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Corps of Engineers partners with Texas Equestrian Trail Riders Association (TETRA)

FORT WORTH, TX – Through the cooperative efforts of TETRA, Region 8, and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at Lake Proctor, approximately eight miles of equestrian trails have been opened at Proctor Lake, with more planned for development. The trailhead is located in Highpoint Park and provides a large, unimproved parking area for vehicles and horse trailers. The trail is divided into several smaller sub-trails, which allow users to plan the length of their rides according to the time they have to spend. The trails traverse a variety of landscapes including open grasslands, wooded uplands, open shoreline, and rocky outcroppings. Wildlife often seen along the trails include white-tailed deer, coyotes, waterfowl, shorebirds, and songbirds. The trails are now open to the public for equestrian users, hikers, birdwatchers, and other outdoor enthusiasts. From HWY 67/377, turn west on FM 1476, cross the bridge over Lake Proctor and continue to the intersection of FM 1476 and FM 1496. Turn left on FM 1496 and go approximately 2.5 miles to the trailhead at Highpoint Park.

The trails were primarily developed by dedicated and hardworking volunteers associated with TETRA, Region 8, the Comanche County 4-H Horse Club, the Comanche County Sheriff's Posse, and numerous individuals. Continued trail development is needed to facilitate/improve parking, provide benches/resting areas, install signs and mile markers, and develop a trail map. For additional information regarding use of the trail or to volunteer to help develop/maintain the trail, please contact Park Ranger Brad Campbell at the Corps of Engineers Lake Proctor office at 254-879-2424.