



# U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS BALTIMORE DISTRICT Jennings Randolph Lake

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### Corps Site is a Top 25 Fishing Spot

**Jennings Randolph Lake, W.Va.** – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers’ North Branch Potomac River tail waters at Jennings Randolph Lake has been selected by ReserveAmerica as one of America’s “Top 25 Fishing Spots” for 2006.

ReserveAmerica is North America’s leading camping reservation provider servicing agencies such as the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Forest Service and the National Park Service. Each year, they select America’s Top Outdoor Locations in various categories for their prestigious Outdoor Recreation Award. The “Top 25 Fishing Spots” were selected based on optimal availability and fish variety while achieving impeccable water quality and conditions.

“Fishing is quickly becoming one of the most popular attractions at the project,” said Jan Gonzales, Operations Project Manager. “This area provides a variety of fishing opportunities in a relaxed and unspoiled environment.”

Trout fishing is available to anglers year round with no closed season. One of the primary lake purposes is to provide a measure of water quality control in the river downstream of the dam. An agreement with the Maryland Department of Natural Resources led to the establishment of trout rearing pens that have made the North Branch of the Potomac River one of the premier trout streams on the East Coast and is a trout fisherman’s dream.

It is one of the few eastern rivers that are inhabited by cutthroat as well as brown, rainbow and brook trout. Anglers fortunate enough to land all four species have bragging rights to the only “Grand Slam” in eastern fly fishing. In a testament to the Corps’ commitment to improving water quality below the dam, the tail waters now boast three Maryland State trout records.

For more information, call (304) 355-2346 or visit [www.nab.usace.army.mil/recreation/jenran.htm](http://www.nab.usace.army.mil/recreation/jenran.htm).

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