would Require Docks to Be Green by 2027

*The Proposal Is Part Of The Latest TRL Shoreline Management Plan*

**By:** Grant Sloan

**Posted:** Jul 11, 2017 06:36 PM CDT

**Updated:** Jul 11, 2017 06:36 PM CDT

7/11/2017 - TABLE ROCK LAKE, Mo. – Boat dock owners may have to shell out some green to cover a push by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to go green. 153

A new proposal, tied to the latest draft of the Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan, would require boat docks to be powered by an alternative electricity source like solar panels by the end of 2027.

"To make existing docks retrofit after they've already invested in electricity, I don't see how you can mandate that," says David Casaletto, who owns two boat slips on Table Rock Lake.

In addition to having a personal interest in the Shoreline Management Plan, Casaletto, who is the director of the environmental group Ozarks Water Watch, also sat in on the focus group discussions tied to the latest draft.

He doesn't have an issue with the rule that requires newly-installed boat docks to use an alternative energy source, but he believes the 1300 docks that would be impacted by the proposal – 70% of all docks on the lake – should be grandfathered in.

"Just the solar is \$4500," he says, "and I don't know what it will cost to remove the poles and restore the ground."

Casaletto says new government regulations should always factor affordability into the equation.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers doesn't have an estimate on what the proposal could cost dock and slip owners. However, it believes removing electrical lines tied to the shoreline, many that currently hang over the water is a step in the right direction.

"We're trying to be greener -looking for that renewable energy source," says Corps Project Manager, Dana Coburn, "and then in some regards, it's a bit safer."

"If we do go to a solar or wind power or other alternative power source, I think it's less likely impacted if we have a high water event," she says.

But Casaletto says the current system being used on Table Rock Lake is safe. He says electrocutions, like those at Lake of Ozarks in years past, aren't an issue due to the inspection standards the Corps currently has in place.

"That's why we have not had the problem here," he says. "So they're fixing a problem that doesn't exist and we're ending up paying for it as slip owners."

The Corps says the new proposal, like all proposals in the latest draft, isn't set in stone. It's encouraging residents to voice their opinion during the public comment period.

The public comment period runs through August 30th. To check out the latest draft click [here](#).

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# Corps seeking public comments on shoreline management plan, 2014 master plan

By Ann Marie Temple

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Through Aug. 31, the Army Corps of Engineers Little Rock District is seeking public comments on two Table Rock Lake plans.

The Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan and the 2014 Table Rock Lake Master Plan are available online for the public to review, Laurie Driver, public information officer for the Corps, said in a phone interview.

There will be workshops held during the last week of July and the beginning of August, Driver said, but there are no specific dates set. When

the dates are chosen, the Corps will send out a press release.

During the workshops, representatives from the Corps will present an overview of the draft plan and will also answer questions and collect public comments, a press release from the Corps states.

The Corps, which Driver said is directed by law to allow public input, is asking everyone to participate.

"We would like everyone to look at the plans online and come to the workshops if they can," she said, and if they

can't attend the workshops, "let their voices be heard and leave comments."

Comments can be mailed to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Little Rock District, Programs and Project Management Division, ATTN: Table Rock SMP, P.O. Box 867, Little Rock, AR., 72203-0867, or comments can be emailed to [CESWL-TableRockShorelineManagementPlanUpdate@usace.army.mil](mailto:CESWL-TableRockShorelineManagementPlanUpdate@usace.army.mil).

An online comment card, draft documents and more information are available at [go.usa.gov/xN92J](http://go.usa.gov/xN92J).

## **July 26- Workshops scheduled for shoreline plan Branson, MO (Branson Tri Lake News)**

[http://bransontrilakesnews.com/news\\_free/article\\_9a8cb538-7168-11e7-b45e-732e112b5185.html](http://bransontrilakesnews.com/news_free/article_9a8cb538-7168-11e7-b45e-732e112b5185.html)

### **Workshops scheduled for shoreline plan**

Three workshops have been scheduled to discuss the Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan with the public.

The Army Corps of Engineers scheduled the workshops in three different locations from Monday, July 31, to Wednesday, Aug. 2, a press release from the Corps stated.

The Monday workshop will be at the Chateau on the Lake. The Tuesday workshop will be held in Shell Knob at United Methodist Church, and the Wednesday workshop will be at Reeds Spring High School, the press release stated. All the workshops are from 4-7 p.m.

Some of the major changes to the shoreline plan for private docks include a change in the number of threshold opportunities, the power source for private docks, and the allowed amount of modification requests for docks.

According to the online revised shoreline plan, "there is now a threshold of 30,806 access opportunities (boat slips and launch ramp parking spaces) that can be placed on the lake."

The plan also states that private docks are now required to switch over to alternative power, such as solar power and other similar types, by 2027. All new docks will be required to have alternative power when built, but docks already on the water have 10 years to make the transition.

As for modification requests, only one request can be sent in the five year permit period by the permittee. According to the shoreline plan, a request to change to alternative power will not count against the one opportunity for a modification request.

Lori Driver, a public information officer for the Corps, said she advises everyone to read the revised plan online and attend the workshops.

“Everything is on our website. We would like everyone to look at the plans online and come to the workshops if they can,” Driver said. “If they can’t, we want to let their voices be heard and leave comments.”

Comments will be accepted through Aug. 31 and can be filled out online at [go.usa.gov/xN92J](http://go.usa.gov/xN92J), or emailed to CESWL-tablerockshorelinemanagementplanupdate@usace.army.mil. Comments may also be mailed to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Little Rock District, Programs and Project Management Division, ATTN: Table Rock SMP, P.O. Box 867, Little Rock, AR 72203-0867.

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# Corps to release draft of shoreline management plan Friday

By JANN CLARK  
Staff Writer

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has lifted the moratorium on its permitting process and will unveil the draft of its Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan June 30 with public comment workshops to follow.

The draft version of the Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan (SMP) will be made available to the public via the Corps website Friday, June 30 and/or by contacting the Corps office in Little Rock, Ark. or their Table Rock Lake office.

The public comment period on the SMP is through Aug. 31.

The Corps is accepting permit requests in the order they are received and the requests can be

made from 8-11:30 a.m. and from 12:30-4 p.m. Monday through Friday by the duty ranger at the Table Rock Lake Project Office.

According to the Corp, a series of public workshops will be held in late July or early August to allow the public to comment on the draft SMP. Project personnel will be on-site during the workshops to gather information from local and park visitors.

The Corp is expected to release the public workshop dates soon.

The SMP hasn't been revised for 19 years – since 1996.

The SMP establishes policy and furnishes guidelines for the protection and preservation of the desirable environmental characteristics of

the shoreline while maintaining a balance between public and private shoreline use, according to the Corp.

The Corps held public workshops in March of 2015 as it began its work on the SMP. Since then there have been multiple complaints by politicians and the public about the Corps moratorium on permitting on Table Rock Lake.

Comments can be mailed to: Army Corps of Engineers, Little Rock District, Attn: Programs and Project Management Division, P.O. Box 867, Little Rock, Ark., 72203. Comments may be emailed to [CESWL-TableRockShorelineManagementPlanUpdate@usace.army.mil](mailto:CESWL-TableRockShorelineManagementPlanUpdate@usace.army.mil).

Comments may also be faxed to 501-324-5605.

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## Corps of Engineers takes comments on Shoreline Management Plan

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers met Tuesday, July 18, to discuss the Shoreline Management Plan (SMP). Comments on the plan will be accepted through Tuesday, Aug. 1, and can be emailed to Pomme.De-Terre@usace.army.mil or mailed to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at Rt. 2 Box 2160, Hermitage, Mo 65668.

The purpose of the draft is to establish policies and guidelines for the protection and preservation of the desirable environment's characteristics of the shoreline, while maintaining a balance between public and private shoreline use. There were 11 people in attendance. Among those were Pomme de Terre Project Manager Brian Wright, Natural Resource Manager Glen

Locke, and Shoreline Project Manager with the Kansas City District office, Emily Coffin.

The meeting began with Wright welcoming everyone to the meeting and thanking them for coming. He directed them to a handout, which detailed changes that have been made to the 2009 Shoreline Management Plan. These changes showed a complete re-format and duplication removed, which cleared up language.

There was a change of the minimum design standards for handrail/guardrail from 22" and 42" to a range of 20"- 24" for the guardrails, and 36"- 48" for the handrails. The reason is it "allows some variation in heights to best suit the usage."

There was removal of the one time, 20 percent expansion of grandfathered docks because there is no basis or support for it in the regulations.

They are also doing the removal of the combined shoreline use permit/license information because the program has been discontinued, and removal of the section pertaining to Satellite Concession Docks because it is a "RE function and not part of the SMP, the recommended removal and deletion of Dock Zone 27A." The reason for this is if the area was rezoned to facilitate the construction and placement of a new limited motel resort (with dock). The area has no road or access to it, and no work has taken place in over 10 years.

The property has sold, and owners are no longer pursuing a Limited Motel Resort Lease.

The final change was the recommended removal and deletion of Dock Zone 47. The reason for this was the area was rezoned to facilitate the placement of a Limited Motel Resort (with dock). The property owners are no longer pursuing that option.

The complete final draft can be reviewed at <http://www.nwk.usace.army.mil/Locations/District-Lakes/Pomme-de-Terre-Lake>.

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## >>>Shoreline Management

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After going through these changes, Wright opened the floor to questions. One gentleman stated he had concerns about the 50 percent capacity regulation. He was referring to the Corps of Engineers policy that zones can only be filled to 50 percent capacity with docks. This is to prevent overcrowding and protect natural resources. Zoning areas that are at, or above, 50 percent are not being issued any more dock permits.

The gentleman's chief complaint was the lack of what he saw as enforcement in this regulation. He offered up several instances of zoning areas well above 50 percent capacity, and wanted to know why the Corps has begun cracking down on not allowing new expansions.

Corps officials answered that many of the docks were grandfathered in to the policy due to being placed there be-

fore it was created. Thus, they are living with decisions made in the past, putting the zones in place where docks have gotten to the point of exceeding what the agency had intended. Coffin expressed agreement that many of the decisions from that time may not have been the best, but they are doing what they can to rectify that matter now. It was also noted that the 50 percent regulation was a nation wide regulation, and that changing it would be a national matter.

The gentlemen then pointed out that 4.9 percent of the shoreline is covered under docks. He asked how that number compares to other lakes. Wright listed several statistics which stated that Pomme de Terre Lake has more private docks than all the other lakes in the Kansas City District combined, and ranks in the top 10 in the nation. It was also noted that Pomme de Terre was not over saturated

with boat ramps, so there was very little pressure for private boat ramps.

Coffin admitted that she was unfamiliar with certain aspects that make Pomme de Terre Lake unique, but noted that when compared to other jobs she has worked, Pomme de Terre has been less strict and more open minded when creating their SMP.

It should be noted that the Corps has put a halt to issuing docking permits until the shoreline plan has been completed. The plan is estimated to be signed, approved, and completed by mid August. It should also be noted that, per a nationwide regulation, rezoning requests for new docking areas are only considered during the review period for the SMP, which occurs every five years. They can be submitted at anytime, but will only be considered during that review period.

With this information, the

gentleman posed the question about if the Corps believed their plan allowed for recreational growth.

"Missouri is 19th in the nation for boat sales," the man stated. "And anymore it is not uncommon to see boats as long as 30 feet, yet the minimum space between docks is 20 feet. I agree you must be smart in planning, but use the total area designated for dock so those who own docks can expand."

After a moment's thought, Wright answered that he did believe their plan allowed for recreational growth, offering that they were currently considering rezoning an area called Windmill Point for docking.

"Based on our authority, we are allowing for growth," Wright stated after the man expressed disagreement with his words. "From the Corps side of things, growth is additional parks and camp grounds."

The man then referred to



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House Bill 5303: Water Resources Development. The amendment proposed by Missouri representative of the seventh district Billy Long, in partnership with Senator Roy Blunt, stated, "This amendment lifts the Army Corps of Engineers' moratorium on the issuance of dock permits for Table Rock Lake and delays

the final rule for revising the Shoreline Management Plan. It extends the public comment period and requires a study on the permit fee structure for Table Rock Lake."

It should be noted that this Bill does not apply to any other lakes in the state of Missouri. It is specific to Table Rock Lake. The gentlemen was simply using it as an example of the similarities he sees between Table Rock Lake and Pomme de Terre.

He claimed that the issues facing Table Rock Lake were similar to what Pomme de Terre was facing in the need for more private docks.

"There hasn't been any interest in expansion," Coffin said. "We've only had three requests for rezoning submitted."

From there, Corps staff went on to explain that with rezoning they had several things to consider, including public access. They also have to respond to requests for rezoning and have no authority to just pick an area to be rezoned and put in public access points. Another guest posed the question of what determines a zone's length? The Corps stated they did not have a set number of feet a zone length had to meet. It is solely determined by the amount of usable space in a cove.

Moving to another individual's concerns, the Corps addressed a man who has been having issues with the placement of his private dock in regard to his home. His private dock sits behind a rental home and the rental home's dock sits closer to his home. Consequently, he is having to cross through the rental property to reach his

dock and states the owners of that property do not clean up behind the home. So, consequently, brush and debris from flooding often piles up along the banks. He is also having issues where he has to be sure the renters aren't using his dock, as he is at huge liability if someone was to get injured, and risks them damaging his dock.

He made a request to move his dock so it was directly behind his home, and, thus, more conveniently accessed by him. He made it clear he wasn't looking to have a new dock put in, just to move his. He made the request that they consider adding a rule that in addition to there having to be 20 feet of space between docks, the owners of the docks be required to keep a 10 foot radius around their docks clear of debris.

He noted after flooding he could spend three days, eight hours a day, just hauling brush and trees from that shore line. He said he was wearing himself out maintaining it.

Wright acknowledged that the gentleman's area was notorious for catching debris and called his situation rather unique. They looked at the area on a digital map, noting that the area did have a public access road and debated the man's request. Coffin offered to look at the property to get a better idea of what they were dealing with before deciding one way or another if it was possible to grant his request to move his dock.

The next guest asked if she would be able to expand her dock, located in Dock Zone 60. The zone is currently at 72 percent capacity, which led to Coffin asking if it was a grandfathered dock. It was not. They discussed several details, such as there no longer being a public access point in that area, but noted she still had legal access to it. It was eventually decided that she could possibly expand it as long as she could keep the required 20 feet of space between the other docks and the boat ramp. They recommended

she put in an official request and that they would look into it further.

The first gentleman came back with another question, this time in regard to Dock Zone 41, which is currently sitting at 72 percent capacity. He asked how much space would need to be rezoned in that cove in order to get it below 50 percent. Locke crunch some numbers and figured that anywhere from 180 feet to 200 feet would have to be rezoned in that cove to knock it back down to below the 50 percent capacity line.

The man asked if he could submit a rezoning request with the intention of adding one other dock to the area. After looking at the digital map, there was some debate on if the rezoning would push the dock almost in the main lake. They looked at the possibility of putting it closer to the boat ramp, but the Corps immediately expressed the belief there wouldn't be enough room, stating it would "be tight."

They also discussed other features they must consider when looking at rezoning requests, such as water depth, which the gentleman estimated to be between eight and ten feet, but noted there were a few stumps in the area. Ultimately, the Corps stated the quickest option would be adding onto existing docks, if the other docks owners were receptive to doing co-owned docks.

A third gentleman was in attendance to appeal for two rezoning requests he submitted that had been denied. In one location, dock zone 53, he was looking to add a slip 14 feet to bottom, with 21 feet to expand. The Corps stated that the main reason the expansion had been denied was it only benefited one person. When granting rezoning requests, they always consider how many people would benefit from the change.

There was also no public access point for that area anymore. There used to be, but the road had been shut down long ago and has since become

over grown. Zach Wallace, a park ranger, stated they could ask about reopening the road through a license agreement, but the gentleman was not in favor of that idea. He then asked if it would make any difference that the change would actually benefit two people, as once he planned to sell half the dock after expanding.

The other request the gentleman had was to take out a grandfathered dock that is actually on the main part of the lake and make that area a dock zone. He offered the idea of putting a new dock where the grandfathered dock is currently, facing it north. With three to four slips. This would get it out of the main part of the lake.

After some debate over to the location, the man offered to move it down 100 feet. However, Locke stated he still didn't see much difference. The man claimed to have three other people who wanted to put a dock in that area and stated he also believed the grandfathered dock owner would benefit as well, as he'd have a new covered dock. He requested four slips, but after crunching the numbers, it was determined 80 feet would have to be rezoned to keep the cover under 50 percent, as well as the size of the docks.

The man said he may need to make some adjustments to his request. Locke recommended he go ahead and submit the request again for consideration.

A couple with a half dock in Haverstick Cove arrived and asked about necessary repairs that would have to be done to the dock after it was damaged in the recent flooding. Their anchors had been pulled out, and they asked what anchors, arms, and walk ways were acceptable by the Corps standards. The Corps stated they did not actually have set standards on these materials, but offered to give the couple drawings for typical anchor designs.

The couple also asked about a request they had submitted to



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move their dock to the other side of the cove, and how it had been denied. They claimed to be crowded by the other dock, so an 18 foot dock was the largest they could have. The Corps again referenced the 20 foot regulation and looked at the digital map to determine if there may be room to move the dock over.

The couple stated they had

a neighbor who was requesting to move their dock to another cove currently void of any docks at all. After looking at the area, the Corps determined that wouldn't happen, as it was not zoned and had no public access point.

The wife asked what was the maximum length they could push out their dock. The Corps responded they could go out as far as one-third of the

cove. Wright suggested talking to other owners about combining docks, but the couple stated most of the docks in that area already have two owners, and so they believed the answer is no right now.

The couple was in a unique situation as well, as they were requesting not to expand their dock but to flip it, which would technically cause it to stick out farther. The cove is at over 80

percent capacity, so no new docks can be added right now. To help with the damages their dock had been receiving, it was recommended they tighten their cables, but they were warned that could cause them to wear down quicker.

With no other matters to discuss, and no other public comments to be heard, the meeting was adjourned.



**Shoreline Management Meeting-** The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers held a public meeting Tuesday, July 18, where they were accepting comments on the Shoreline Management Plan. Don James is pictured above directing the Corps employees, and other guests, attention to a specific docking zone he had questions about.

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**FCCLA National Winners-** Three Skyline FCCLA members attended the National Leadership Conference in Nashville, Tenn. between July 2 and July 7. While in attendance, students competed in STAR Events, and attended leadership workshops and networked. Pictured, from left, are: Hannah Benedict-Advocacy, receiving gold; Carina Vannicolo-Leadership, earning silver; and Sabrina Turnbow-Recycle and Redesign, receiving gold. Benedict and Turnbow are juniors. Vannicolo is a recent graduate of Skyline High School.

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***Dinner's Ready-*** Chef Jamie Hennessey and Gary Edwards helped to serve the catered meal offered during the Hickory County Community Wellness Foundation Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, held at the Weathered Wisdom Barn Thursday, July 20, near Preston. Guests were served a meal of chicken cordon bleu casserole, rice and vegetables, and salad. The meal was by donation, with proceeds supporting community grants that will be offered later this year. There was also a silent auction.

# **July 31- @9: Army Corps of Engineers' New Plan at Table Rock Lake has Some Residents Fighting Back Springfield, MO (KOZL Ozark First)**

<http://www.ozarksfirst.com/news/9-army-corps-of-engineers-new-plan-at-table-rock-lake-has-some-residents-fighting-back/779889901>

## **@9: Army Corps of Engineers' New Plan at Table Rock Lake has Some Residents Fighting Back**

Coming up at nine...

Some residents are fighting back against a new Army Corps of Engineers plan to manage Table Rock Lake's shoreline - Brea Douglas has more.

Plus, a Springfield man is headed to prison after being sentenced for a 2015 drunk driving crash that left one person permanently disabled.

And Jamie Warriner says Tuesday afternoon looks partly cloudy but warm.

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## **Corps Seeks Comments on Draft Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan, 2014 Master Plan**

BRANSON, Mo. - The Army Corps of Engineers, Little Rock District is seeking public comments through Aug. 31 on the draft Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan as well as the 2014 Table Rock Lake Master Plan.

A draft Environmental Assessment, which evaluates the potential impacts of each alternative, will also be available for review.

The draft documents are available online at: <http://go.usa.gov/xN92J>.

Comments can be mailed to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Little Rock District, Programs and Project Management Division, ATTN: Table Rock SMP, P.O. Box 867, Little Rock, AR 72203-0867 or e-mailed to CESWL-

TableRockShorelineManagementPlanUpdate@usace.army.mil. An online fillable comment card is available at <http://go.usa.gov/xN92J>.

During public workshops, planned for late July and early August, representatives from the Corps will present an overview of the draft plan, answer questions and gather comments from the public.

The shoreline management plan for Table Rock Lake establishes policy and furnishes guidelines for the protection and preservation of the desirable environmental characteristics of the shoreline while maintaining a balance between public and private shoreline use. The last SMP update was completed in 1996.

For more information about the shoreline management plan update process visit the following website: <http://go.usa.gov/xN92J>.

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# Workshops scheduled for shoreline plan

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Three workshops have been scheduled to discuss the Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan with the public.

The Army Corps of Engineers scheduled the workshops in three different locations from Monday, July 31, to Wednesday, Aug. 2, a press release from the Corps stated.

The Monday workshop will be at the Chateau on the Lake. The Tuesday workshop will be held in Shell Knob at United Methodist Church, and the Wednesday workshop will be at Reeds Spring High School, the press release stated. All the workshops are from 4-7 p.m.

Some of the major changes

to the shoreline plan for private docks include a change in the number of threshold opportunities, the power source for private docks, and the allowed amount of modification requests for docks.

According to the online revised shoreline plan, "there is now a threshold of 30,806 access opportunities (boat slips and launch ramp parking spaces) that can be placed on the lake."

The plan also states that private docks are now required to switch over to alternative power, such as solar power and other similar types, by 2027. All

new docks will be required to have alternative power when built, but docks already on the water have 10 years to make the transition.

As for modification requests, only one request can be sent in the five year permit period by the permittee. According to the shoreline plan, a request to change to alternative power will not count against the one opportunity for a modification request.

Lori Driver, a public information officer for the Corps, said she advises everyone to read the revised plan online and attend the workshops. "Everything is on our website.

We would like everyone to look at the plans online and come to the workshops if they can," Driver said. "If they can't, we want to let their voices be heard and leave comments."

Comments will be accepted through Aug. 31 and can be filled out online at [go.usa.gov/xN92J](http://go.usa.gov/xN92J), or emailed to [CESWL-tablerockshoreline-managementplanupdate@usace.army.mil](mailto:CESWL-tablerockshoreline-managementplanupdate@usace.army.mil). Comments may also be mailed to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Little Rock District, Programs and Project Management Division, ATTN: Table Rock SMP, P.O. Box 867, Little Rock, AR 72203-0867.



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## **Aug 02- Corps of Engineers seeks public input on Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan revision Cassville, MO (Cassville Democrat)**

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<http://www.cassville-democrat.com/story/2432780.html>

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Little Rock District, will be hosting a public meeting on Tuesday, Aug. 1, at United Methodist Church, 25682 State Hwy YY, Shell Knob, to discuss its Table Rock Lake shoreline management plan revision. Staff will be available to answer questions.

The Corps is releasing the draft revision to the Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan (SMP), which establishes policy and furnishes guidelines for the protection and preservation of the desirable environmental characteristics of the shoreline, while maintaining a balance between public and private shoreline use. Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and Environmental Assessment of potential impacts of the draft plan has also been prepared.

Comments from the public will help finalize the revision to the plan. An update is scheduled for public review in late 2017.

For current information and to submit comments, which should be sent by Aug. 30, visit <https://go.usa.gov/xN9Tx>, or comments may be mailed to:

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## **SHORELINE PLAN**

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# Residents voice concerns on shoreline management plan at workshop

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Private and community dock owners met at the Chateau on the Lake Monday evening to discuss proposed major changes to a Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan.

The focal points of residents' concerns were the requirements to switch to alternative power, remove no-wake buoys, boat slip size changes and vegetation modification.

Alternative power will be required for all new docks on the lake when the new plan goes into effect, but current docks have until 2027 to change over to alternative power, the shoreline management plan draft states.

A couple of residents asked if generators would be permitted for the docks, and Becky Shortt, a Corps employee, said no.

"Solar power will run intermittent uses on the dock," she said.

When discussing why the buoys must be removed, chief ranger Rodney Raley for the Army Corps of Engineers Little Rock District said it's because the buoys are not maintained.

Buoys must be 100 feet from docks no matter how high or low the lake levels change, Raley said. When the lake levels have been fluctuating, few residents are going out and moving the buoys, and "it confuses people."

Instead of having buoys, the Corps offered the alternative of having a no-wake sign on the docks, Raley said.

Some residents were not pleased with having to remove their buoys.

"If I have to move my buoy, (Big Cedar Lodge Owner) Johnny (Morris) should have to move his," Mike Brosnahan, dock owner and resident along Table Rock Lake, said.

Brosnahan cares about equality of regulations of everyone on the lake, he said, including commercial dock owners.

"If solar (power) is good enough for me, it's good enough for Johnny Morris," Brosnahan

said. "I'm only picking on Johnny Morris because he's the closest to me, but all need to be equal."

Some residents were curious about the slip size changes, and Shortt said many residents were having difficulties getting in and out of their boats with the current 14 feet by 30 feet docks, so the Corps proposed to change the slips to 12 feet by 30 feet.

When asked about how residents will be able to reach their docks with the proposed restriction on vegetation modification, or mowing, Raley said that residents can apply for a permit to mow around the path to their docks and around their docks.

Dana Coburn, project manager for the Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan Draft, said she has heard the residents' concerns at the workshop.

She said it seems that residents think this is the official plan, but it is not.

"We're at draft right now. We're looking to hear what people have to say about our proposal," she said.

As for the concerns of commercial docks not having the same regulations, Coburn said the management plan is for private, exclusive views that residents and renters have, and commercial owners have their own set of regulations to follow.

A few residents voiced their concern on how the Corps will enforce these new regulations, and Coburn said it would be possible with the Corps' rangers.

"They are the ones that go out and do inspections and are the enforcing hand," she said.

It is encouraged that residents send their comments via email or by mail to ensure their concerns are accounted for, Coburn said. Residents have until Aug. 30 to send in their comments.

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## **Aug 04- US Army Corps of Engineers revisits two Table Rock Lake proposals Springfield, MO (KY3)**

**US Army Corps of Engineers revisits two Table Rock Lake proposals**

<http://www.ky3.com/content/news/US-Army-Corps-of-Engineers-revisits-two-Table-Rock-Lake-proposals-438577873.html>

**Table Rock Lake, Mo.** -- People who live around Table Rock Lake voiced their concerns with some of the US Army Corps of Engineers proposals earlier this week at its public workshops.



Now, the Corps of Engineers says the feedback is making it revisit two of its many proposals to see how it can find common ground for the future of the lake.



Hundreds of people who live near Table Rock Lake went to the US Army Corps of Engineers workshop.

"Our last shore management plan was from 1996," Project Manager Dana Coburn, with the US Army Corps of Engineers, said. "So it's time to take a look at what's old, what needs to be revised."

People voiced their thoughts on the proposals for the future of the Shoreline Management Plan.

"They're introducing some new things that will impact our dock so you know knowledge is the key, you need to read all the information and find out what works best for you," Susan Wise said.

Now, the US Army Corps of Engineers is rethinking some of the proposals it received the most feed back on.

1. No-Wake buoys for private docks will not be allowed by the end of 2020.

The biggest concern some people had was boaters speeding by and now it's revisiting the proposal.

2. Docks with existing electric services would need to change to alternative power sources, like solar panels, by the end of 2027.

Some people felt the proposal would be costly, but Susan Wise felt that years down the road it would be worth it.

"I think in the long run, it's a good thing, it's good for the environment, it's good for the lake, it's good energy wise, safety wise, you know it impacts everybody, so you know you got to look at both sides," Wise said.

"Changing the docks over to solar that will impact us as we're a community of 12 different slips in our dock so you know it's going to have an impacts as far as cost and you know when I saw it's over 10 years that's going to give us a little more time to figure that out so that was good to hear."

The US Army Corps of Engineers said it wants to find a common ground for some of the proposals that mean the most to people around the lake.

"To have that balance of the permitted private use, the public use and that natural environment that's our challenge that's our job," Coburn said.

The US Army Corps of Engineers is looking for feedback and is taking input until August 30th.

If you want to give your feedback you can go to the comment form on this website:  
<http://www.swl.usace.army.mil/Missions/Planning/Table-Rock-Lake-Shoreline-Management-Plan/>



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# Comments sought on final draft of Table Rock Shoreline Management Plan

By **DAVID CASALETTO**,  
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The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has released what is probably the final version of the Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan, unless comments from the public convince the Corps to make additional changes.

I served for the last few years on the Corps Focus Group that helped the Corps get a sense of what changes the local community would like to see made in the Shoreline Management Plan. I served not only in my capacity as a water quality organization director, but also as an adjacent landowner with the Corps and as owner of one boat slip in two different boat docks.

The plan covers many different topics related to Table Rock Lake and it is

critical that anyone affected by the plan read it and comment to the Corps if they feel changes are needed. Topics include boat docks and slips, vegetation permits, special use permits such as ski courses and golf cart use and other shoreline activities.

I will admit that in my capacity as a boat slip owner, I am very frustrated by a provision in the plan that was not in previous plan drafts and was never discussed with the focus group. The Corps is now proposing to require all private boat docks to convert from regular electricity to alternative energy such as solar power in 10 years.

The Corps already requires solar on all new docks, but the plan now requires all existing docks to convert. This conversion will cost slip

owners millions of dollars and I can see no good reason for this - dock electricity already has to be inspected every time the permit is renewed to insure safety.

Plus solar will require the replacement of batteries and panels as they wear out which will make for ongoing expense. I personally will print out the comment form and make my opinion known to the Corps. I will also let my elected officials from Washington know my feelings.

The plan also details under what circumstances vegetation and grass can be removed from the shoreline. All vegetation modification requires a permit and there are distances from your home and size of trees and brush that can legally be removed detailed in the plan.

The current require-

ments are not always followed today, but the Corps may step up enforcement in the future, so everyone needs to be aware of the plan's rules.

It is very important that this plan is the best it can be as the last revision was completed 21 years ago so it is likely we will be living with this document for a long time. For additional information, you can go to the Corps Shoreline Management Plan website and print out a comment form. As users of and landowners near our beautiful lake, it is our responsibility to make our opinions known.

The deadline to file a comment on the Corps Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan is Wednesday, Aug. 30. To find the Corps comment form go online to: [swl.usace.army.mil](http://swl.usace.army.mil)

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# Corps looking for middle ground on shoreline plan

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Sections of the Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan Draft will be revised after residents voiced their concerns at three workshops in the area.

Two consistent concerns from residents at all three workshops were the removal of no-wake buoys from private docks and the requirement for private docks to switch to alternative power.

Residents do not want the no-wake buoys removed, but they are not maintaining the buoys, Lori Driver, a public information officer for the Army Corps of Engineers Little Rock District, said. The management plan draft required the removal of the buoys due to a lack of maintenance, and confusion for boaters when the buoys are not properly used. For alternative power, many residents were concerned that it was

too costly, and that alternative power options, like solar power, would not produce enough power for larger vessels, such as house boats.

Driver said the Corps will revisit those requirements in the plan.

"We will relook at those issues and see if we can find a middle ground," she said. "Those concerns specifically jumped out at us when reviewing the comments we have so far. Other concerns that people have will have to be reviewed as well."

Driver said feedback from residents is what the workshops were for, and the Corps is going to work at revising the concerning sections of the plan.

"We're positive we will see those changing," Driver said.

Residents may continue to send their comments to the Corps until Aug. 30 when the commenting period ends.

Comments can be mailed to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Little Rock District, Programs and Project Management Division, ATTN: Table Rock SMP, P.O. Box 867, Little Rock, AR., 72203-0867, a press release from the Corps stated, or comments can be emailed to [CESWL-TableRock-ShorelineManagementPlanUpdate@usace.army.mil](mailto:CESWL-TableRock-ShorelineManagementPlanUpdate@usace.army.mil).

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Portions of the Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan Draft will be revised after concerns were raised.

## **Aug 15- Concerns about the Table Rock shoreline plan Springfield, MO (Springfield News Leader)**

### **Concerns about the Table Rock shoreline plan**

<http://www.news-leader.com/story/opinion/readers/2017/08/15/concerns-table-rock-shoreline-plan/569606001/>

The Table Rock Lake The Corp of Engineers Shoreline Management Plan exposes a complete disregard for the safety and welfare of the using public. Three main areas are of major concern: access, energy, and bouy no-wake zones.

Many users are retired or disabled and need safe access to docks, either public or private. The Americans with Disabilities Act requires that, yet the Corp doesn't seem to have to honor this law. Every shoreline access point, whether beach, dock, (either public or private) or ramp, should be safely accessed by wheelchair. That means to me that steep rock strewn pathways are not acceptable. I have witnessed retirees slip and fall on the access paths due to loose stone surfaces. Wheelchaired and handicapped users are denied safe access. Unacceptable.

The Corp wants to eliminate conventional power sources to private docks. Apparently Marinas and resorts are held to different standards. Solar power is a thief's dream. Poorly lit docks with large numbers of easily sold batteries available all over the lake are not in the public's best interest. What happens when batteries freeze in winter and all of the acid enters the lake? Good lighting on the docks and public parking areas is essential to safety on the lake.

No-wake bouys are necessary to maintain a safe recreation area around private docks for swimming and water play. Signs don't keep boats away from the private dock adequately. It is a safety issue. Why do the Marinas have several bouys out several hundred feet from their docks? Because that is the only way to slow down many boaters.

The safety of our children and grandchildren is more important that the Corp's concerns. Safety for the lake using public is the most important issue here and in these three areas the Corp has it wrong, very wrong. Please voice your concern to the Corp about these safety issues.

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# Corps slates multiple shoreline update meeting Aug. 2 at RSHS

**By Dave Abner  
 Managing Editor**

Representatives from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers have scheduled three public workshops beginning later this month to unveil the preliminary version of the Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan (SMP) update.

The public is invited to attend the meetings:

- July 31, 4-7 p.m., Chateau on the Lake, Branson.
- Aug. 1, 4-7 p.m., Shell Knob Central Community United Methodist Church, Shell Knob.
- Aug. 2, 4-7 p.m., Reeds Spring High School, Reeds Spring.

During the drop-in workshops, Corps officials will be on hand to discuss the draft version of the plan and hear feed-

back from locals.

The draft version includes an environmental assessment which evaluates the potential impacts of each of the SMP alternatives. The environmental assessment will be available for review during the workshops and is also available online at <https://go.usa.gov/xN6Jr>.

According to the Corps, the Table Rock SMP “establishes policy for the protection and preservation of the desirable environmental characteristics of the shoreline while maintaining a balance between public and private shoreline use.”

The most recent update of Table Rock’s SMP came in 1996.

The same Website that includes the environmental assessment –

<https://go.usa.gov/xN6Jr> – also includes additional information regarding the update process, as well as comment cards.

Comments can also be mailed to: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Little Rock District, Programs and Project Management Division, ATTN: Table Rock SMP, Box 867, Little Rock, Ark.

In addition, comments can also be e-mailed to: [CESWL-TableRockShorelineManagementPlanUpdate@usace.army.mil](mailto:CESWL-TableRockShorelineManagementPlanUpdate@usace.army.mil).

The comment period ends Aug. 30.

The SMP update follows the update of the Table Rock Lake Master Plan that was completed in 2014. The master plan and accompanying environmental assessment are also available for review online at <https://go.usa.gov/xN6Jr>.



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## Local history, Part 2

This week: Wrapping up a piece of local history.

The Wilderness contained some of the finest white oak timber anywhere in the country. It was said a man might ride a horse through the forest easily and be able to see for some distance between the fine tree trunks, uncluttered with undergrowth. White oak was in great demand for railroad ties and tiehackers ravaged the fine old stand that had been the Wilderness. Delivery was along the old Wilderness Road to Reeds Spring, once the capital of the world. Wagons, with lynch pins holding the wheels on the axles, were used.

Finally the supply was exhausted and ties were no longer the main industry. It was discovered that tomatoes grow well in the Ozarks. Many canneries sprang up, one in Kimberling Hills near the lumber yard, taking water from a spring near Dead Man's Curve on Lakeshore Drive.

Tomatoes were called "Red Gold of the Ozarks." This too came to an end when government restrictions and a tight labor market made it unprofitable. The boom lasted some 20 years, until mid-World War II. A 1,500-acre cattle ranch covered much of the area for 10 years.

After 1943, comparative quiet reigned for a time in what was to be Kimberling City. The

Turner family lived in their old homestead, the Kimberlings across the bridge in the old Kimberling home. The Radical Post Office came and went. The Nickersons lived on their nine acres at the junction of James River Road and Highway 13, and watched the Nickerson Cemetery grow. The little log cabin on Kimberling Hills Golf Course, built before the turn of the century and occupied by tiehackers, hunters, trappers, and others seeking a temporary home, is one of the few original buildings.

The Army Corps of Engineers had for some years been working on a plan to build a flood control dam across White River to form Table Rock Lake. This plan was finally realized and construction started after negotiations to purchase the land that would be under water were completed in 1956. A new bridge was built immediately over the original Kimberling Bridge, and approaches for Highway 13 were constructed. All the river bottom land became a part of the lake bed and only the unproductive ridges remained.

John Q. Hammons, a Springfield investor, saw the potentialities of the site where the city now stands and started Kimberling City in 1960. He registered "Kimberling City" in state records and it is Mr.

Hammons who is credited with choosing the city's name. He also erected the first building, Kimberling Inn Restaurant, and still owns substantial undeveloped land in the city. In 1960 he sold a large portion of his holdings to Hobart Jennings and Melvin Taylor, who called it Kimberling Hills. They set up their own water supply, built a system of roads and streets, and laid out electric and telephone service as they subdivided the area and sold home sites.

Layne Morrill purchased the shopping center from Hammons in 1968. Others bought land and opened businesses such as motels, boat sales and service, and recreational facilities. The area had become a famous tourist attraction.

Then, on June 26, 1973, Kimberling City was incorporated as a fourth class city and a mayor and four aldermen were elected. The present mayor is Bette Edgington.





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# TOTALLY DIFFERENT AT TECUMSEH Flood damage revealed at Tecumseh Park

As Norfolk Lake recedes after the historic April 29-30 flood, the damage done to the Corps of Engineers park at Tecumseh is becoming visible. Corps spokesperson Laurie Driver said the Corps is waiting for the water to recede further and must then wait until the ground dries out a little before they can get a crew in there to fully assess the damage and decide on repairs.



Photo courtesy Laurel Driscoll

# Aug 24- McCaskill to Take Closer Look at Shoreline Management Plan Springfield, MO (KOZL)

## McCaskill to Take Closer Look at Shoreline Management Plan

<http://www.ozarksfirst.com/news/mccaskill-to-take-closer-look-at-shoreline-management-plan/797204750>

BRANSON, Mo. - Among the many topics brought up during U.S. Senator's Claire McCaskill's public town hall meeting on Tuesday, a discussion on the Army Corps of Engineers Draft Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan was also had.

When brought to the senator's attention, McCaskill says she was unaware of this plan, but she would be contacting the Corps to better understand what they're proposing.

In the SMP, one of the items the Corps is proposing is for all dock owners to only use alternative power sources, such as solar energy, to power their docks. McCaskill was also asked her thoughts on this piece of the proposal.

In recent weeks the Corps has held several Open House events to allow public feedback on how the draft SMP could be improved. Over 700 members of the community have attended these events to verbally share their thoughts or have their questions answered.

In an effort to gather additional comments on the Draft Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan, the Army Corps of Engineers has extended the public comment period an additional two weeks to Saturday, September 15th.

Share your comments with the Corps [here](#).

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# REALTORS SOUND ALARM

## *Opinion: Table Rock Lake property values and access*

By Deana Wolf

Tri-Lakes Board of Realtors president

Members of the Tri-Lakes Board of Realtors, Inc. and other coalition members are sounding the alarm on a proposed plan by the Army Corps of Engineers that they say will “cost local residents millions of dollars, potentially devastate property values and seriously limit your Table Rock Lake experience.”

Deana Wolfe, 2017 President, says, “The Corps of engineers has only given residents until Aug. 30 to comment on its proposed Shoreline Management Plan for Table Rock Lake. We are urging people to read the plan and put in writing their concerns to the Corps before the deadline.”

Deana Wolfe says the group is in agreement with the Corps’ own characterization made of the 2014 Master Plan for Table Rock Lake “that most people were content with the level of development around the lake ... (and that the Corps) was charged with maintaining the current facilities and recreational opportunities at the lake.” Wolfe said, “The shoreline management plan is supposed to put into action findings of the master plan, yet the proposed plan clearly fails in that mission.”

The SaveTableRock.com coalition led by the Tri-Lakes Board of Realtors, Inc. notes they have successfully worked for decades with the Corps and local residents to be “great stewards providing balanced management of Table Rock, protecting it as a natural resource, and allowing responsible public

use and development.” They say that the partnership has resulted in the Corps’ existing shoreline management program which has worked, and is working. They say there is “no need to fix what is not broken,” and urge the Corps to keep the existing shoreline plan and to reject the proposed plan.

The complete plan can be read on the Little Rock Corps of Engineers website or at SaveTableRock.com. The local coalition highlighted concerns with the plan and noted where the provision is located in the Corps’ proposed plan.

It would require what they estimate at over \$10 million dollars in cost to local slip owners to remove power lines from all existing docks and convert them to solar or wind power. {Page 9, lines 8-10}

It creates even more restrictive rules on vegetative management permits and makes some nontransferable, even to family members. {Page 29, lines 19-20}

It Places arbitrary limits on how often docks may be modified. (Page 9, Lines 1-2)

It outlaws such items as fishing equipment, tubes, wake boards, skies, etc. from being stored in private and community docks. {Page 13, Lines 15-17}

It outlaws all boats with porta-potties or holding tanks on private or community docks. {Page 15, lines 22-24}

It outlaws “No Wake Buoys” and mandates their removal from in front of all



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private and community docks. (Page 9, Lines 19-21)

It outlaws driving or parking golf carts, ATVs, etc. anywhere on Corps managed property which includes in front of private or community docks. (Page 34, Lines 23-26)

It also establishes a new and arbitrary lake carrying capacity giving the Corps the ability to limit who uses the lake and when. (Pages 37 & 38)

Wolfe said, "The Corps has listened to the people's reasoned comments in the past. We have every confidence they will listen now. It is how the existing shoreline management plan was crafted and why it is working so well that the Corps' own three year old master plan for the lake concludes "that

most people were content with development around the lake and that "current facilities and recreational opportunities" should be maintained on and around Table Rock Lake."

Wolfe added, "We want to work with the Corps to keep the existing plan working for all us. It is plenty restrictive on the number of docks, preserves over 85% of the shoreline from disturbance and ensures our lake will never grow out-of-control."

The deadline for comments is Aug. 30, 2017. Comments can be emailed from SaveTableRock.com, emailed directly to the Corps, or mailed to the Corps' Little Rock office if postmarked on the 30th of this month or before.



## **Aug 27- Letter campaign gains steam opposing Table Rock Lake changes Springfield, MO (Springfield News Leader)**

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<http://www.news-leader.com/story/news/local/ozarks/2017/08/27/letter-campaign-gains-steam-opposing-table-rock-lake-changes/589724001/>

Realtors in Branson have launched a letter campaign in hopes of thwarting some significant proposed changes in how Table Rock Lake would be managed in the future by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

The Corps this week extended its public comment period until Sept. 15, after getting a flood of comments about proposed changes to the draft Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan.

Among the most controversial proposals: Limiting how many boats can be on the lake at one time, and requiring private dock owners to replace shoreline electric hookups with solar panels or other renewable energy sources.

The Corps also wants to eliminate floating "No Wake" buoys, and replace them with "No Wake" signs on private floating docks.

"We think these proposals are infringements on personal property ownership rights," said Deana Wolfe, president of the Tri-Lakes Board of Realtors, which is spearheading the campaign. "Some of these people have spent their life savings on homes by the lake. By putting some restrictions on how the lake can be used, it will reduce their property values."

A key concern, Wolfe said, is the Corps' plan to establish a lake boating capacity, which could prevent boaters from using public launch areas if the Corps believes there are too many boats already on the lake that day.

"It's already happening in Arizona," Wolfe said. "It's not unusual for someone to go to an Arizona Corps lake, pull up to the public launch, and then you have to wait until someone comes off the lake before you can launch."

Tri-Lakes Board of Realtors wants the Corps to leave the shoreline management plan as is, with no changes.

"The lake works wonderfully now," Wolfe said. "Property values are coming back up and our economy is coming back. I do believe the Corps will work with us. We have had a great response (with the letter campaign) already."

Wolfe said nearly 800 people have turned in the Ti-Lakes Board's form letter opposing six items included in the proposed shoreline management plan.

Dana Coburn, Corps project manager for the proposed management plan, said the Corps is reviewing hundreds of comments it received from the public, both from letters and during several public meetings.

She said a key theme in many of those comments is that people don't want Table Rock Lake to become like Lake of the Ozarks, where the shoreline is ringed with docks and boat congestion has become worse as the lake becomes more popular. Lake of the Ozarks is not a Corps-managed lake.

"The carrying capacity of the lake is a part of that," Coburn said, referring to a potential limit on the number of boats on the lake at one time.

As of May 2017, Coburn said Table Rock Lake had 20,585 "access opportunities," a number that includes parking availability at boat launch areas, the number of boats at private and commercial docks, and boats in storage on shore.

The shoreline management plan could start limiting boat access to the lake when those "access opportunities" reach 30,866, Coburn said.

"We feel that at that point Table Rock Lake is no longer safe, enjoyable and no longer the recreation place that they (lake users) like," she said. "Once we get there, this is where you've told us you don't want another Lake of the Ozarks."

Coburn said the Corps estimates it could take 60 years for the lake to reach that 30,866 access opportunity mark. But if the economy continues to grow and people are able to buy lake homes and more and bigger boats, that 60-year time frame could shrink.

The number of Corps-permitted boat slips at Table Rock Lake has steadily increased. According to Corps data, there were 12,165 slips in 2009. Today there are 13,241 private boat slips on the lake.

Corps spokeswoman Laurie Driver said one aspect of the proposed plan either has been overlooked or hasn't drawn any controversy. The current shoreline management plan requires private docks to have no fewer than 12 slips and no more than 20.

"The new proposal changes that range to one slip up to a maximum of 20," Driver said. "That allows property owners in a small cove to put a dock in with as little as one slip."

Another major concern among private dock owners is the Corps' proposal to require solar power or other alternative energy sources to power docks, instead of a standard electric power line.

Wolfe, the Tri-Lakes Board of Realtors president, said "that is a big deal" for private dock owners.

"If this takes place, the amount of money that private boat dock owners on the lake would spend is \$10 million to upgrade to solar," she said. "For new docks to have solar, we're fine with that. But requiring existing docks to go solar is too much of a burden."

Coburn, the Corps project manager, said dock owners would have 10 years to comply under the proposed shoreline management plan. The Corps has required solar power or alternative power connections on new docks since 2013.

Coburn acknowledged the Corps received a lot of feedback about the solar power requirement. The Corps is exploring additional alternatives.

"We heard about the concerns of removing existing power lines to docks, and recognize that a one-size-fits-all approach is probably not the best solution, so we are asking you for detailed feedback to help us determine what right could look like," Coburn said. "Maybe replacement of the electrical line with solar could be when an electric line needs to be replaced or doesn't pass inspection."

Boat owners who keep vessels in slips on the water have worried about wake damage from passing boats for years. Many private docks have floating "No Wake" buoys set in the water in hopes of slowing down passing boats.

The proposed shoreline management plan would eliminate those floating buoys and instead have dock owners attach "No Wake" signs on their docks. Some dock owners don't think those signs will do enough to slow down passing boats and could result in property damage from their wakes.

Coburn said "No Wake" buoys that aren't properly maintained can float away and become a maintenance issue for the Corps to deal with. She notes that Missouri already has a law on the books that requires boaters to slow down if they pass close to a dock or face a fine.

The Corps doesn't issue "No Wake" buoy permits. That's the role of the Missouri State Highway Patrol's Water Patrol division. Based on the public's response so far, Coburn said she would like to talk to Highway Patrol officials about the "No Wake" buoy issue.

Tri-Lakes Board of Realtors also voiced concerns about more restrictive changes to the way landowners living next to the lake can trim brush and trees.

Among other concerns the board also objects to a proposal limiting requests to modify docks to once every five years.

"The Corps has done a phenomenal job with the lake," notes board president Wolfe. "We just don't understand why they want to require all these new restrictions. It's worked so well so far. Why change it?"

According to the Corps, the shoreline management plan for Table Rock Lake establishes policy for the protection and preservation of the desirable environmental characteristics of the shoreline, while maintaining a balance between public and private shoreline use.

It has been 21 years since the shoreline management plan was updated.

U.S Rep. Billy Long, who previously worked to delay the Corps' implementation of the shoreline management plan, said he was glad the Corps was listening to lake users.

"We have been working with constituents and the Corps to make sure all concerns are taken into consideration," Long said Thursday in an email. "I'm very pleased the comment period has been extended."

For more information about the shoreline management plan update process and on how to submit comments, visit the Corps website: <http://go.usa.gov/xN6Jr>.



## **Aug 25- McCaskill visits Branson: Town hall visit brings focus on national, local issues (Branson Tri Lake News)**

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Missouri's senior senator delivered a message of cooperation during her visit to Branson this week.

Addressing a crowded room of constituents at a town hall meeting at White River Valley Electric Cooperative, U.S. Sen. Clair McCaskill said a bipartisan effort is needed to move forward in the U.S. Congress.

Telling the story of how she passed the Arla Harrell Act, which provides aid to veterans intentionally exposed to mustard gas during World War II, McCaskill said it took senators from both the Democrat and Republican parties to send the bill to the president's desk.

"That's how it's supposed to work," McCaskill, who is a Democrat, said. "We're supposed to talk to each other and find common ground and do things that matter."

McCaskill's visit comes amid a series of town hall stops across Missouri while Congress is on August break. The senator made three stops in southwest Missouri, hosting town halls in Ozark and Monett, in addition to her Branson visit.

Fielding questions on a variety of topics at the national level, many questions centered around healthcare. When asked about her thoughts on universal healthcare, McCaskill cited rising debt as the reason she doesn't support a single-payer system.

"I don't think we can afford single-payer for everybody, Medicare for all right now," McCaskill said. "Our debt in this country is going to swallow us whole if we don't pay attention to it."

When asked about the Affordable Care Act, McCaskill said she was hopeful both parties would be able to come together to find solutions after Republican-led efforts to repeal the bill failed.

"We have an opportunity on a bipartisan basis to fix some things about the health insurance program we have in this country," she said. "Hopefully get beyond calling it

Obamacare or Trumpcare, and have it be about you guys and not about winning elections.”

When asked what her supporters can do to help move “a more progressive agenda” with a Republican-controlled legislature, McCaskill said the most important things were voting in elections and reaching across the aisle.

“We’ve all kind of retreated to our own bubbles after the election,” she said. “Even in my own family, ‘I’m unliking them on Facebook’ or ‘I’m unfollowing them because they voted for Trump,’ and vice-versa. I don’t think that helps; there’s a lot of stuff we agree on. We both want good schools, we want good roads and bridges, we want affordable healthcare. We might disagree on the best way to get there, but if you start with people who disagree with you on their selection for president and don’t make them feel bad about their choice ... don’t dwell on the stuff we disagree with and talk about the things we do agree on. Slowly and surely if you do that, we’re gonna move people back to the middle. I want a crowd in the middle, our country does its best work in the middle.”

McCaskill was also asked to weigh in on local issues, including proposed changes to the Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan. After claiming she had not heard of any issues surrounding the plan, McCaskill promised to look into the matter later before surveying the room to see if it was perceived as a widespread issue.

The question was met with applause and raised hands.

“I’m going to need to dig into this and find out if they’re going too far,” McCaskill said during a press conference following the town hall. “The federal government sometimes goes too far. I know they mean well, they want to preserve an important, beautiful lake and its shoreline, but there’s also a competing interest of people’s property rights and their rights to enjoy that property. The reason they bought property on the lake was to use the lake.

“I think it’s important we make sure common sense is in the house when these decisions get made. “I’m glad I came and learned about it, now I can go back to Washington, dig into it and figure out if I can’t get to the bottom of it and find some relief for the property owners.”

McCaskill also weighed in on recent efforts in Missouri to monitor prescription drugs and opioids.

In July, Missouri Gov. Eric Greitens directed the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services to begin work creating a prescription drug monitoring program. McCaskill said Greitens’ program falls short by not allowing pharmacists or doctors to access the data.

“So until they take that step it’s not really a prescription drug monitoring program,” she said.

McCaskill praised the efforts of communities at the county level coming together to create local programs. The Substance Abuse Initiative is looking to increase awareness of substance abuse in Taney and Stone counties.

## **Aug 25- Shoreline plan: Corps extends comment period Branson, MO (Branson Tri Lake News)**

Shoreline plan: Corps extends comment period

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Citizens may continue to address concerns about the Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan with an extended comment period.

Laurie Driver, a public information officer for the Army Corps of Engineers Little Rock District, said the Corps will now accept comments through Sept. 15.

“We still have a lot of interest from folks, and we want to get as much input as we possibly can,” Driver said.

Many comments have consisted of the public telling the Corps what they do not like about the plan, Driver said, and that is another reason the comment period is extended.

“Don’t just tell us you don’t like it,” she said. “Tell us how we can improve it.”

Driver said the Corps is waiting for the extended comment period to end before it begins the revision process of the shoreline management plan draft.

The Corps is looking for comments from everyone, Driver said.

“We want to hear from all aspects of people, not just folks who aren’t happy with what we are proposing,” she said.

Comments can be filled out online at [go.usa.gov/xN92J](http://go.usa.gov/xN92J), or emailed to [CESWL-tablerockshoreslinemanagementplanupdate@usace.army.mil](mailto:CESWL-tablerockshoreslinemanagementplanupdate@usace.army.mil), according to a Corps press release. Comments may also be mailed to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Little Rock District, Programs and Project Management Division, ATTN: Table Rock SMP, P.O. Box 867, Little Rock, AR 72203-0867.



## **Aug 25- Shoreline plan focus of August luncheon Branson, MO (Branson Tri Lake News)**

**Shoreline plan focus of August luncheon**

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Guests at the August luncheon for the Hollister Area Chamber of Commerce will receive an update on the Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan.

Dana Coburn, project manager with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, will be the presenting speaker at the luncheon, giving a speech titled "How the Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Program Plan Impacts You." The luncheon is at The Keeter Center at College of the Ozarks and will run from 11:30 a.m. through 1 p.m.

Previously, the Corps held a series of workshops allowing residents to voice their concerns with the plan. Laurie Driver, a public information officer for the Army Corps of Engineers Little Rock District, told the Branson Tri-Lakes News earlier in August the Corps will re-examine residents' issues with the plan in hopes of finding a middle ground.

"We will relook at those issues and see if we can find a middle ground," Driver said. "Those concerns specifically jumped out at us when reviewing the comments we have so far. Other concerns that people have will have to be reviewed as well."

The deadline for public comment on the plan has also been extended, with a new end date of Friday, Sept. 15. Comments can be mailed to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Little Rock District, Programs and Project Management Division, ATTN: Table Rock SMP, P.O. Box 867, Little Rock, AR., 72203-0867, or comments can be emailed to [CESWL-TableRockShorelineManagmentPlanUpdate@usace.army.mil](mailto:CESWL-TableRockShorelineManagmentPlanUpdate@usace.army.mil).

An online comment card, draft documents and more information are available at [go.usa.gov/xN92J](http://go.usa.gov/xN92J).

Luncheon seats are limited, to learn more and register, visit [hollisterchamber.net/august-2017-luncheon](http://hollisterchamber.net/august-2017-luncheon), or call 417-334-3050.

The Branson Tri-Lakes News is the presenting sponsor of the luncheon with Ozarks Water Watch sponsoring the dessert.

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## Corps Announces Workshops for Table Rock Lake's Shoreline Management Plan Revision

BRANSON, Mo. — The Army Corps of Engineers, Little Rock District will hold three workshops July 31 through Aug. 2 in Branson, Shell Knob and Reeds Spring, Mo. to discuss and seek input on the draft Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan. All interested persons are invited.

The drop-in workshops will be held from 4 p.m. until 7 p.m. Monday, July 31 at the Chateau on the Lake in Branson, Mo., Tuesday, Aug. 1 at the Shell Knob Central Community United Methodist Church in Shell Knob, Mo., and Wednesday, Aug. 2 at the Reeds Spring High School in Reeds Spring, Mo.

A draft Environmental Assessment, which evaluates the potential impacts of each SMP alternatives, will also be available for review. The draft documents are available online at: <https://go.usa.gov/xN6Jr>.

During the public workshops, representatives from the Corps will present an overview of the draft plan, answer questions and gather comments from the public.

The shoreline management plan

for Table Rock Lake establishes policy for the protection and preservation of the desirable environmental characteristics of the shoreline while maintaining a balance between public and private shoreline use. The last SMP update was completed in 1996.

For more information about the shoreline management plan update process visit the following website: <https://go.usa.gov/xN6Jr>.

Comments can be mailed to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Little Rock District, Programs and Project Management Division, ATTN: Table Rock SMP, P.O. Box 867, Little Rock, AR 72203-0867 or e-mailed to CESWL-

TableRockShorelineManagementPlanUpdate@usace.army.mil. An online fillable comment card is available at <https://go.usa.gov/xN6Jr>.

Comments may also be provided during the public review and comment period which ends Aug. 30.

To review the 2014 Table Rock Master Plan and Environmental Assessment that describes several alternatives and potential impacts, visit: <https://go.usa.gov/xN6Jr>.

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# Comments sought on final draft of Table Rock SMP

*(Editor's note: Last week's edition of the Stone County Gazette included a story about a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers announcement regarding public meetings scheduled to garner input from locals on the Corps proposal to update the Table Rock Lake shoreline management plan (SMP).*

*The item below was written by David Casaletto, executive director of Ozarks Water Watch. Casaletto writes a column that is routinely included in the OWW newsletter, which means it includes not only facts but in some cases offers Casaletto's opinion on a host of water-related issues.*

*The item below does in part offer Casaletto's opinion, but it also includes news previously not widely distributed, including a Corps plan connected with the SMP update that would require that private docks on the lake be converted from electricity to solar power within the next 10 years.)*

**By David Casaletto**  
The U.S. Army Corps

of Engineers has released what is probably the final version of the Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan (SMP), unless comments from the public convince the Corps to make additional changes.

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grass can be removed from the shoreline. All vegetation modification requires a permit and there are distances from your home and size of trees and brush that can legally be removed detailed in the plan.

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TABLE ROCK LAKE, Mo. Folks who enjoy time on Table Rock Lake are running out of time to let their voices be heard on how the lake is managed for years to come.

The proposed Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management plan has a lot of people talking in the lake area, so much so that the Corps of Engineers has actually extended the public comment period.

Many people living on Table Rock Lake, like Bob Gipson, have concerns with how the Corps of Engineers wants to manage the shoreline. "The whole plan, in my opinion, needs to be revamped. There's not enough input by the public," says Gipson.

The Corps extended the public comment period deadline from the end of August to September 15th to allow for more input from the public.

Deana Wolfe, Tri-Lakes Board of Realtors president, says "We've come forward in saying, these are the things we'd like for you all to look at, and then let the public come up with their own opinions and their own comments."

The Tri-Lakes Board of Realtors is spreading the word via a radio ad and a website, [savetablerock.com](http://savetablerock.com). Wolfe says, "We believe that protecting private property ownership rights and our public is our job."

They object to a proposed carrying capacity, limiting the number of boats and slips on the lake, and fear people could be turned away here, like in other parts of the country.

"We've had reports that a family would drive in and have their family all ready for a beautiful day at the lake and be in a line, where as boaters came off, boaters were able to enter," says Wolfe.

Many are also concerned about the proposal that all docks run on renewable energy in ten years. Gipson says, "If the Corps of Engineers takes the money that's in the bank and wants to help people fix their docks, so be it. But as a homeowner, everything's fine right here. Everything's safe; I ensure that it's safe."

There are also proposed changes to vegetation rules, that would further restrict what brush can be removed. "If there's an emergency, I need a route for the emergency trucks to get down here," Gipson says.

"If the public does not voice concerns, then of course everybody thinks everything's great," says Wolfe.

If you'd still like to let the Corps of Engineers know your thoughts on the shoreline management plan, visit the link attached to this story to view the plan and find the comment form.

The Corps of Engineers says, "Once the comment period ends, the comments will all be consolidated into a report, with the help of a contractor, which the Corps' team will review the report and see if middle ground can be found on any controversial area of the proposed plan."

The Corps is seeking comments and ideas on how to improve the draft shoreline management plan, but also asking for comments on what you like about proposed plan/



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Representatives from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers say they take public input seriously as they prepare the pending update to the Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan (SMP) update.

Corps officials were on hand at the Reeds Spring High School auxiliary gymnasium last Wednesday for a public meeting to consider the SMP update.

Dana Coburn, Corps project manager for the update, said the unveiling of the draft version during three recent area meetings, including the RSHS gathering, represents a Corps attempt to include input from locals.

Coburn said, "We wanted to hear from the

people. We had to start somewhere."

Based on remarks offered by some of the dozens of locals who turned out last week at RSHS, Corps representatives are getting plenty of the feedback they say they want.

Two of the most contentious proposals to date in the draft version, according to Coburn:

- There's a proposal in place to require dock owners to convert from electrical power to alternative power, such as solar energy, by 2027.

Randy Hathaway, Corps deputy district engineer, said the 2027 deadline will most likely be delayed. He said 2027 represents a 10-year peri-

od from the present and suggested that the deadline will likely get pushed to 10 years past the point when the update takes effect.

- Another proposal causing heartburn for some locals, according to Coburn – no-wake buoys for private docks will be prohibited. Existing no-wake buoys for private docks must be removed by the end of 2020 under the terms of the draft version.

Coburn said, "We're having a lot of problems with these buoys. They're not maintained."

Local resident Michael Heine from the Point 10 area said, "My kids and grandkids swim. I don't want to see" the

buoys prohibited.

Other issues of possible interest from the draft version:

- The shoreline management plan will be reviewed at least once every five years.

- No new permits will be issued for stand-alone swim docks or mooring buoys.

- The maximum slip ownership on Table Rock is two slips per household. Ownership of more than two slips can be cause for termination of the permit and removal of the dock.

- Private dock owners may not remove vegetation or trees without approval or install buoys to restrict speed of passing boats.

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- Only one request per dock, for any modification, will be considered in the five-year permit period.

- A recorded dedicated easement for access and parking on private property for slip owners must be provided when placing a new community dock, adding a slip to a dock or relocating an existing community dock.

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- Approved vegetation modification requests within a shoreline allocation, which normally would not allow vegetation modification should be grandfathered; however, these grandfathered permits will not be transferrable to a new landowner.

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unless it is impeding a permitted or outgranted path or road.

- New ski course permits will not be issued on Table Rock.

- Carrying capacity: Studies suggest that the maximum boat density for safe boat operation is 10 usable surface acres of water per vessel.

- Jim Friedman of Kimberling City questioned some of the Corps language. He said, "They're talking about giving everybody new permits for new docks. It will be just like Lake of the Ozarks."

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In the press release, Blunt said, "It's outrageous that the Corps would move forward with the current plan without sufficient input from the Missouri families and businesses who live, work, and vacation at Table Rock Lake.

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Blunt and U.S. Rep. Billy Long required the Corps to extend the comment period and time frame for the management plan draft revision in the Water and Resource Development Act, according to the press release.

Laurie Driver, a public relations officer for the Corps Little Rock District, sent a statement from the Corps via email:

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To read the letter Blunt sent to the Corps, visit [www.blunt.senate.gov/public/cache/files/209701a9-b8b1-4225-8419-882b03182c3b/9-18-17-table-rock-lake-smp.pdf](http://www.blunt.senate.gov/public/cache/files/209701a9-b8b1-4225-8419-882b03182c3b/9-18-17-table-rock-lake-smp.pdf).

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Dana Coburn, project manager with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, will be the presenting speaker at the luncheon, giving a speech titled "How the Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Program Plan Impacts You." The luncheon is at The Keeter

Center at College of the Ozarks and will run from 11:30 a.m. through 1 p.m.

Previously, the Corps held a series of workshops allowing residents to voice their concerns with the plan. Laurie Driver, a public information officer for the Army Corps of Engineers Little Rock District, told the Branson Tri-Lakes News earlier in August the Corps will re-examine residents' issues with the plan in hopes of finding a middle ground.

"We will relook at those issues and see if we can find a middle ground," Driver said. "Those concerns specifically jumped out at

us when reviewing the comments we have so far. Other concerns that people have will have to be reviewed as well."

The deadline for public comment on the plan has also been extended, with a new end date of Friday, Sept. 15. Comments can be mailed to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Little Rock District, Programs and Project Management Division, ATTN: Table Rock SMP, P.O. Box 867, Little Rock, AR.,

72203-0867, or comments can be emailed to CESWL-TableRockShorelineManagement-PlanUpdate@usace.army.mil.

An online comment card, draft documents and more information are available at go.usa.gov/xN92J.

Luncheon seats are limited, to learn more and register, visit [hollisterchamber.net/august-2017-luncheon](http://hollisterchamber.net/august-2017-luncheon), or call 417-334-3050.

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## **Corps Extends Public Comment Period for Table Rock Shoreline Management Plan Update**

BRANSON, Mo. - The Army Corps of Engineers is extending the public comment period until Sept. 15 for Draft Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan, Draft Environmental Assessment, Draft Finding of No Significant Impact, and 2014 Table Rock Lake Master Plan.

"Our goal is to hear from people about ideas that help sustain the future of the lake for many years to come," said Dana Coburn, project manager for the Table Rock Lake SMP update.

The shoreline management plan for Table Rock Lake establishes policy for the protection and preservation of the desirable environmental characteristics of the shoreline while maintaining a balance between public and private shoreline use.

The last SMP update was completed in 1996.

"We recently held open houses to allow for feedback from the public on how we can improve the draft SMP and associated documents," said Coburn. "More than 700 attended these events and some people still have questions about what we are proposing in the draft SMP update. By extending the comment period we hope everyone will have a chance to read the draft and provide suggestions on how to improve the final product. With that goal we have extended the public comment period deadline until Sept. 15."

For more information about the shoreline management plan update process and to information on how to submit comments visit the following website: <http://go.usa.gov/xN6Jr>.

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# McCaskill responds to questions, talks healthcare

By Jann Clark  
Staff Writer

More than 150 people attended U.S. Sen. Claire McCaskill's town hall meeting at White River Valley Electric Cooperative Bldg. Tuesday where the senator took questions on topics ranging from veterans affairs to healthcare to issues on Table Rock Lake - and Black Lives Matter.

McCaskill came out to a loud round of applause and a standing-room only crowd. She talked about some of her latest legislative accomplishments on prescription drugs, sex trafficking and one of the senator's passions - the health and welfare of America's veterans.

Before each town hall, people fill out questionnaires which are placed in a basket and the person who holds up their hand and says they won't ever vote for her gets to hold the basket and ask the last question.

She said sometimes the town halls go well but sometimes she gets 'chewed up' or criticized for what they think she's doing wrong. McCaskill said the town hall in Branson was the 34th town hall she's conducted this year.

McCaskill said the town hall events 'ground her' and while she's there she tries to answer as many questions as possible. The senator said work is being accomplished in a bi-partisan way in Washington D.C. even

though 'it feels like everyone has lost their minds.'

"We are reaching across the isles to get things done," she said. "Many of us are putting our heads down and doing real work."

McCaskill said they're working on a bi-partisan bill which would 'blow out' the regulations on hearing aids in order to make them more accessible and affordable. She said within a year people should be able to get a pair of hearing aids over-the-counter for about \$350 versus \$6,000.

The senator said she's not in favor of 'single-payer' healthcare because it would drive the costs of Medicare through the roof and the country can't afford it. McCaskill said Medicare is already breaking the national budget.

"The debt is going to swallow us whole," McCaskill said. "The No. 1 cost is Medicare. If we expand it, it will blow up the budget."

She said fixing the Affordable Care Act (Obamacare) isn't easy. She said that's why Republicans haven't done it even though they've been getting elected to office on the promise. She said the Democrats made mistakes too by passing the act without bi-partisanship.

McCaskill said she buys her insurance on the exchange and her premiums went from \$450 per

month to \$710 per month so she knows something has to be done. She said no one wants the government to tell them what to do but having health insurance is a responsibility.

She said people who go to the hospital without health insurance and then receive a diagnosis of cancer causes everyone else to pay for it because they don't have insurance. She said on the flip side of that it's almost impossible to find out what it costs to have knee surgery.

"You can't figure out what you're paying for," the senator said.

The 64-year-old Democratic senator said she's taking on 'big pharma' and that there will be a barrage of ads against her in the next election because of it. She said the pharmaceutical companies need to be 'brought to heel.'

She said Medicare is overpaying for services and that one of her staff's mother had received three scooters via Medicare. McCaskill said it has to stop. She also said it's important to get past the 'blame game' when it comes to healthcare.

On guns, McCaskill said her father was a hunter and that her mother kept cans of 'cream of mushroom' soup in the cabinets so she would have it on-hand to cook with all the game her father

killed. She said he said it was rabbit - but she wasn't

so sure it was.

McCaskill said she has a problem with people who are on the 'no fly zone' list for boarding airplanes but those same people/terrorists can get any gun they want. She said she wants a 'no fly list, no buy list.'

The senator said she has 'no desire to take away people's guns.'

One of the questions submitted asked about President Donald Trump's tweeting. McCaskill said she's not in favor of monitoring Trump's tweets even if she doesn't like what he has to say or the way he says it sometimes.

"He has the right to say what he wants to say," the senator said.

The question of the unrest in Charlottesville, Va. was raised. McCaskill said Trump missed an opportunity to bring people together and now people 'are more divided than ever.' She said she 'yearns for a president who brings us together.'

The issue of what kids eat for lunch in schools was addressed and McCaskill said the costs of adult obesity is causing the cost of healthcare to sky rocket and that the U.S. has a higher rate of diabetes than another other country.

She said the country's national debt would go down by 10 percent if diabetes was under control. She said she knows that



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sometimes the kids don't want to eat what the schools are serving but kids need to understand that a Mountain Dew and nachos - aren't a meal.

On a progressive agen-

da, McCaskill said people should talk to people who disagree with them. She said it doesn't help that people are unfriending family and friends on Facebook because they voted for Trump or voted for her - the

senator didn't mention 'her' name - Hillary Clinton.

The question of nepotism in government was also a topic. McCaskill said she'd been invited to the  
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White House and had held discussions with Jarod Kushner and Ivanka Trump, Kushner on IT reform and with Ivanka Trump on the issue of paid leave.

She said Kushner and his wife Ivanka Trump don't take a salary for their work. McCaskill said some people have a problem with it and some don't. She said during John F. Kennedy's presidency, his brother Bobby Kennedy, served as attorney general - so that door swings both ways.

People in the local area are concerned about the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers draft of the Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan and asked McCaskill if she thought it was okay for the government to be forcing people to switch from electricity to solar energy on their boat docks.

McCaskill said she wasn't aware of it. She said she'd be surprised if the enforcement of solar panels on a dock would happen because people were voicing their oppo-

sition to it. She said 'that would be a reach as far as I'm concerned.'

She said she's not against solar but solar needs to take its place in the marketplace. She also said there are docks all across Missouri with electric and there haven't been too many incidents. The issue of flooding in Forsyth was also discussed.

McCaskill said she would speak with the Corps about the issues and get back to the people about it. The issue of schools not receiving property tax dollars because of the federal lands within their districts was also a topic.

She said they're working - in a bipartisan way - on the Secure Rural Schools Act to help rural schools with those financial issues. She questioned Education Secretary Betsy DeVose and her stance on private schools and their funding when most of the voters who supported Trump live in rural areas where private schools aren't assessable.

The senator discussed the debt ceiling, the high cost of dental care, the federal gas tax, infrastructure and the recent unrest in the country.

One man questioned the senator on the Democrats approval of former

President Barak Obama's decision to invite members of the controversial group Black Lives Matter to the White House but then criticized President Trump's response to the recent violence on both sides in Charlottesville, Va.

The man said Trump hasn't invited David Duke or the Ku Klux Klan (KKK) to the White House. He asked McCaskill when the Democratic Party was going to denounce their support for Black Lives Matter and the group Antifa (antifascists).

McCaskill said everyone in the room during Tuesday's town hall meeting rejects Nazi's and that everyone in the room is against violent behavior. But she also said 'there are a lot of great folks' in the Black Lives Matter organization.

She said Black Lives Matter has received a 'lot of bad press on the right' and that the organization and the Antifa organization are small groups but then she challenged the man when he said the Neo-Nazi group in Charlottesville was about 300 or less.

McCaskill said people should come together. She said both sides were engaged in bad behavior. She said when she saw people without masks, march-



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ing with lit torches and carrying white supremacist signs she was shocked.

The senator said she was honored to be in Branson and that she had a new 'to-do list' with the Corps of Engineers. McCaskill was presented with a pink construction hat as a show of support for the senator's battle with breast cancer.

After the town hall meeting, the senator took some questions from the press. She was pressed on the issue of Black Lives Matter, on whether or not she would work with the president on

VA issues, there was a question about Bernie Sanders and his stance on health care, the Corps issue and about the president being a racist.

McCaskill said Bernie Sanders has the right to say what he wants and believe what he wants. She said she will follow-up with the Corps of Engineers on the Table Rock Lake dock issue.

She said, as a former prosecutor, she denounces the Black Lives Matter statement 'Pigs in a blanket, fry em'

like bacon' promoting the killing police officers.

However, the senator wouldn't concede that there were some people, not even one person, marching in Charlottesville protesting the removal of the Gen. Robert E. Lee statue – a confederate and a Democrat who fought on the side of slavery during the Civil War.

She said of Black Lives Matter, 'there are always a few bad apples.'

The senator said she could work with President Trump on infrastructure, the VA, the U.S. Military and the opioid epidemic which McCaskill said it sweeping the country. She said she's glad to see the VA and military are a priority for Trump.

She said Missouri's stance on opioids and the regulation of prescription drugs has 'put the welcome mat out for drug dealers.'

McCaskill challenged the question of whether or not it was good for the country to have its Democratic leader – Nancy Pelosi – call the sitting U.S. President a racist. McCaskill said she doesn't speak for Pelosi.

She also said she doesn't believe Pelosi called the president a racist.

Pelosi said in a statement about Trump's response to the violence in Charlottesville, "The president's repulsive defense of white supremacists demands that Congress act to defend our American values."

Pelosi made the comment during a press conference about censuring President Trump, a move Pelosi supports. The only other president to be censured in U.S. history was President Andrew Jackson in 1834.

Neo-Nazi and white supremacist groups support the ideology of the Nazi's, who murdered millions because of their Jewish faith during World War II. Trump's son-in-law, daughter and their three children - Trump's grandchildren - are Jewish.

McCaskill said she denounced and called for the resignation of Democratic state Sen. Maria Chappell-Nadal who said in a Facebook post, "I hope Trump is assassinated," McCaskill said she issued the statements within minutes of hearing the senator's remark.

McCaskill called Chappell-Nadal's remark 'outrageous.'



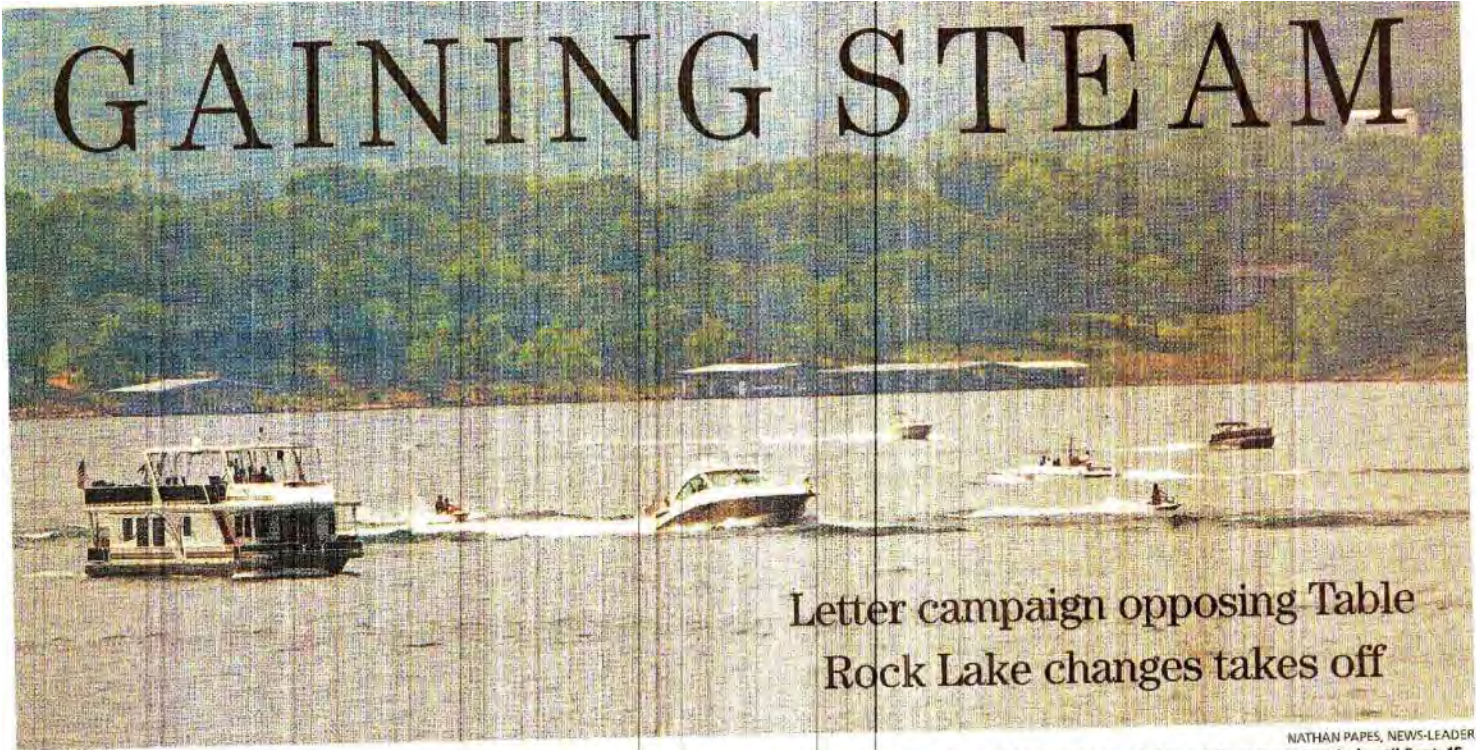
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White River Valley Electric Cooperative CEO **Chris Hamon**, right, and cooperative Board member **Bill Cook**, left, presented Democratic Sen. **Claire McCaskill** with a pink hard hat representing her battle to beat breast cancer.



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Letter campaign opposing Table Rock Lake changes takes off

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Boats and jet skis cruise along at Table Rock Lake during Memorial Day weekend on Saturday, May 24, 2014. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers extended its public comment period until Sept. 15, after getting a flood of comments about proposed changes to the draft Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan.

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Realtors in Branson have launched a letter campaign in hopes of thwarting some significant proposed changes in how Table Rock Lake would be managed in the future by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The Corps extended its public comment period until Sept. 15, after getting a flood of comments about proposed changes to the draft Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan. Among the most controversial proposals: Limiting how many boats can be on the lake at one time, and requiring private dock owners to replace shoreline electric hookups with solar

panels or other renewable energy sources. The Corps also wants to eliminate floating 'No Wake' buoys, and replace them with 'No Wake' signs on private floating docks. 'We think these proposals are infringements on personal property ownership rights,' said Deana Wolfe, president of the Tri-Lakes Board of Realtors, which is spearheading the campaign. 'Some of these people have spent their life savings on homes by the lake. By putting some restrictions on how the lake can be used, it will reduce their property values.' A key concern, Wolfe said, is the Corps' plan to establish a lake boating capacity, which could prevent boaters from us-

ing public launch areas if the Corps believes there are too many boats already on the lake. 'It's already happening in Arizona,' Wolfe said. 'It's not unusual for someone to go to an Arizona Corps lake, pull up to the public launch, and then you have to wait until someone comes off the lake before you can launch.' Tri-Lakes Board of Realtors wants the Corps to leave the shoreline management plan as is, with no changes. 'The lake works wonderfully now,' Wolfe said. 'Property values are coming back up and our economy is coming back. I do believe the Corps will work with us. We have had a great response (with the letter campaign) already.'

Wolfe said nearly 800 people have turned in the Tri-Lakes Board's form letter opposing six items included in the proposed shoreline management plan. Dana Coburn, Corps project manager for the proposed management plan, said the Corps is reviewing hundreds of comments it received from the public, both from letters and during several public meetings. She said a key theme in many of those comments is that people don't want Table Rock Lake to become like Lake of the Ozarks, where the shoreline is ringed with docks and boat congestion has become worse as the lake becomes more popular. Lake of the Ozarks is not a Corps-managed lake.

'The carrying capacity of the lake is a part of that,' Coburn said, referring to a potential limit on the number of boats on the lake at one time. As of May 2017, Coburn said Table Rock Lake had 20,585 'access opportunities,' a number that includes parking availability at boat launch areas, the number of boats at private and commercial docks, and boats in storage on shore. The shoreline management plan could start limiting boat access to the lake when those 'access opportunities' reach 30,866, Coburn said. 'We feel that at that point Table Rock Lake is no longer safe, enjoyable and no longer the See LETTERS, Page 2A

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recreation place that they (lake users) like," she said. "Once we get there, this is where you've told us you don't want another Lake of the Ozarks."

Coburn said the Corps estimates it could take 60 years for the lake to reach that 30,866 access opportunity mark. But if the economy continues to





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grow and people are able to buy lake homes and more boats, that time frame may shrink.

The number of Corps-permitted boat slips at Table Rock Lake has steadily increased. According to Corps data, there were 12,165 slips in 2009. Today there are 13,241 private boat slips on the lake.

Corps spokeswoman Laurie Driver said one aspect of the proposed plan either has been overlooked or hasn't drawn any controversy. The current plan requires private docks to have no fewer than 12 slips and no more than 20.

"The new proposal changes that range to one slip up to a maximum of 20," Driver said.

Another major concern among private dock owners is the proposal to require solar power or other alternative energy sources to power docks, instead of a standard power line.

Wolfe, the Tri-Lakes Board of Realtors president, said "that is a big deal" for private dock owners.

"If this takes place, the amount of money that private boat dock owners on the lake would spend is \$10 million to upgrade to solar," she said. "For new docks to have solar, we're fine with that. But requiring existing docks to do so-

ing existing docks to do so-lar is too much of a burden."

Coburn, the Corps project manager, said dock owners would have 10 years to comply under the proposed shoreline management plan. The Corps has required solar power or alternative power connections on new docks since 2013.

Coburn acknowledged the Corps received a lot of feedback about the solar power requirement. The Corps is exploring additional alternatives.

"We heard about the concerns of removing existing power lines to docks, and recognize that a one-size-fits-all approach is probably not the best solution, so we are asking you for detailed feedback to help us determine what right could look like," Coburn said. "Maybe replacement of the electrical line with solar could be when an electric line needs to be replaced or doesn't pass inspection."

Boat owners who keep vessels in slips on the water have worried about wake damage from passing boats for years. Many private docks have floating "No Wake" buoys set in the water in hopes of slowing down passing boats.

The proposed shoreline management plan would

eliminate those floating buoys and instead have dock owners attach "No Wake" signs on their docks. Some dock owners don't think those signs will do enough to slow down passing boats and could result in property damage from their wakes.

Coburn said "No Wake" buoys that aren't properly maintained can float away and become a maintenance issue for the Corps to deal with. She notes that Missouri already has a law on the books that requires boaters to slow down if they pass close to a dock or face a fine.

The Corps doesn't issue "No Wake" buoy permits. That's the role of the Missouri State Highway Patrol's Water Patrol division. Based on the public's response so far, Coburn said she would like to talk to Highway Patrol officials about the "No Wake" buoy issue.

Tri-Lakes Board of Realtors also voiced concerns about more restrictive changes to the way landowners living next to the lake can trim brush and trees.

Among other concerns the board also objects to a proposal limiting requests to modify docks to once every five years.

"The Corps has done a

phenomenal job with the lake," notes board president Wolfe. "We just don't understand why they want to require all these new restrictions. It's worked so well so far. Why change it?"

According to the Corps, the shoreline management plan for Table Rock Lake establishes policy for the protection and preservation of the desirable environmental characteristics of the shoreline, while maintaining a balance between public and private shoreline use.

It has been 21 years since the shoreline management plan was updated.

U.S. Rep. Billy Long, who previously worked to delay the Corps' implementation of the shoreline management plan, said he was glad the Corps was listening to lake users.

"We have been working with constituents and the Corps to make sure all concerns are taken into consideration," Long said Thursday in an email. "I'm very pleased the comment period has been extended."

For more information about the shoreline management plan update process and on how to submit comments, visit the Corps website: <http://go.usa.gov/xN6Jr>.

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## SENATOR WANTS CORPS TO SUSPEND LAKESHORE PLAN

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U.S. Sen. Roy Blunt sent a letter to the Army Corps of Engineers asking for a suspension of the Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan (SMP) draft revision.

Blunt sent the letter on Monday, Sept. 18, according to a press release on Blunt's website, which was three days after the public comment period for the management plan closed.

In the press release, Blunt said, "It's outrageous that the Corps would move forward with the current plan without sufficient input from the Missouri families and businesses who live, work, and vacation at Table Rock Lake.

"The plan imposes, with

little justification, excessive restrictions on the use of the lake. These restrictions will have a long-term, negative impact on the community and the lake economy. I urge the Corps to immediately suspend the SMP revision process and

work with the community to develop a new plan that protects families and businesses at Table Rock Lake."

Blunt and U.S. Rep. Billy Long required the Corps to extend the comment period and time frame for the management plan draft revision in the Water and Resource Development Act, according to the press release.

Laurie Driver, a public relations officer for the Corps Little Rock District, sent a statement from the Corps via email:

"The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is and has been open and transparent with the public while updating the Shoreline Management Plan (SMP) for Table Rock Lake. The Corps is doing everything we can to listen to and gather public opinion to include the recent public workshops and extended comment period on the initial draft SMP.

"We continue to review the hundreds of public comments received thus far. The Corps is in the process of setting up the advisory committee as described in the WIIN Act of 2016 and will not complete the SMP without coordination with the advisory committee. All public comments and the advisory committee's recommendations will be considered in the final SMP."

Driver also said in a phone

interview the Corps has received more than 3,000 comments, and it typically takes between three to six months to analyze the comments.

The advisory team, once it has been established, will begin analyzing the comments soon, Driver said. The comments will be sorted and organized, and then uploaded online to the Corps' website for the public to look at as well.

The comments and revision process are concerning the management plan draft, Driver said.

"It is not a finalized plan," Driver said.

To read the letter Blunt sent to the Corps, visit [www.blunt.senate.gov/public/\\_cache/files/209701a9-b8b1-4225-8419-882b03182c3b/9-18-17-table-rock-lake-smp.pdf](http://www.blunt.senate.gov/public/_cache/files/209701a9-b8b1-4225-8419-882b03182c3b/9-18-17-table-rock-lake-smp.pdf).

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# Keep those cards and letters comin'

## Realtor board wants locals to send comments to Corps

By Dave Abner  
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Realtors in the Table Rock Lake area are concerned that federal officials want to impose new restrictions that will significantly hamper lake use and enjoyment for property owners and visitors.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers oversees TRL operations and conducted a lengthy revision process on the lake master plan that was completed in 2014.

Now, the Corps is in the process of updating Table Rock Lake's shoreline management plan.

The two plans are designed to work in tandem to govern lake operations and uses. After months of preliminary work, the Corps held three recent area come-and-go meetings to unveil update proposals for locals. Following the meetings, the Corps announced it would continue to accept comments and suggestions regarding those preliminary proposals through the end of August.

But, after hundreds of locals deluged the Corps with feedback, the Corps recently announced it will extend the comment period until Sept. 15. Since the announcement, Corps officials have said they've heard a number of complaints about some of those proposals, and are

hoping to also hear suggested alternatives from lake users and from the people who live and work near the lake.

And members of Tri-Lakes Board of Realtors are hopeful all locals will take the Corps at its word and send comments to the Corps.

Sheila Thomas, executive director of the Table Rock Lake Area Chamber of Commerce, adds another suggestion.

Thomas thinks it's not enough to send a comment to the Corps; she suggested all locals also send copies of the Corps comments to U.S. Senators Roy Blunt and Claire McCaskill and to Missouri 7th District Congressman Billy Long.

That way, Thomas said, even if the Corps might lose or misplace comments, federal legislators can know specifically what comments the Corps is receiving.

So, what parts of the Corps preliminary draft seem to be causing the most heartburn for locals?

Dana Coburn, Corps project manager for the update, pointed out the three proposals she says are generating the greatest number of negative comments.

- The draft version said that all Table Rock docks must be converted

to alternative power (a source such as wind or solar) by 2027.

But with the update behind schedule, Corps officials recently said the conversion deadline will be pushed to 10 years from the time the update is implemented.

So, if the update takes longer than expected, and, if it were hypothetically implemented in 2019, then the conversion deadline would be pushed to 2029.

Using a cost estimate generated by Ozarks Water Watch executive director David Casaletto, the Tri-Lakes Realtor Board estimates that the cumulative cost for all Table Rock dock owners to convert to solar or some other power will be at least as much as \$10 million; a less conservative calculation claims the conversion might cumulatively cost as much as \$25 million.

- Many dock owners claim that a wake from a boat passing near the dock can cause damage; over time, the damage can be significant.

Some dock owners have in the past placed "No Wake" buoys in front of or near docks in hopes of slowing down passing boaters. The Corps is outlawing the buoys and suggests dock owners place "No Wake" signs on

docks.

The problem with buoys: the Corps says they become a maintenance nuisance for the Corps and adds that it's actually the Missouri State Highway Patrol's Marine Division rather than the Corps that is responsible to oversee buoys and enforce restrictions.

- One proposal catching flak is a lake carrying capacity. In short, it would establish a boat carrying capacity for the lake – about one boat per 10 square miles.

Tri-Lakes Board of Realtors president Deana Wolfe offered her short- and-sweet assessment of the carrying capacity proposal: "It's ridiculous," Wolfe said.

Ridiculous, maybe; unheard of, no. Wolfe said some lakes already require that boats wishing to enter the lake must wait at a launch ramp until another boat leaves the lake before being allowed to enter the lake.

Other concerns expressed by the realtor board:

- Vegetation management permits have become more restrictive. Some permits can't be transferred to family members.

- Limits permits for dock modifications to no more often than once





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every five years.

- It would no longer be permissible to store items such as fishing equipment, tubes, wake boards and chairs on a dock.

- All portable toilets and holding tanks would be outlawed on private or community docks; the same rule would not apply at marinas.

- Driving or parking golf carts or ATVs on Corps property – including in front of docks – would be outlawed.

Tri-Lakes Board of Realtors, Inc., and other locals have joined forces to create SaveTableRock.com and

a coalition to promote it.

The coalition asks that all locals go online to the site and complete a comment card that can be sent to the Corps.

Thomas seconded the

motion, noting that the feedback process is vital. She said, “You absolutely have to fill out the comment cards.”

Coburn agrees about the importance of the comment cards. She said locals can provide the Corps with valuable insights. For example,

many locals have complained about the power conversion mandate for existing docks.

Coburn said, “We heard about the concerns of removing existing power lines to docks, and recognize that a one-size-fits-all approach is probably not the best solution, so we are asking you for detailed feedback to help us determine what right could look like. Maybe replacement of the electrical line with solar could be when an electric line needs to be replaced or doesn’t pass inspection.”

Regarding no-wake buoys, Coburn posed a

question: “How might we ensure that a no-wake buoy is properly maintained and doesn’t exceed the 100-foot distance from private and community docks, provides the proper warning notification and meets the conditions of the permit?”

Finally, Wolfe and the other members of the realtor board think the current SMP works and add that the newer and more restrictive guidelines are a mistake.

She said, “If these things were implemented, we think this will stifle development.”

# Appendix C

## Workshop Materials

Fact Sheet  
Comment Card

# TABLE ROCK LAKE SHORELINE MANAGEMENT PLAN REVISION

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Little Rock District (Corps), is revising the Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan (SMP). The current Table Rock Lake Master Plan (MP) was revised in February 2014 through an extensive public involvement process. Based on the comments received during the SMP scoping workshops held in March 2015 and from a number of focus groups, the Corps has developed six 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, however, comments will be accepted and reviewed regarding the 2014 MP during this public comment period as well.



## ABOUT THE TABLE ROCK LAKE SHORELINE MANAGEMENT PLAN AND MASTER PLAN

The MP for Table Rock Lake establishes guidelines for how the resources of the lake will be managed and provides the vision for how the lake should look in the future. The MP does not address the details of how and where shoreline use permits may be issued, however, it does set the stage for implementation of the shoreline management program.

The Table Rock 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 six alternatives developed for the SMP revision are consistent with the land classifications established in the 2014 Table Rock Master Plan. The alternatives represent different scenarios where the shoreline management balance shifts between recreational development to management for environmental values.

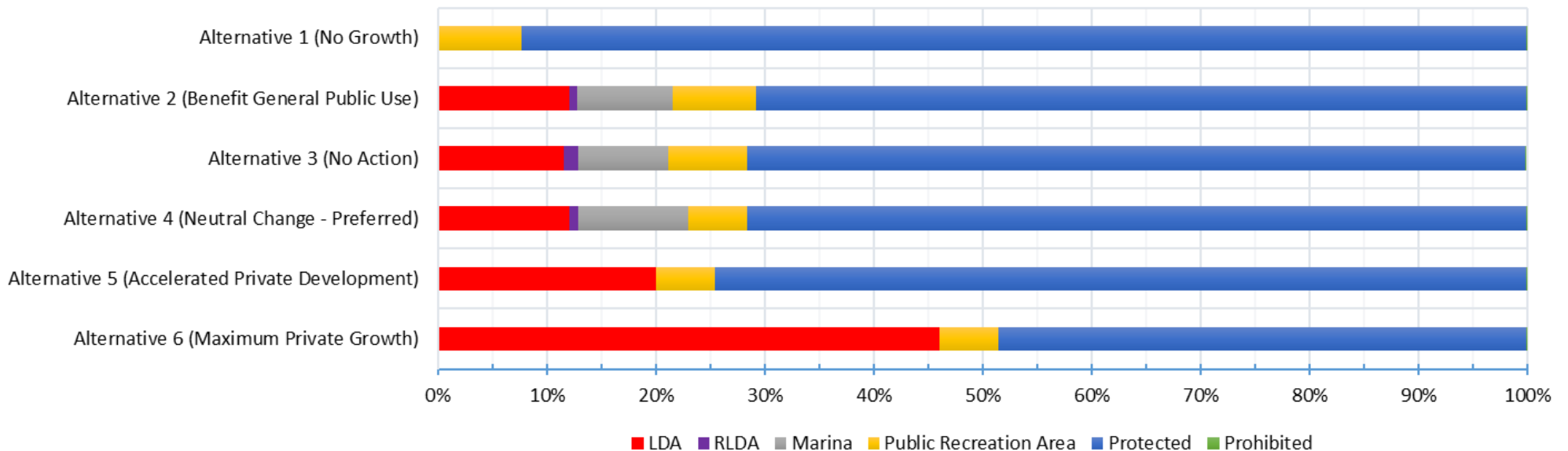
## PROJECT TIMELINE



# TABLE ROCK LAKE SHORELINE MANAGEMENT PLAN ALTERNATIVES UNDER CONSIDERATION

- Alternative 1 No Growth—92% of shoreline would be allocated as Protected Area. There would be no Limited Development Area (LDA) allocation on the lake. All existing permits would be allowed to remain until they no longer meet the permit requirements or the permit is revoked or terminated.
- Alternative 2 Benefit General Public Use—Allocations are very similar to the allocations in Alternative 3. The most substantial difference in allocations is the removal of Resort, Community Dock Only, and Courtesy Dock only allocations, converting these allocated areas to LDA, Restricted Limited Development Areas (RLDA), or Public Recreation Areas (PRA), as appropriate.
- Alternative 3 No Action—Defined as the Corps continuing utilization of the current SMP, with the inclusion of new policies enacted since 1994.
- Alternative 4 Neutral Change (Preferred)—Allocations are very similar to those in Alternative 3. The most substantial difference is allowing 1-20 slips in boat docks. Additionally, unusable LDA and RLDA were relocated to correct errors.
- Alternative 5 Accelerated Private Development—The Shoreline Allocations of PRA and Protected are similar to those presented in Alternative 4. LDA would be increased to 20 percent of total shoreline and the Marina Buffer Allocation would be converted to Protected or LDA as appropriate
- Alternative 6 Maximum Private Growth—Expands LDA shoreline miles from the current 12% to 47%. Additionally, it would allow for new parking areas on government land.

### Percentage of Shoreline by Alternative



Note: Not shown above is the 0.1% of the shoreline allocated to “Prohibited” (dam operations and safety areas) under each alternative.

**Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan  
Revision, Environmental Assessment,  
Master Plan Comment Form**



Please use this form to respond to provide your comments on the draft revised Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan and the draft Environmental Assessment. The draft revised Shoreline Management Plan and Environmental Assessment may be found on the web at <https://go.usa.gov/xN92n>. Please also include any comments you may have regarding the 2014 Table Rock Lake Master Plan. The 2014 Table Rock Lake Master Plan may be found on the web at <https://go.usa.gov/xN92n>. Feel free to take an extra form and sent it back later to the address listed below. **Comments must be submitted by August 30, 2017.**

**Your Name/Organization:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle the number that best represents your opinion of the draft documents: Revised Shoreline Management Plan, draft Environmental Assessment, and draft Finding of No Significant Impact:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Strongly									Strongly
Disapprove									Approve

**What are the most important factors that affect your opinion of the draft Revised Shoreline Management Plan?** \_\_\_\_\_

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**What are the most important factors that affect your opinion of the draft Environmental Assessment and draft Finding of No Significant Impact prepared for the Shoreline Management Plan Revision?** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Comments on the 2014 Master Plan:** \_\_\_\_\_

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Comments may be submitted via mail, email, fax or the project website with attention to: Table Rock Lake SMP/MP/EA Project Manager, Programs and Projects Management Division, USACE, Little Rock District, P.O. Box 867, Little Rock, AR 72203.

**Fax:** (501) 324-6518 **Email:** [CESWL-TableRockShorelineManagementPlanUpdate@usace.army.mil](mailto:CESWL-TableRockShorelineManagementPlanUpdate@usace.army.mil)

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Written comments must be postmarked, e-mailed, faxed, or otherwise submitted by **August 30, 2017**.



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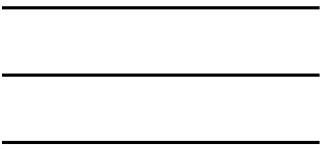


Table Rock Lake SMP/MP/EA Project Manager  
Programs and Project Management Division, Civil  
Works Branch  
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**PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT INSTRUCTIONS**

**AUTHORITY:** ER 1130-2-550, and the laws and regulations referenced therein. **PRINCIPAL PURPOSE(S):** To provide a means for the maximum practicable public participation in Master Plan and Shoreline Management Plan formulation, preparation and subsequent revisions, through the use of public meetings, group workshops, open houses or other public involvement. **ROUTINE USE(S):** Information you provide will be available for public review or may be disclosed to members of the Department of Defense or other Government agencies who have a need for the information in performance of their official duties, and where use of such information is compatible with the purpose for which the information is collected. **DISCLOSURE:** Voluntary; however, failure to furnish the requested information may prevent the Agency from being able to direct meeting notices or provide additional information to commenters.

# Appendix D

## Workshop Display Boards

# HOW TO COMMENT

**Comments are Due by August 30, 2017**

Please drop your comment form in the

**Comment Box** before leaving

or

**Mail, Email, or Fax** comments to:

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**Speak to the Court Reporter**

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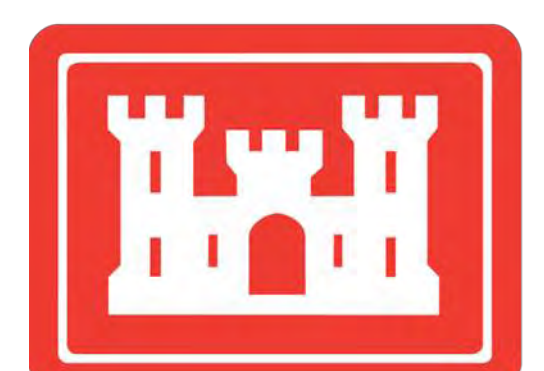
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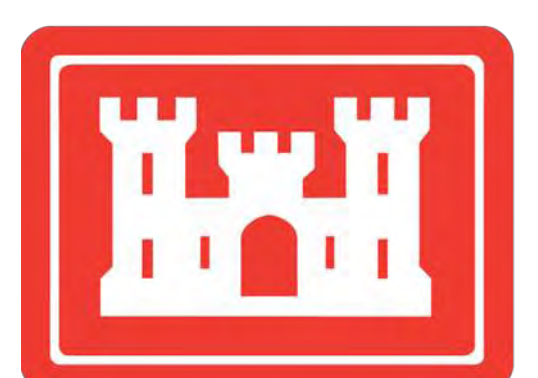


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# WHY REVISE THE SHORELINE MANAGEMENT PLAN?

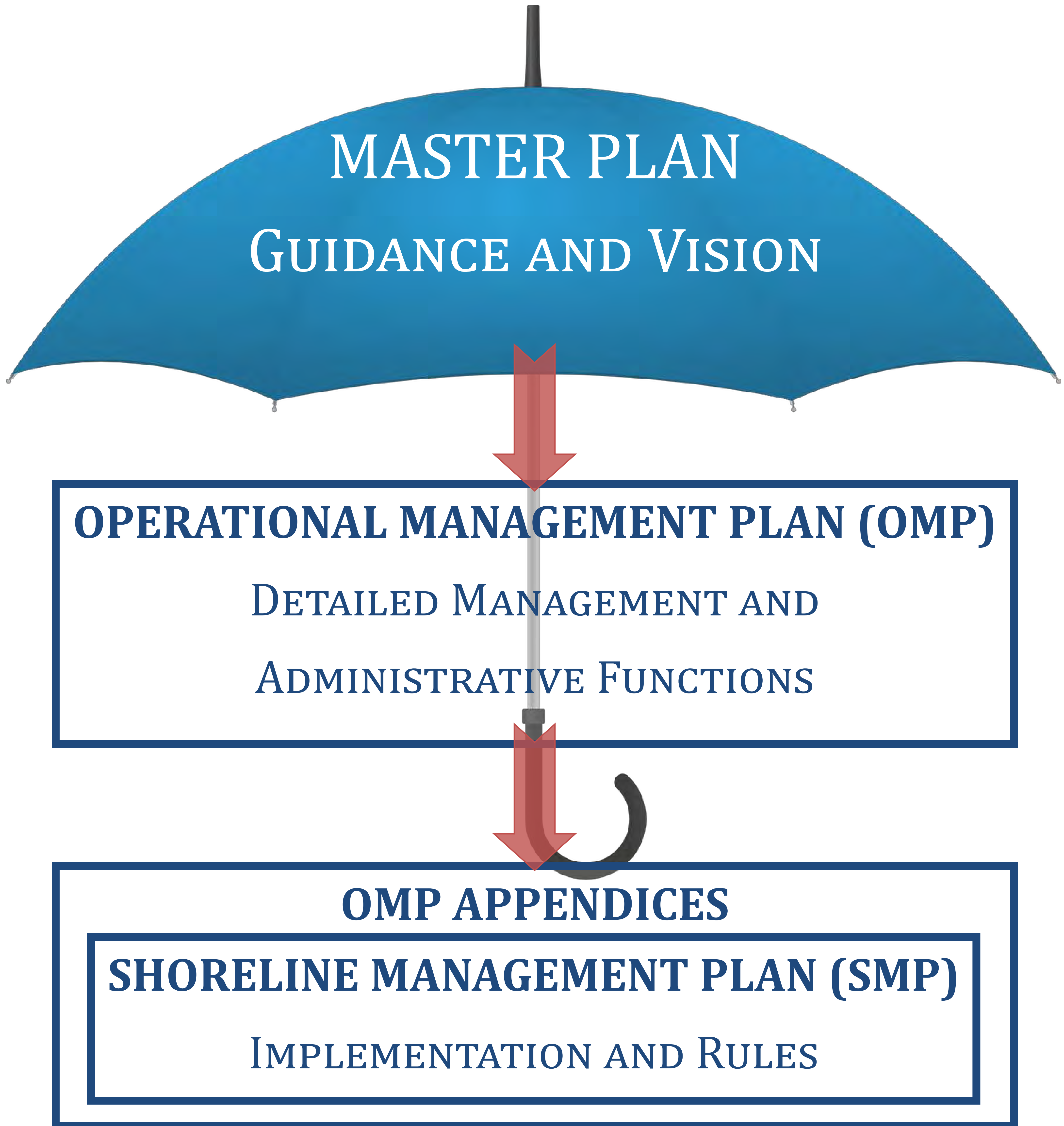
- The Master Plan was recently updated in 2014, which requires an update to the Shoreline Management Plan
- Visitation and resource demands continue to increase
- Recreational services continue to grow
- To align with current Corps policies/regulations and to provide better public education
- Use of new technology and maps for greater accuracy and efficiency
- Respond to changing land uses
- Balance resources with partner and stakeholder interests
- Fiscal resources limit proper management of the current program
- Sustainably manage the lake's resources for future generations



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# REVISION PROCESS





# ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

The Little Rock District is releasing the draft revision to the Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan.

The District has prepared an Environmental Assessment to evaluate the potential environmental and social effects of proposed changes to the Shoreline Management Plan.

## **Your Input is Important!**

Your feedback will help finalize the revision to the Table Rock Lake Shoreline Management Plan.

## **Please Let us Know:**

Your opinion of the proposed revisions to the Shoreline Management Plan including:  
zoning, dock permits and vegetation permits, and any other policy changes



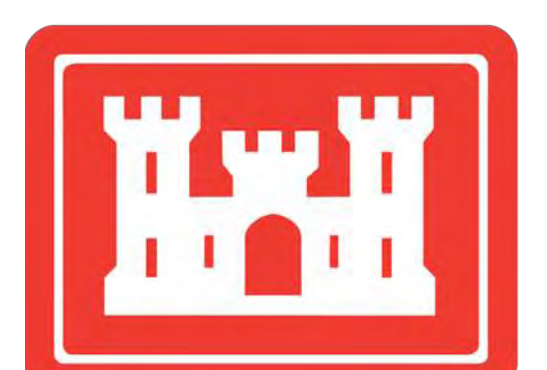


# ISSUES EVALUATED IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

- Land Use
- Recreational Facilities
- Visual and Aesthetic Impacts
- Fish and Wildlife
- Threatened and Endangered Species
- Cultural and Historic Resources
- Economic Development
- Public Safety
- Water Supply
- Flood Risk Management
- Water Quality

**Please comment**

on these or other issues that were considered in the environmental assessment



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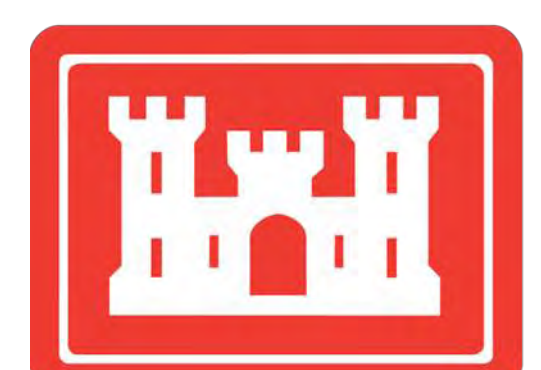
# MAJOR CHANGES PROPOSED

## Shoreline Allocations (Zoning)

- Park Buffer allocation name changed to Public Recreation Area.
- Certain Public Recreation Areas around the lake would be reduced, allowing the potential for vegetation permits in some areas where previously not allowed.
- Docks located outside of Limited Development Areas (LDA) and outside of Marina Buffer Areas have been placed in LDA, thereby relieving the grandfather status for these docks.
- Docks located in Restricted Limited Development Areas (RLDA) have fewer restrictions. If all other criteria are met, docks may expand, add swim docks, etc. but may not add slips.
- Community Dock only and Courtesy Dock only allocations have been changed to LDA. Some of those allocations have been reallocated if inactive.

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## Alternative 4

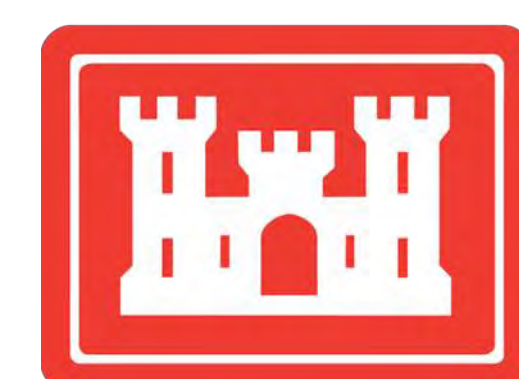
# MAJOR CHANGES PROPOSED

### Private Floating Facilities (Docks)

- New permits would be issued for new docks containing a range of 1 to 20 slips.
- Propose a threshold of 30,806 access opportunities (boat slips and launching ramp parking spaces) that can be placed on the lake. Currently there are 19,254 access opportunities.
- Two printed and one electronic set of engineered stamped plans of the entire facility would be required for new and modifications to existing facilities. In addition to the actual structure, plans must include all amenities, including but not limited to, lockers/storage, PWC moorage, deck overs, and solar battery storage.
- Maximum size slip would change from 14' x 30' to 12' x 30'.
- Requests to modify docks could only be submitted by the permittee and only 1 request will be considered in the 5-year permit period.
- PWC lifts attached to the dock must be owned/used by a slip owner in the dock.
- Would not need to provide a bill of sale or boat registration certificate to the Corps for change of ownership of a slip in a community dock; however, it must be provided for verification purposes as requested by the Operations Project Manager, or his/her representative.
- Only alternative power sources (e.g. solar) would be allowed. Existing licenses for overhead and underground electric service to private floating facilities will not be renewed after December 31, 2027.

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# MAJOR CHANGES PROPOSED

### Vegetation Modification Permits

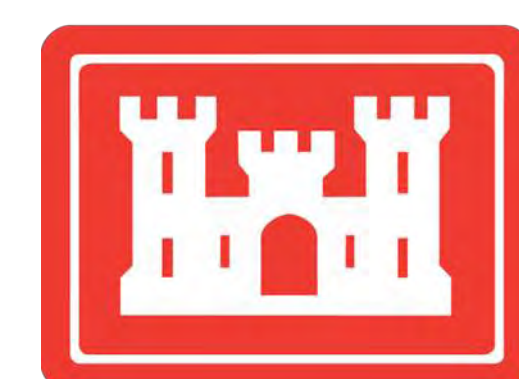
- Mowing and/or underbrushing would not be permitted across any natural or manmade break in vegetation such as a road, creek, or electric distribution line. Impacted permits will be grandfathered to current permit holders.
- With a permit, only non-flowering trees or shrubs 2-inches or less in diameter at ground level and any cedar 3-inches or less at ground level could be removed.

### Other Permits / Outgrants

- No new ski course permits would be issued.
- No new licenses would be issued for stairs, steps, mooring buoys, or tramways.
- No-Wake buoys for private docks would not be allowed. Approved no-wake signs may be placed on a dock. Existing no-wake buoys for private docks would have to be removed by December 31, 2020.

### **Please comment**

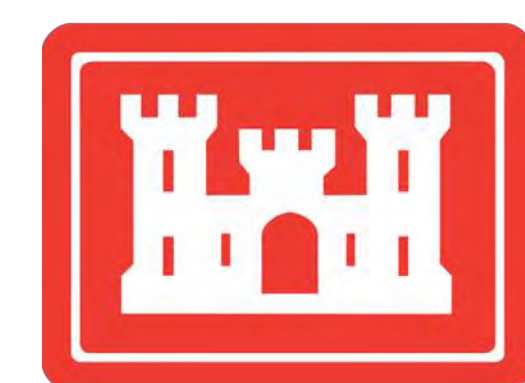
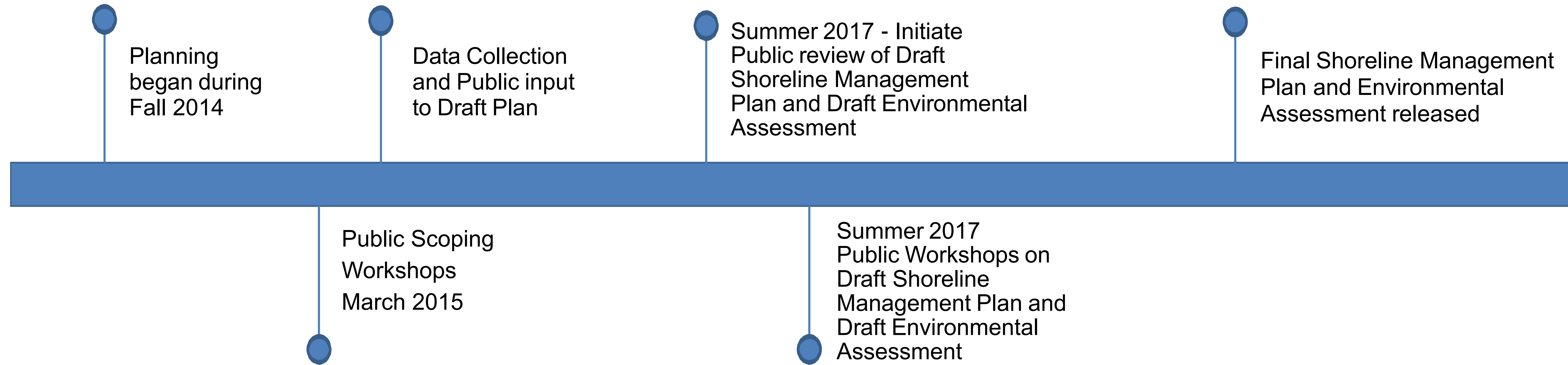
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# PROJECT TIMELINE



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# DESCRIPTION OF MASTER PLAN LAND CLASSIFICATIONS

## HIGH DENSITY RECREATION

--Lands intended to be developed or are currently developed for intensive recreational activities for the visiting public including day use areas and/or campgrounds.  
 --These could include areas for commercial concessions (marinas, comprehensive resorts, etc.), and quasi-public development.  
 --No new future public requests for Limited Development Areas (LDA) in a High Density classification will be granted based upon guidance received to keep private/community use separated from commercial use activities.

## LOW DENSITY RECREATION

--Lands with minimal development or infrastructure that support passive public recreational use (e.g. primitive camping, fishing, hunting, trails, wildlife viewing, etc.).  
 --Low Density Recreation lands may contain Limited Development Areas within the context of the Shoreline Management Plan (SMP) (Note: Distribution of shoreline areas to Limited Development status requires revision of the SMP).

## ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE

--Areas where scientific, ecological, cultural or aesthetic features have been identified.  
 --These areas must be considered by management to ensure they are not adversely impacted.  
 --Typically, limited or no development of public use is allowed on these lands, however public use which does not adversely impact these lands (fishing, hunting, wildlife viewing, photography, etc) is allowed.  
 --No agricultural, grazing, or mowing for residential/commercial uses are permitted on these lands unless necessary for a specific resource management benefit, such as prairie restoration.  
 --There are public utilities (i.e. power lines, roads, etc.) that may be found in ESA land classifications; this can be taken into account under the "limited development for public use" in ESA.  
 --Future right-of-ways for public utilities in ESA will be considered and reviewed on a case by case basis.

## WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA

--Lands designated for stewardship of fish and wildlife resources.

## PROJECT OPERATIONS

--Lands required for the dam, spillway, switchyard, levees, dikes, offices, maintenance facilities, and other areas that are used solely for the operation of the project.

# DESCRIPTION OF SHORELINE MANAGEMENT PLAN SHORELINE ALLOCATIONS

## LIMITED DEVELOPMENT AREAS (LDA)

--Limited Development Areas are those areas in which private facilities and/or activities may be allowed consistent with Title 36 327.30.  
 --Modification of vegetation by individuals may be allowed only following the issuance of a permit in accordance with Title 36 327.30.  
 --Potential low and high water conditions and underwater topography should be carefully evaluated before shoreline is allocated as Limited Development Area.

## MARINA BUFFER AREA

--Marina Buffer Areas are areas allocated to designate the area considered to be near commercial marine services per Title 36. Commercial Remote Service Docks are located within this allocation. Vegetation modification requests may be approved in Marina Buffer Areas, provided the request area is located inside the appropriate Master Plan land classification.

## RESTRICTED LIMITED DEVELOPMENT AREAS (RLDA)

--Restricted Limited Development Areas are designated to honor previous commitments to owners of existing, lawfully installed docks within a Marina Buffer Area. No new private floating facilities will be permitted in RLDA. Docks moored in these areas will not be allowed to construct additional slips; however, they are allowed to rebuild and/or expand their existing dock/slips the same as docks in LDA, as conditions permit.

## PUBLIC RECREATION AREA

--Public Recreation Areas are those areas designated for commercial concessionaire facilities, Federal, state or other similar public use. No private shoreline use facilities and/or activities will be permitted within or near designated or developed public recreation areas. The term "near" depends on the terrain, road system, and other local conditions, so actual distances must be established on a case by case basis in each project Shoreline Management Plan. No modification of land forms or vegetation by private individuals or groups of individuals is permitted in public recreation areas.

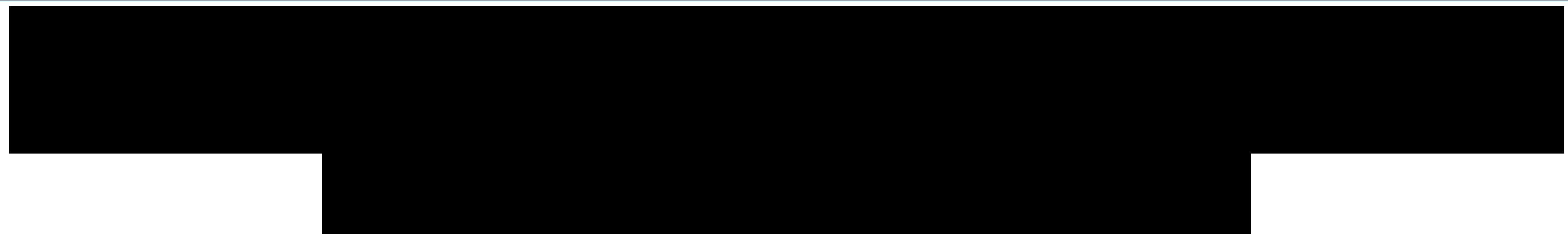
## PROTECTED (Not represented with a color on map)

--Protected Shoreline Areas are those areas designated to maintain or restore aesthetic, fish and wildlife, cultural, or other environmental values.  
 --Shoreline may also be so designated to prevent development in areas that are subject to excessive siltation, erosion, rapid dewatering, or exposure to high wind, wave, or current action and/or in areas in which development would interfere with navigation.  
 --No Shoreline Use Permits for floating or fixed recreation facilities will be allowed in protected areas.  
 --Some modification of vegetation by private individuals, such as clearing a narrow meandering path to the water, or limited mowing, may be allowed only following the issuance of a permit if the resource manager determines that the activity will not adversely impact the environment or physical characteristics for which the area was designated as protected. In making this determination the effect on water quality will also be considered.

## PROHIBITED AREAS

--Prohibited Access Areas are those in which public access is not allowed or is restricted for health, safety or security reasons. These could include hazardous areas near dams, spillways, hydro-electric power stations, work areas, water intake structures, etc.  
 --No shoreline use permits will be issued in Prohibited Access Area.





- Studies suggest that the maximum boat density for safe boat operation is 10 usable surface acres of water per vessel.
- The Recreational Boating Use Study, Table Rock Lake, completed in April 2010, suggested no more than a 60% increase in development.
- In this study, there were 2,090 boats counted on the lake during a summer non-peak weekend day in 2009. At that time there were a total of 19,254 access opportunities (private, commercial, and launch ramp parking) on the lake. An increase of 60% to both of these numbers is an additional 1,254 boats and an additional 11,552 access opportunities. As of May 2017, there was a total of 20,585 access opportunities. Therefore, we calculated an additional 10,221 access opportunities or a total 30,806 access opportunities can be on Table Rock Lake without breaching the recommended maximum 60% increase in boats.
- Based on the slip numbers counted in 2009 and 2017, Table Rock has been experiencing a 6.9% growth rate. It is calculated, based on historical growth rates and these capacity calculations, that Table Rock Lake may not reach this maximum capacity for another 61 years.
- When funding becomes available, and not later than when the lake reaches its midpoint (approximately 26,000 access opportunities) to the threshold, that another carrying capacity study be completed. The study will have the potential to adjust the access opportunity number either up or down depending on trends observed at the time of the study.

	2009	60% increase from 2009 (x * 60%)	2016	Difference between 2016 and 60% increase from 2009	Total after 60% Increase	Boat Density after 60% Increase
Slips <sup>a</sup>	19,254	11,552	20,585	10,221	30,806	10 acres <sup>b</sup> /boat
Boats in Use	2,090	1,254			3,344	

<sup>a</sup>Slips = Private slips + all commercial slips wet and dry + all boat ramp parking  
<sup>b</sup>Acres = useable surface acres of water.

BREAKDOWN OF ACCESS OPPORTUNITIES		
	2017	2009
Private Slips	13,214	12,165
Public Launch Ramp Parking Spaces	1,278	1,278
Marina Wet Slips	3,995	3,606
Marina Dry Slips	380	380
Resort Slips	1,718	1,825
<b>Total Slips/Access</b>	<b>20,585</b>	<b>19,254</b>



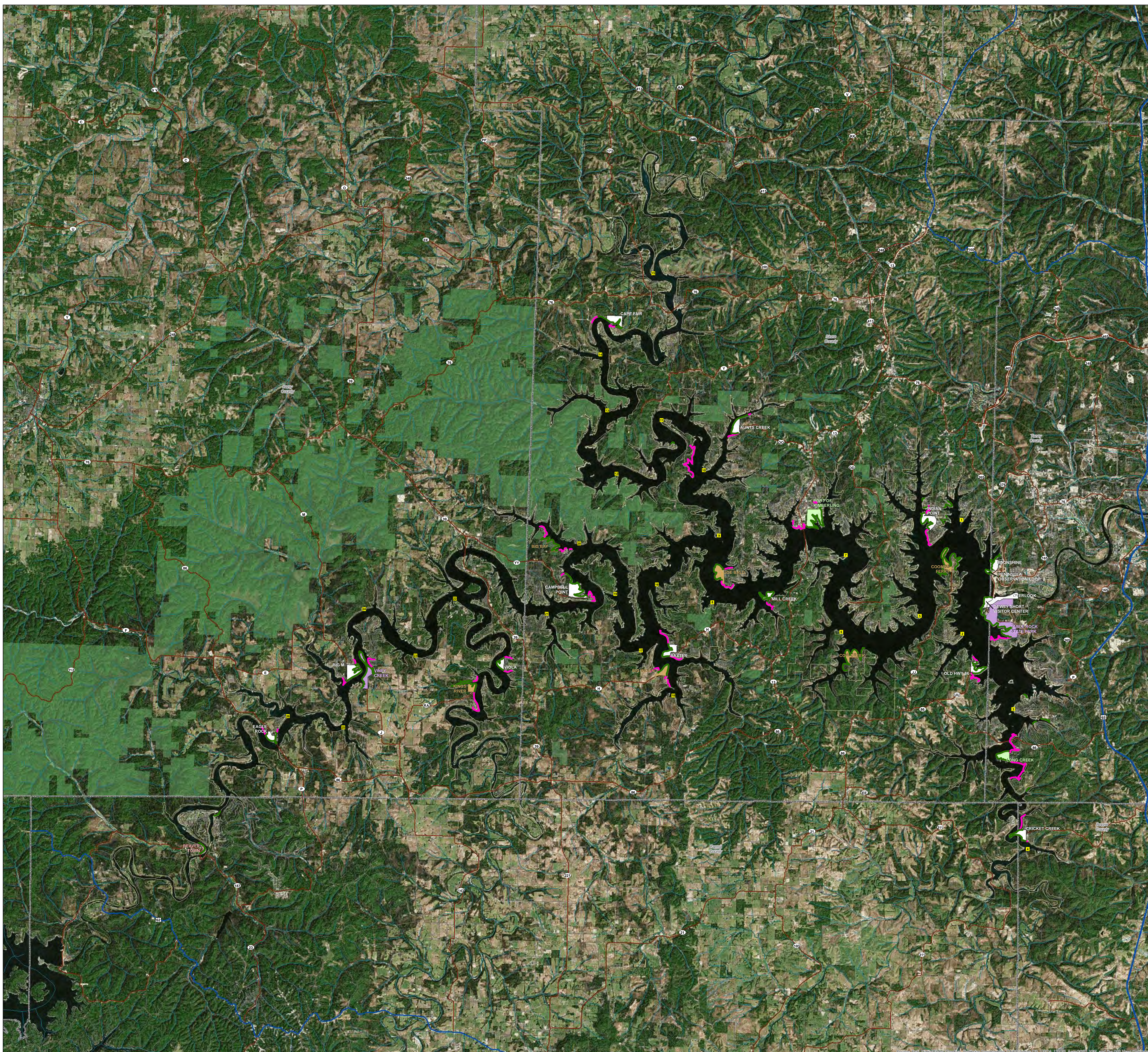
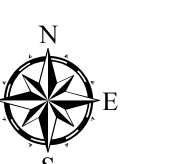
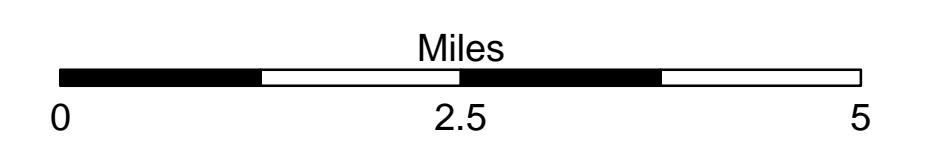
**AREAS WHERE  
PUBLIC RECREATION AREAS  
SHORELINE ALLOCATION  
(Park Buffer)  
HAVE BEEN REMOVED  
IN THE  
PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE  
FROM THE  
NO ACTION ALTERNATIVE**

**AREAS IN PINK MAY BE CONSIDERED  
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IN THE PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE**

- AlternativeFour\_BalanceUse\_Public Rec Areas
- AlternativeThree\_NoAction Public Rec Areas

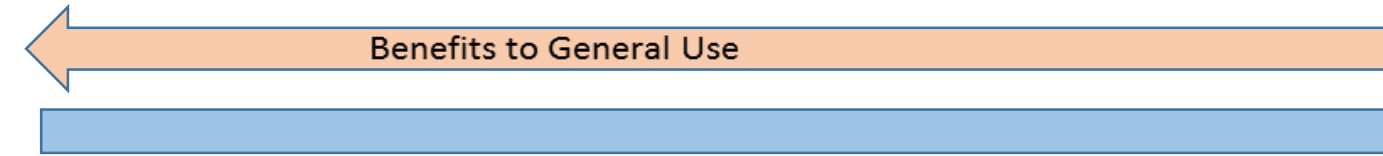
**Legend**

- Point Markers
  - Roads
  - State Highway
  - US Highway
  - Rivers
  - Counties
  - USDA Forest Service
  - USACE Boundary Line
- PUBLIC USE AREAS**
- Corps Operated
  - State Operated
  - City Operated
  - Privately Operated
  - Lake Access Only





# SHORELINE ZONING



MANAGEMENT MEASUREMENTS	1- NO GROWTH	2- BENEFIT GENERAL PUBLIC USE	3- NO ACTION (1996 PLAN)	4- NEUTRAL CHANGE (PREFERRED PLAN)	5- ACCELERATED PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT	6- MAXIMUM PRIVATE GROWTH
PROHIBITED			0.1%			
PROTECTED	92% -Voided permits will not be replaced.	70.7%	71.4%	71.5%	74.5%	48.5%
PUBLIC REC AREA (PRA)	7.7%		7.3%	5.4%		
	Make all high density areas PRA. Voided permits will not be replaced.	Make all high density areas PRA.	N/A	Make all high density areas PRA. Keep existing PRA (outside high density) only in ESA.		
LIMITED DEVELOPMENT AREA (LDA)	Convert to Protected. Every permit and outgrant is grandfathered.	12.0% - Relocate unusable LDA (adjacent to USFS or deemed unusable by prior site inspection) to convert a Protected Area to LDA to correct errors.	11.5%	12.0% - Relocate unusable LDA (adjacent to USFS or deemed unusable by prior site inspection) to convert a Protected Area to LDA to correct errors. Docks in PRA converted to LDA (non-Marina Buffer).	20%	46%
REZONING TO ADD LDA	No LDA	No Rezoning Allowed.	Do not allow new rezoning requests until existing zoning is full.	Do not allow new (received after Jan 2003) rezoning requests until existing zoning is full AND a carrying capacity is completed indicating "room" for additional slips. Evaluating 1 request received prior to 2003.	Add more LDA up to 20% (allow new rezoning requests and evaluating existing requests).	Make all Low Density lands LDA.
MARINA BUFFER	Convert to Protected or PRA as appropriate.	8.7% - Increase 0.5% to correct errors.	8.2%	10.1% - Increase 1.9% to correct errors and due to loss in PRA.	Convert to Protected (no dock) or LDA (if dock present).	
COMMERCIAL REMOTE SERVICE DOCKS (CRSD)	No new CRSD.		Allow new CRSD.	No new CRSD.		
RESTRICTED LIMITED DEVELOPMENT AREA (RLDA)	Convert to Protected or PRA as appropriate.	Docks allowed to modify same as LDA docks except they can't add a slip.			RLDA to LDA	
	N/A	0.8% Relocate unused RLDA to convert a Protected Area to LDA to correct errors. Corrected RLDA errors.	1.40%	0.9% Relocate unused RLDA to convert a Protected Area to LDA to correct errors. Corrected RLDA errors.	N/A	
RESORT	Convert to Protected or PRA as appropriate.	Convert to LDA, RLDA, or PRA as appropriate.	0.5%	Convert to LDA, RLDA, or PRA as appropriate.	Convert to LDA or PRA as appropriate.	
COMMUNITY	Convert to Protected	Convert to LDA if used and Protected if not used.	0.1%	Convert to LDA if used and Protected if not used.	Convert to LDA.	
COURTESY	Convert to Protected and PRA as appropriate.	Convert to LDA or PRA as appropriate, or Protected if not used.	0.04%	Convert to LDA or PRA as appropriate, or Protected if not used.	Convert to LDA or PRA as appropriate.	



# DOCK AND FLOATING FACILITIES IN

← Benefits to General Use

	<u>1- NO GROWTH</u>	<u>2- BENEFIT GENERAL PUBLIC USE</u>	<u>3- NO ACTION (1996 PLAN)</u>	<u>4- NEUTRAL CHANGE (PREFERRED PLAN)</u>	<u>5- ACCELERATED PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT</u>	<u>6- MAXIMUM PRIVATE GROWTH</u>
<b>MANAGEMENT MEASUREMENTS</b>						
<b>PARKING FOR NEW DOCKS AND NEW DOCK SLIPS</b>	No new parking areas will be needed because there will be no new docks or new slips.	Parking for multiple owner docks required within 200' of dock on private property.	Parking for multiple owner docks required within 200' or at closest possible location on private property.		Parking for multiple owner docks required within 400' or at closest possible location on private property. Allow expansion of non-traditional parking area easements on government to accommodate parking for additional boat slips.	Parking for multiple owner docks allowed to be created on government property.
			<b>Dock Structure (type/size)</b>			
<b>CARRYING CAPACITY</b>	Not needed because there will be no new docks.	Cap number of slips via future study to determine capacity (not currently planned).	Cap at 30,806 access opportunities.	Cap number of slips via rezoning restrictions (no new LDA until existing is full and carrying capacity completed).	None.	None.
<b>PWC LIFTS</b>	No new PWC lifts allowed on the outside of docks.	No PWC lifts allowed on outside of docks.		PWC lifts to be allowed on the outside of docks, shoreside only, and in slips.		
<b>SWIM DECKS</b>	No new swim decks allowed.			Allow swim decks, max 10' by length of dock.		
<b>SOLAR POWER</b>	Phase in solar/alternative power only (remove all land based electric service to private/community docks) – Conversion must be complete by Dec. 31, 2027.		Solar/alternative power only required for new service.	Phase in solar/alternative power only (remove all land based electric service to private/community docks) – Conversion must be complete by Dec. 31, 2027.		
<b>SLIP BOARDING OVER</b>	No new allowed.			Allow slip boarding up to 6'.		
<b>DOCK ENTRANCE WALKWAY</b>	No new or changes allowed.	Dock entrance ramp maximum 60'.	None specified, Ranger discretion.	Dock entrance ramp maximum 60' foot.		
<b>MINIMUM &amp; MAXIMUM NUMBER OF SLIPS PER DOCK</b>	No new or changes allowed.	Minimum 1 slip, maximum 2 slips.	Minimum 12 slips, maximum 20 slips.	Minimum 1 slip, maximum 20 slips.	Allow 1 slip minimum dock only where larger dock can't fit in zoning, 20 slip maximum.	
<b>MINIMUM WATER DEPTH FOR NEW DOCK/SLIP PLACEMENT</b>	No new or changes allowed.	Minimum water depth for new dock/slip placement is 8'.	None specified, Ranger discretion.	Minimum water depth for new dock/slip placement is 8 feet.		
<b>PARALLEL VS. PERPENDICULAR MOORED DOCKS</b>	No new or changes allowed.	Parallel or perpendicular docks allowed.	Do not allow new parallel docks.	Allow new parallel and perpendicular docks.		
<b>COURTESY DOCK</b>	No new or changes allowed.	Allow new courtesy docks in LDA.	Allow new courtesy docks in LDA & Marina Buffer	Allow new courtesy docks in LDA.		
<b>STAND ALONE SWIM DOCKS</b>	Do not allow new swim docks.				Allow new swim docks in LDA	
<b>MAXIMUM SLIP SIZE</b>	12' x 30'		14' x 30'		12' x 30'	
<b>EXCEEDING THE SLIP</b>	No boat, lift or other appurtenance may exceed the length of the slip. Existing will be grandfathered.					
<b>BOATS WITH MSD</b>	Boats with Marina Sanitation Devices (MSD) must be moored in commercial marinas. Existing boats housed in private/community docks will be grandfathered.					
			<b>Permitting Admin Process</b>			
<b>WHO CAN BE A PERMITEE</b>	Individual or Dock Association (can only be permittee of 1 dock)			Individual or Dock Association (can be permittee of multiple docks).		
<b>WHO CAN BE A SLIP OWNER</b>	Adjacent landowners only in new docks. Anyone in existing docks.			Anyone		
<b>RENEWAL INSPECTOR PROGRAM</b>	Renewal inspections completed by Park Rangers once every 5-years prior to permit renewal.					
<b>NUMBER OF SLIPS PER PERSON</b>	Allow ownership of only 2-slips per individual or family.				Allow someone to own unlimited number of slips	
<b>NUMBER OF PERSONS PER SLIP</b>	Allow ownership by only an individual or married couple.			Allow ownership by an individual, married couple, or trust.	Allow multiple owners in one boat slip (co-owners, trust, etc).	
<b>SLIP OWNER/BOAT REGISTRATION UPDATES</b>	Do not require proof (i.e. Bill of Sale and Boat Registration Certificate).		Require proof (i.e. Bill of Sale and Boat Registration Certificate)	Do not require proof (i.e. Bill of Sale and Boat Registration Certificate).		
<b>NEW SLIP BOAT REQUIREMENTS</b>	None allowed.	Boat ownership (registration certificate) required, boat must be 70% length of proposed slip.		Boat ownership (registration certificate) required, but no minimum boat size.		
<b>DOCK PLANS</b>	No new or changes allowed.	Require slip boarding, dock lockers, roof extensions, PWC lifts, solar battery storage, etc. (as allowed by specific Alternative) to be shown on the dock plans. Plans must be provided digitally.				
<b>DOCK MODIFICATION REQUESTS</b>	No new docks or changes to existing docks allowed.	Require 100% owner approval in writing for any dock modification	Require majority owner approval, including slips most affected, in writing for any dock modification. 100% owner approval required for changes to entire dock.	Require any request for dock modification to come from the permittee only, with written approval of a majority of the slip owners. Only accept one modification during each permit term.		
<b>NEW DOCKS OVER/ADJOINING FLOWAGE EASEMENT</b>	No new docks or changes to existing docks allowed.	Allow placement of dock adjoining flowage easement/inundated property with requirement for access easement for all slip owners current and future. Provided the location meets all other requirements.				



# VEGETATION MODIFICATION & OTHER

← Benefits to General Use

<b>MANAGEMENT MEASUREMENTS</b>	<b>1- NO GROWTH</b>	<b>2- BENEFIT GENERAL PUBLIC USE</b>	<b>3- NO ACTION (1996 PLAN)</b>	<b>4- NEUTRAL CHANGE (PREFERRED PLAN)</b>	<b>5- ACCELERATED PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT</b>	<b>6- MAXIMUM PRIVATE GROWTH</b>
			<b>Vegetation Modification</b>			
<b>MOWING DISTANCE</b>	No new mowing permits.	Mowing/Underbrushing limited to a maximum acreage.	Mowing/Underbrushing allowed up to a maximum of 200' from home.		Mowing/Underbrushing allowed up to a maximum of 200' from the boundary line under a general permit.	
<b>MOWING ACROSS A BREAK IN VEGETATION</b>	Do not allow mowing across any natural or manmade break in vegetation (creek, road, electric distribution line).		Ranger Discretion.	Do not allow mowing across any natural or manmade break in vegetation (creek, road, electric distribution line).	Allow mowing to cross only minor roads.	
<b>DELINEATION OF BOUNDARY</b>	Same as Alternatives 4-6 as it applies to renewals.	Require landowner to survey boundary prior to permit issuance.	When a potential encroachment/trespass is suspected, require landowner to survey boundary prior to permit issuance (to include renewals).			
<b>TREE LIMBING</b>	Allow limbing of only dead limbs that pose hazards to structures, walking paths or permitted mowing areas.				Allow limbing of healthy cedar trees up to 25% of the canopy within permitted mowing area.	
<b>UNDERBRUSH REMOVAL</b>	Allow removal of non-flowering trees less than 2" diameter breast height within the permitted mowing area.				Allow removal of non-flowering trees less than 2" in diameter and cedar trees less than 3" in diameter at ground level within permitted mowing area.	
<b>CEDAR TREE REMOVAL</b>	Allow removal of cedar trees less than 2" diameter breast height within permitted mowing area.				Allow cedar tree removal with required tree or native grass mitigation within the permitted mowing area.	
<b>DEAD TREE REMOVAL</b>	Allow removal of dead trees that are hazards to structures and/or paths.				Allow removal of dead trees that are hazards to structures, paths, or in permitted mowing areas.	
<b>TREE DENSITY</b>	Require a minimum tree density.				No minimum tree density requirement.	
<b>VEGETATION REMOVAL FOR DOCK MAINTENANCE</b>	Mowing/Underbrushing limited to 3' path for dock cables and a 6' wide meandering walking path.		None specified. Ranger discretion.		Mowing/Underbrushing limited to 6' path for dock cables and a 6' wide meandering walking path.	
<b>WALKING PATHS</b>	Low Density & Environmentally Sensitive Area (ESA) Paths both meandering. Low Density allowed 6' wide wood bark/mulch path materials. ESA paths have no path materials, no vegetation modification, foot path only.		Low Density paths maximum 6' wide, meandering, path materials wood bark/mulch or creek gravel. No specifications for ESA paths.	Low Density 6' wide & ESA Paths 3' wide, both meandering. Low Density allowed wood bark/mulch path materials. No path materials allowed for ESA paths.	Low Density & ESA Paths both 6' wide meandering. Low Density allowed wood bark/mulch path materials. No path materials allowed for ESA paths.	
<b>EQUIPMENT/TOOLS</b>	Hand tools only.			Turf tired riding lawn mowers and hand tools. Tractors with special permission.		
			<b>Other</b>			
<b>GOLF CART USE</b>	Allow turf tired golf cart or other low impact turf tired vehicle on approved paths in Low Density areas, requires proof of need and written permission.				Same as Alt 1-4 but do not require written permission. Must have proof of need during use.	
<b>STEP/STAIRS</b>	No new steps or stairs allowed.		Steps/Stair to a dock allowed when slope is at least 20%.		No new steps or stairs allowed.	
<b>TRAMWAYS</b>	No new tramways allowed.				Allow new tramways.	
<b>SKI COURSES</b>	Do not allow any new courses, allow renewal of existing.				Allow new ski courses.	
<b>BUOYS</b>	No "no wake" or mooring buoys allowed. Missouri State Highway Patrol approved "no wake" signs on dock will be allowed.					

# Appendix E

## Public Comments

See Separate File



# Appendix F

## Summary of Location Specific Comments

## Location Specific Requests

- Why were huge rocks placed along the boat ramps in the Corps' park near Cape Fair, MO?
- We own a 250-acre subdivision, Serenity Cove Estates. We were told they had enough red line boat dock zoning for 50+ slips in 2006. Now we have been told they do not.
- Remove large rocks at Campbell Point Marina.
- Kimberling City needs a public use facility, Mill Creek would be the best place.
- Weeds and trees at Campbell Point are overgrown. Large rocks at boat launch are horrible.
- Commercial docks use heavy construction equipment that tears up gravel parking lots on Corps property and ignore their responsibility to repair them. (P.O.K. at Dock 51).
- Concerns of Long Creek Campground development and the expansion of campground area over and above the current 41 campground sites. Development of additional campground sites would affect erosion of area which currently flows onto our property (938 Long Creek Road, Ridgedale, MO) during heavy rainfall.
- As stated in your draft, we have LDA dock zoning in front of our house (563 Van Miller Drive, Galena, MO). We would like to add a single stall dock. It appears we have enough room to do it.
- My father's property down Sterling Oaks Rd. (down Talking Rocks Rd) Branson West with 4,000 feet of shoreline has been arbitrarily singled out and prohibited to have any access to the lake. Would like at least path to lake and courtesy dock.
- I currently own the property across from Pizza Hut in Shell Knob. The property has approximately 900 ft of lakefront access along the cove (Map 13 of 63, Plate 11, Sec. 15, appox. lat/lon of property is N 36.37.5, W 95.77.1). According to old plats, the property is zoned for "no docks" and is currently under a "vegetative permit" (#2926 Vegetative Permit) restriction. I don't understand why this property is restricted by a "no dock" and "vegetative permit" only limit. Updating the Corps MP to redesignate my property a Limited Development Area with the ability to obtain a dock permit would support the community to continue to grow.
- Kings River Camping and Rentals LLC, 26750 Buckingham Pl, Shell Knob, MO. This plan doesn't help our resort. We would like to be able to clean our beach area for our guests. We would like to put in a boat ramp. Our place is classified as protected. How can we go about rezoning our area? Would like to be rezoned to LDA and get a resort lease.
- Property number 15-1.0-11-000-000-005 from the 2015 Stone County real estate property tax receipt. It appears on the master plan map that the shoreline designation for our neighbors across the cover is coded with the yellow color while our property is bright green.



The properties are very similar. Shouldn't our shoreline be the same designation as the Tom and Bev Rees property across the cove?

- Request to be zoned for LDA in the area of Table Rock Lake in John's Branch Cove across the cove from Zone 336 on your lake map. The property owners of Eagle Bluff Estates and Harmony Hills Estate would then be able to install a dock.
- This allows me to apply for, and most likely construct, a new private dock directly behind my lake home (734 Heather Row, Reeds Spring, MO).
- Delay in getting response to replace existing dock that is old wooden dock. Application submitted. Treasure Point Boat Dock, Lampe, MO.
- The red line segment with zone i.d. 000.7 is underneath a power line. It is unusable. The dock zoning could be used, however, if zone i.d. 000.7 was switched to the opposite side of the cove. The red line segment with zone i.d. 001 lies partly underneath a power line, making the zone partly unusable. If red line zone 001 was moved further into the cove (away from the main channel) this would take the zone out from underneath power lines and make development of a new dock possible.
- It appears that the environmentally sensitive areas were determined based on current land use in 2014. Our location (Liberty Plantation Wedding Event Center, 224 Bass Bend Trail, Cape Fair, MO) was under construction at that time. We are now unable to obtain a brush or mow permit that would allow us to give our patrons a view of the lake. But it appears that other commercial properties were given at a minimum rating of "low density".
- We own a boat slip at 352 Hobbs Hollow, Slip #19 Shell Knob, MO. We understand that the dock at 343 Hobbs Hollow, Shell Knob, MO is wanting to expand the dock by adding 4 slips. That would make it impossible for us to get our house boat out and very unsafe. The best solution is for their dock to be moved to the east side of the public boat ramp.
- Primary concern is Big Cedar Development of Long Creek Campground and impact it will have on our adjoining property at 938 Long Creek Road. We are extremely opposed to further development beyond the 47 campsites at the Long Creek Campground.
- 27275 Glade Rock Lane, Shell Knob, MO. The red zone area across our cove is a wasted area. The resort owns the area. They already have their own dock. Moving the red zone across the cove shows more thoughtfulness for use. There are 14 residences on this side of the cove. The community dock has 20 slips which have been full for many years. I am requesting a 2 slip dock which would have very little impact on the shore management.
- 945 Parkview Drive, Hollister, MO. Not being able to put in a private boat dock because we are in the yellow zone and close to the marina. We just bought this property last September and didn't realize we couldn't get a boat dock in this area.
- Cricket Creek Cove, Lot #15 Bnair Branch subdivision, Boone County, Arkansas. Want to get a permit to build a dock on their property.

- Our neighborhood (Poverty Point/Dale Ave) boat launch ramp is being used as a beach, campsite, parking, and used commercially by the local kayak rental and by Kanakuk Camp. Cleanup is left to residents and we need you to help us make our neighborhood safe again.
- Boat ramp and tall weeds in Paradise Point (off Potential Drive). The boat ramp is now home to vagrants putting up tents and nonresidents using the ramp as a public beach. Trash of all kinds, included used needles, is being left behind for the residents to clean up. Crime in the area has escalated. The open area has turned into a bug infested blight on the neighborhood. It's dangerous for adults, but even more so for children.
- Campbell's Point. I have a vegetation permit and I live in a buffer association. My husband died and my permit expired and now they won't let me renew it. Why? Are the Corps going to allow me to renew that since I live in a buffer zone?
- The docks in the Kimberling City are not fully compliant with the removal of styrofoam and replacement of encapsulated floats. I was told that Port of Kimberling was granted a delay but I don't understand why and for how long. These are commercial docks and the only styrofoam replaced are areas that are visible from the shoreline and the lake, overall the docks labeled Pier 61, 62, 63, 64 are still primarily styrofoam? I feel the Corps should look into why these docks are not compliant and make sure this is corrected.
- Could a sign or notice be placed at the Big Indian access advising visitors not to leave garage? We understand that the park was closed years ago, but the ramp is still open. There is a lot of partying that goes on down there, and a lot of garbage is dumped.
- Styrofoam blocks may be originating from a very large old abandoned looking dock near the Baxter boat dock and marina. Large blocks of styrofoam have washed up on our property at 89 Williams Lane. The styrofoam is everywhere, even under docks near Campbell Point Marina.
- We are requesting the SMP proposed community dock zoning change for Lake Forest Hills subdivision located on Talking Rocks Road near Branson West, MO be returned to current status, thus continuing to allow zoning for our second community dock.
- I own an interest in property located in Sections 21 and 16 of Township 22, Range 24, Stone County, MO. The property which I own an interest in and the adjacent properties have little or no boat dock zoning. Specifically between Limited Development Area 432 and LDA 434, a distance of approximately 4.3 miles there is only 406 feet of LDA which allows boat docks. I would request that the Corps consider allocating a portion of the LDA and dock zoning which is being allocated to the north side of the cove that is located immediately west of Point Marker #19.
- I am considering a property off DD Highway and wated to inquire about the possibility of placing a new dock. The property is 9 Memory Lane which is a parcel that is triangular and not waterfront. The sale will include the parcel just to the south which is waterfront (Parcel 14-1.0-01-000-000-028.008 Stone County assessor). There is an area at the bottom of Lancelot Lane that is adjacent to this property prior to the road turning back north that I am

inquiring about. Would there be an possibility to add a future dock to this part of the lake? If not, at this location, would any part of that cove possibly be a potential site?

- Sumac overgrowth returning to shoreline near our property at 3346 Long Bend Road, Galena, MO. What would we need to do, or is it something the Corps would even consider, to seek permission to once again clear out the growth of this invasive weed/brush along the point near our home?
- The property purchased (2031-3-3 on the Corp map) was confirmed to have zoning for "limited development area" (163.5 on the Corp map). Now, the Corp is considering removal of my zoning due to not having had a dock already built on the site. The proposed map indicated my location as being a "Neutral Change. Alt 4 Preferred". While my property is on the market for sale, I respectfully request that the Corp reinstate the zoning which has been in place since 1996, and designate it as a "limited development area".
- We own properties at 372 Tina St and 408 Tina St in Hollister. We are in a cove across from State Park Marina along with many homes that have been using and enjoying the lake shoreline of years. We would just like to be able to get our permit to mow the Corp property behind our lots. We have called multiple times to find out when we can purchase our mowing permits, but keep being told not yet.
- Rock Creek. Many docks have been put in over the past 10 years. The docks are not the problem, it's the people, they never leave the creek and go out on the main lake which means we have sometimes 10 or more boats, wave runners, and wake boats. They all go round and round in an area probably no bigger than 40 acres. I own 2 slips on a 4 slip dock all up to code. I have repaired this dock almost yearly due to boats coming too close. I would like to see the Lake Patrol come up the creek more often. I would also like to see a noise ordinance go into effect and a no-wake zone starting at the Big M Satellite Dock.
- I am a landowner at latitude 36.687491 longitude -93.483397, just 285 feet due east of the USACE property line. There is an extreme lack of Red Line Dock Zoning around here. There is virtually no Red Line Dock Zoning in our cove. We need more Red Line Dock Zoning at approximately 760 feet south/southwest of LDA 163, from LAT 36.687542 LONG -93.484985 to LAT 36.687022 LONG -93.484733. Lake Channel width at the narrowest point is approximately 260' and increases from there. With proper Red Line Dock Zoning, we could build a much-needed community dock there. I would be willing to provide a permanent parking easement on my property, and slip owners could have access via the permanent public fire road that is due west of my property that runs all the way to the USACE property.