

Planning Division Public Notice

Stillwater Lake Project Master Plan Update and Environmental Assessment

All Interested Parties: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Baltimore District (USACE-Baltimore) is in the process of updating the Master Plan (MP) and preparing an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Stillwater Lake Project (hereafter "Stillwater Lake Project" or "Stillwater Lake") located on the Lackawanna River in Susquehanna County, Pennsylvania. The update of the master plan will be in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, the January 2013 updates to the Engineer Regulation (ER) and Engineering Pamphlet (EP), and the November 2015 policy memorandum revision to ER and EP 1130-2-550 Master Plans.

The Stillwater Lake Project was first authorized by the Flood Control Act of August 18, 1941, Public Law #77-228, 77th Congress, and is described in House Document No. 702. Stillwater Lake is a multipurpose water resources project constructed and operated by USACE, Baltimore District and was completed in 1960. This Master Plan considers all USACE-managed and maintained portions of land at Stillwater Lake. It does not consider specific future development opportunities for leased areas, including the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission boat launch and parking area.

The draft MP and EA are anticipated to be publicly released in 2025 for review and comment. The purpose of this notice is to inform the public of the initiation of the preparation of an EA for the Stillwater Lake Master Plan update. We request that federal and state agencies provide information concerning interests within your organization's area of responsibility or expertise, and the public provide information that may be pertinent to this assessment. The agencies and public can provide comments or information to the address listed below.

A public review comment period will be held after completion of the draft documents to allow opportunity for the public and agencies to submit comments and feedback on the Draft Master Plan and Draft EA. All updates regarding the Master Plan Update and public comment periods may be found on the following site: https://www.nab.usace.army.mil/missions/dams-recreation/stillwater-lake/stillwater-lake-master-plan/

Please provide questions and any feedback to Melanie Mathesz at <u>Melanie.K.Mathesz@usace.army.mil</u> by September 19, 2024. Additionally, questions and comments may be mailed to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Planning Division, Subject: Stillwater Lake Project, 2 Hopkins Plaza, Baltimore, MD 21201.