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## Corps Announces R. Shaefer Heard Day Use Park and West Point Dam Road Will Be Closed

**MOBILE, Ala.** – The US Army Corps of Engineers, West Point Project Office announces R. Shaefer Heard Day Use Park and the road across West Point Dam will be closed to all vehicular traffic, Sunday, June 12, from 7 a.m. until 1 p.m., for the 8th Annual West Point Lake Triathlon.

Georgia Multisports Productions, [www.gamultisports.com](http://www.gamultisports.com), will host the event at R. Shaefer Heard Day Use Park. This sporting event involves three activities: swimming, bicycling, and running. All three activities will be staged from the R. Shaefer Heard Day Use Park boat ramp area. The event will begin at 7:30 a.m., and will end at approximately 1 p.m., Eastern Standard Time.

Visitors to R. Shaefer Heard Day Use Park will be asked to vacate the area no later than 6 p.m., Saturday, June 11, so that event coordinators can prepare for Sunday's Triathlon. **The boat launching ramps in R. Shaefer Heard Day Use Park will be closed Friday night, all day Saturday and Sunday, June 10-12, and will reopen following the event Sunday afternoon.** The park will remain closed until the event concludes on Sunday. The park and road across the dam will reopen following the event. Closure of the park and roadway across the dam is necessary for the safety and security of the Triathlon participants.

Spectators should plan to arrive at the park no later than 7:15 a.m., Sunday. Spectator vehicles will not be permitted into the area after 7:30 a.m. Volunteers will be on site to direct visitors to designated parking areas. Other visitors affected by this event may choose to utilize Long Cane Park on the Georgia side and/or Anderson Park on the Alabama side of the lake. Both parks offer boat launching ramps, picnic facilities, pavilions and restrooms. For more information please contact the West Point Project Manager's Office at 706-645-2937.

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