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Waco Lake to remove damaged fishing piers

FORT WORTH, Texas – The U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, Fort Worth District at Waco Lake announced today the intent to remove fishing piers at Twin Bridges and Koehne Parks. The 2007 flood event caused damages to the fishing piers to the extent that they have been determined unsafe for public use.

Before plans are developed to replace these facilities, the Corps will solicit public comments on where these facilities might be relocated. Removal activities will begin on May 19 with a completion date of May 20. The Corps will close Koehne Park, for one day only, on May 19 to facilitate movement of heavy equipment into and out of the area. Twin Bridges remains closed to complete pier removal and other park improvements but is scheduled to reopen June 15. Other banking fishing areas remain available at Midway, Reynolds Creek and Airport Beach Parks.

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<u>About the Fort Worth District</u>: The Fort Worth District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers was established in 1950. The District is responsible for water resources development in two-thirds of Texas, and military design and construction in Texas and parts of Louisiana and New Mexico. Visit the Fort Worth District web site at: www.swf.usace.army.mil. Photograph of George Williams is available upon request.