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Corps to host Water Control Manual Public Meeting for Stonewall Jackson Lake

WHO: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Pittsburgh District

WHAT: Stonewall Jackson Lake Water Control Manual Update

WHERE: Lewis County High School, 205 Minuteman Drive, Weston, WV 26452 (<http://g.co/maps/jxs7w>)

WHEN: Thursday, May 3, 2012 (open-house starting at 6pm, presentation starting at 7pm)

WHY: Pittsburgh District is updating and formalizing its Water Control Manual for Stonewall Jackson Lake on the West Fork River in West Virginia. A water control manual defines the amount of water stored and released during normal operations throughout the year, as well as operations during seasonal events, such as droughts and floods, and emergencies.

While emergency operations are a critical component of any control plan, water management operations at Stonewall Jackson Lake also reduce the impact of acid mine drainage and municipal pollution by more than 50 percent along over 100 miles of the lower West Fork and upper Monongahela Rivers, providing healthier water for consumption, recreation, flora and fauna—throughout the year.

This updated version of the Stonewall Jackson Lake Water Control Manual is not intended to change current water management practices. In publically sharing information about water management at Stonewall Jackson Lake, it is the Corps intent to ensure that the project's congressionally-authorized mission priorities and operations are transparent and unbiased.

For more information visit: www.lrp.usace.army.mil/wm/WCM.html

Pittsburgh District's 26,000 square miles include portions of western Pennsylvania, northern West Virginia, eastern Ohio, western Maryland and southwestern New York. Our jurisdiction includes more than 328 miles of navigable waterways, 23 navigation locks and dams, 16 multi-purpose flood control reservoirs, 42 local flood protection projects and other projects to protect and enhance the Nation's water resources, infrastructure and environment.

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