

Master Plan Revision

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Agenda

- Welcome
- Lake Perspective
- Expectations
- Background
- Master Plan 101
- The Vision
- Our Partners
- NEPA
- Q & A



Master Plan Overview

- Overall ***land use management plan***
- Guides comprehensive ***management and development*** of:
 - ▶ recreation
 - ▶ natural
 - ▶ cultural resources



Master Plan Overview

- Provides ***authority***, NOT ***funding***
- Covers ***activities*** on project lands and waters, NOT ***physical operation*** of dam
- Discusses ***broad management***, does NOT focus on facility ***design details*** or daily project operation



Master Plan Overview

- Examines environmental, recreational, and socioeconomic *trends*
- Answers these questions:
 - ▶ What are the regional ecosystem needs?
 - ▶ What are the project resource capabilities and suitability?
 - ▶ What is public interest compatible with project purposes and sustainable resource use?





Master Plan Content

- Introduction
- Project Setting and Factors Influencing Resource Management and Development
- Resource Objectives
- Land Allocation and Land Classification
- Resource Plan
- Special Topics/Issues/Considerations
- Agency and Public Coordination
- Environmental Assessment



National Environmental Policy Act

Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact

- Programmatic, not site specific
- Allows for “pre-approval” of projects
- Additional analyses required for certain actions
 - ▶ Additional EA/FONSI
 - ▶ Site specific coordination etc



Land Classification Definitions

- Project Operations
- High Density Recreation
- Environmentally Sensitive Areas
- Multiple Resource Management
 - ▶ Low Density Recreation
 - ▶ Wildlife Management
 - ▶ Vegetative Management
 - ▶ Future/Inactive



Water Surface Definitions

- Restricted
- Designated No-Wake
- Fish and Wildlife Sanctuary
 - ▶ Annual or seasonal restrictions on areas to protect fish and wildlife species during periods of migration, resting, feeding, nesting, or spawning
- Open Recreation



Master Plan Resource Objectives

- Goals reflecting desired current or future condition states for resources
- Achievable through management or development activities
- Compatible with Corps principles and regulations, relevant state and federal natural resource action plans, and applicable laws



Questions

Clarification on what was presented?

Anything else?



Scoping Workshop

- **Comment cards**

- ▶ What regional needs should the Master Plan take into consideration?
- ▶ What potential threats need to be addressed in the Master Plan?
- ▶ What are some Best Management Practices that should be considered (and to what end)?
- ▶ What opportunities and information are we missing, what gaps do we need to fill?

- **Priorities**

- **Report back**



What's Next?

1. Consider the information
2. Prepare the plan
3. Final meeting to present the draft

