

# Raystown Lake: S.O.S



## YOU CAN HELP SAVE OUR SHORELINE

### THE PROBLEM

Overnight Use of Raystown Lake continues to grow as more and more people discover Raystown's pristine beauty. Boaters tie up to each other, the shoreline, or both and spend the night. The problem is when those overnight visitors have to "go", many times they leave their waste on the shoreline. That's:

*Unsanitary A Potential  
Unsightly for Disease  
Environmental Hazard*

Some boats that stay overnight, including pontoons, don't have the proper sanitation facilities. Tanks that can be pumped or dumped overboard are polluting the water and shoreline. If you care about keeping Raystown Lake beautiful and clean, please encourage others to be properly equipped, or use the park facilities... and if they don't please notify a Ranger by calling:

**814-658-3405 EXT. 0**

### THE SOLUTION = YOU

#### *Your Role:*

If you *PLAN AHEAD* for day activities you will be able to use the facilities provided by the Corps of Engineers at each of the public boat launches.

#### *Your Duty:*

If you plan to spend the night at Raystown Lake, you must have your boat equipped with a sanitation system that includes a toilet and a sealed non-removable tank, the contents of which can only be emptied by vacuum systems. Many boats with factory installed toilets already have sanitation systems, which prevent the discharge of human waste into the lake or onto the shoreline, but many do not.

For more information you can contact the Corps of Engineers, Raystown Lake at:

Raystown Lake Project  
1645 Seven Points Road  
Hesston, PA 16647  
814-658-3405 ext. 0

### THE COSTS



Boats that spend the night on Raystown must have sanitation facilities that cannot be emptied into the lake or onto the shoreline. The Corps of Engineers and the PA Fish & Boat Commission are working together to keep Raystown clean.

If your boat is not properly equipped you:

-  May be asked to leave the lake for the overnight
-  Are subject to:
  -  A fine up to \$5000
  -  Six months in JAIL

*CFR Title 36 sec. 327.12 (a)*

Still wondering if your boat is properly equipped...  
Here's a simple way to tell:  
If there is any way toilet water can be emptied into the lake or onto the shoreline, then you are not allowed to sleep on your boat!