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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers reports some recreation facilities open

FORT WORTH, Texas – The floods of 2007 impacted 24 of the 25 lakes in the Fort Worth District and many recreation sites across Texas. As the Labor Day weekend approaches, the Corps has worked with many volunteer groups to reopen recreation areas. The following are Corps-operated facilities that are open:

- **Bardwell Lake:** Love Park day use area, and High View ,Waxahachie Creek and Mott Parks
- **Belton Lake:** Live Oak Ridge and Belton Lakeview Parks, Miller Springs Environmental Center, Cedar Ridge Park sites 1-15, Turkey Roost group camp area, Cove side and Sunset Pavilions
- **Benbrook Lake:** Holiday Park day use and camping areas, and Bear Creek , Mustang and, Rocky Creek Parks
- **Canyon Lake:** North Park
- **Georgetown Lake:** Cedar Breaks Park - 32 sites open, Jim Hogg Park - 70 sites open, Russell Park 2 reservable group shelters
- **Granger Lake:** Wilson H. Fox and Taylor Parks, camping only
- **Grapevine Lake:** Murrell Park access road
- **Hords Creek Lake:** Campsites at Lakeside and Flatrock Parks and Friendship day use area
- **Lake O' The Pines:** Alley Creek, Brushy Creek , Buckhorn Creek , Johnson Creek, Lakeside, Shady Grove, Hurricane Creek, Cedar Springs and Oak Valley Parks
- **Lavon Lake:** Avalon, East Fork, Collin, Brockdale, Highland, Bratonia, Clear Lake, Ticky Creek, Twin Groves, Elm Creek, Lakeland, Little Ridge, Mallard and Lavonia Parks
- **Lewisville Lake:** Big Sandy boat ramp
- **Navarro Mills Lake:** Liberty Hill, Oak, Pecan Point, Wolf Creek and Brushie Prairie Parks
- **Proctor Lake:** Sowell Creek Park sites 1-30
- **Sam Rayburn Lake:** Ebenezer, Twin Dikes, Mill Creek, San Augustine, Rayburn and Hanks Creek Parks
- **Somerville Lake:** Rocky Creek and Yegua Creek Parks
- **Stillhouse Hollow Lake:** Cedar Gap boat launch
- **Town Bluff Lake:** Sandy Creek and Magnolia Ridge Parks

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Corps facilities open

- **Waco Lake:** Airport Beach, Reynolds Creek, Midway, Koehne, Bosque and Speegleville Parks and Twin Bridges day use area
- **Whitney Lake:** McCown Valley, Cedron, Cedar Creek, Walling Bend, Steele Creek and Soldiers Bluff Parks, Ham Creek and Kimball Bend boat ramps and Lofer's Bend East, West, and day use parks
- **Wright Patman Lake:** Rocky Point, Piney Point, Clear Springs, and Malden Lake Parks

Many recreation facilities are still under water. Final damage assessments will be reported as soon as they are available.

Meanwhile, the Corps is encouraging recreation seekers to practice safety while enjoying the benefits of the great outdoors. Please use extreme caution while in or near the water and:

- Check your boat for all required safety equipment. Visit www.cgaux.org for information on free Vessel Safety Checks.
- Wear a life jacket at all times.
- Leave your alcohol behind. Increase your safety, not your risks!
- Never rely on toys such as inner tubes and water wings to stay afloat.
- Watch your children at all times.
- Don't drink alcohol.
- Don't swim in undesignated swimming areas.
- Beware of how deep the water is. Drop off points and underwater hazards are everywhere.
- Avoid swimming in stagnant water.
- Three BSs of Boating - Boat Safe, Boat Smart, Boat Sober.

The Corps offers this final thought: Please make your visit to any recreation area a safe and enjoyable one. And remember, water safety saves lives.

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