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PUBLIC NOTICE

DRAFT MASTER PLAN AND ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR THE PROPOSED U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS WALLISVILLE LAKE 2022 MASTER PLAN LIBERTY AND CHAMBERS COUNTIES, TEXAS

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Galveston District, hereby informs the public of the release of the draft Wallisville Lake 2022 Master Plan (hereafter Plan), draft Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI), and draft Environmental Assessment (EA). This Plan aims to provide direction for appropriate management, use, development, enhancement, protection, and conservation of the natural, cultural, and manmade resources within the Wallisville Lake Project Area. The draft Plan presents an inventory and analysis of land resources, resource management objectives, land use classifications, resource use plans for each land use classification, current and projected park facility needs, an analysis of existing and anticipated resource use, and influences expected on overall project operation and management. Prior to this proposed Plan revision, the current Plan for Lake Wallisville was completed in 1996 and was intended for navigation, salinity control, water supply, fish and wildlife enhancement, and recreation.

The current Master Plan for Wallisville Lake was last revised in 1996, and many changes have occurred in policy since that time. This revision is intended to update the 1996 Master Plan and ensure environmental protection and public access to public lands at Wallisville Lake. **Public participation is critical to the successful revision of the Plan.**

In lieu of a face-to-face public meeting due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the USACE will provide a virtual presentation that gives an overview of the proposed changes to the current Wallisville Lake Master Plan and instructions on submitting comments. A 30-day public comment period will begin on May 27, 2022, and end on June 26, 2022. The draft Plan, FONSI, EA, and comment instructions will be available for download starting May 27, 2022, at the following Galveston District website:

https://www.swg.usace.army.mil/Locations/Wallisville-Lake-Project-Office/Wallisville-Lake-Master-Plan-Page/

Comments, suggestions, and questions on the proposed revision can be emailed to WallisvilleMasterPlan@usace.army.mil, or mailed to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Eric Angle – Team Leader, 1140 US Army Corps Road, Wallisville, TX 77597.

Sincerely,

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