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Loyalhanna, Conemaugh Lakes Seek Public Input on Master Plan Update

Who: US Army Corps of Engineers, Pittsburgh

What: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Pittsburgh District, is revisiting the master plans (MPs) for Loyalhanna and Conemaugh Lakes which were last updated in 1952.

Where: UPDATED LOCATION
Saltsburg River Hall
313 Salt Street
Saltsburg, PA 15681

When: Wednesday June 17, 2015, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. and 5 – 9 p.m.
Informational Presentations at 12:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Why: Public input is critical in the MP update and we invite the public to attend our final public meeting to review the progress made to this point. An open-house-style meeting will be held to answer questions and seek public input with a conceptual poster and a draft MP document for review and comment.

The purpose of the MPs revision is to consolidate them into a single document and update them to be in compliance with current USACE policies and regulations, identify management opportunities and constraints, user needs and characteristics, and to balance these factors while protecting natural resources and providing stewardship for the future.

An MP is a document that conceptually establishes and guides the orderly development, administration, maintenance, preservation, enhancement, and management of all natural, cultural, and recreational resources of a USACE water project. The MP does not address water-level management. Water levels are managed in accordance with a separate water regulation manual. The primary benefit of revising the current MPs is to reflect changes in recreational facilities, the surrounding environment, socioeconomic conditions, and visitation patterns.

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