

Master Plan Update Fact Sheet

Tygart Lake

Master Plan Revision

The US Army Corps of Engineers, Pittsburgh District, is revising the Tygart Lake Master Plan to guide the management of government-owned and leased lands around the Lake. This will impact future use of natural resources and recreational activities at Tygart Lake for the next 25 years.

This is your opportunity to let the Corps know how you would like the Lake to be managed in the future. The Master Plan Update process will include an analysis of potential effects of updates in the land management plan on the natural and social environment, including: fish and wildlife, cultural and historic resources, recreational opportunities, economics, land use, aesthetics, and public health and safety.

Objectives of Update

- Conserve the resources of the lake within the current policies and guidelines of the Corps of Engineers
- Accommodate current and projected use patterns with maximum efficiency
- Identify and protect cultural and natural resources
- Attract maximum participation by the general public and local government

Why Update

The original Master Plan was developed more than 40 years ago and does not reflect current conditions at the Lake. Changes in Corps regulations and community needs necessitate a revision to this Master Plan.

The Master Plan revision will classify the government lands around the Lake based on environmental and socioeconomic considerations, public input, and an evaluation of past, present, and forecasted trends. This update is stewardship driven and seeks to balance recreational development and use with the goal of conservation of natural and cultural resources.



SAVE THE DATE
Shoreline Management Plan & Master Plan Revision
Public Meeting

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Pittsburgh District will host a public meeting on:

Monday August 20, 5:00-8:00 pm
(presentation followed by breakout groups)

at the Taylor County Middle School
670 Spring Hills Road, Grafton, WV 26354

If you cannot attend in-person, send us your input via:
Visit - Tygart River Dam & Lake
Saturday August 25, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm
for a dam tour & open house

Email - celrp-pa@usace.army.mil

Or mail - Tygart River Dam & Lake
530 Paul E. Malone Road, Grafton, WV 26354

About the Lake

Tygart Lake and Dam was authorized by the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1935. It is unique in that the dam's original authorization was for navigation, providing water to downstream locks and dams. It was also the first of 16 flood damage reduction projects in the Pittsburgh District.

The dam provides flood protection for the lower Tygart River Valley, as well as the Monongahela and upper Ohio Rivers. The lake has the capability to store the equivalent runoff of 4.56 inches of precipitation from its 1,184 square mile watershed. Since its completion in the 1938, Tygart Dam has prevented flood damage in excess of \$1.2 billion.

Recreational activities at Tygart Lake are managed by the following partners:

- Division of Natural Resources State Parks
- Division of Natural Resources Wildlife Section



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The Corps is responsible for the maintenance, restoration and stewardship of natural resources on the multipurpose reservoir projects it manages. To facilitate the management and use of these lands, a Master Plan is maintained for each reservoir.

A Master Plan is a strategic land use management document that guides the comprehensive management and development of recreation, natural and cultural resources at Corps reservoirs and provides a vision for how the lake should look in the future.

The Pittsburgh District is proposing to adopt and implement a revision to the Tygart Lake Master Plan which was originally developed in 1976.



Share your perspective, sign up for our mailing list, and/or let us know how you'd prefer to be involved in the Tygart Lake Master Plan Update by emailing us at celrp-pa@usace.army.mil.

