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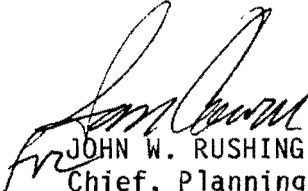
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Subject Master Plan is approved.

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MEMORANDUM FOR* Commander, South Atlantic Division, ATTN: CESAD-PD-R

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1. Reference is made to SAD 1st Endorsement dated 14 December 1981 of letter dated 14 September 1981, Subject: Secondary Submittal, Master Plan Update, Lake Sidney Lanier, GA.
2. The comments of the referenced endorsement have been incorporated in this Final Master Plan submittal.
3. Approval of this Design Memorandum is recommended.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

- 2 Encls
1. Master Plan Vol. I (7 cys)
 2. Master Plan Vol II (7 cys)



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This volume represents the design results of individual recreation areas by considering and evaluating all data inventory, data analysis, and resource use objectives. Area plans illustrated here, are presented in conjunction with area resource composite drawings in order to illustrate optimum utilization of project features and resources.

In the pages that follow, descriptions of each individual recreation area (areas with developed facilities) are presented in outline form to provide a clear and concise representation of pertinent site factors such as location, access, natural resource characteristics, existing and proposed facilities, renovation program efforts (rehabilitation) and design intent.

All area plans and composite analyses follow the area descriptions.

**AREA
DESCRIPTIONS**

Buford Dam Park (PLATE 2)

Site Data

Location: Gwinnett County

Lakeshore Location Number: 3180

Access: Buford Dam Road

Operator and/or Lessee: Gwinnett County

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 166 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 27 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 139 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located adjacent to the damsite east bank area. It has primarily steep terrain consisting of rolling land that is generally open in character. Vegetation is hardwood/pine and mixed hardwood cover. The area is suited for moderately intense development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

The intent of the 1965 Master Plan was for this area to be operated as a major day use facility. Proposed development in this area will include additional day use facilities.

Site Carrying Capacity

The total area can accommodate more development if that is dispersed. All facilities allocated to the area can be developed with minimal impact.

East Bank (PLATE 3)

Site Data

Location: Gwinnett County

Lakeshore Location Number: 3180

Access: Buford Dam Road

Operator and/or Lessee: Gwinnett County

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 23 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 5 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 18 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located just to the east of the dam between Buford Dam Park and Lanier Park. The terrain is moderately sloping with dense vegetation. The area is suitable for moderately intense development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

It was originally intended for this to be a day use area with picnicking and boat launching facilities. This is the way the area is now used. No further development is proposed.

Site Carrying Capacity

The area easily accommodates the existing development with minimal impact. No additional facilities are proposed even though the area could accommodate a limited number of expanded facilities.

Lanier Park (PLATE 3)

Site Data

Location: Gwinnett County
Lakeshore Location Number: 3168
Access: Buford Dam Road
Operator and/or Lessee: Gwinnett County
Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use
Total Land Area - - - - - 29 Acres
Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 9 Acres
Net - Usable Land - - - - - 20 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located about one mile above the dam on the east bank of the lake. It is essentially a long, narrow peninsula with an irregular shoreline. The terrain is characterized by moderately sloping land rising to elevation 1100. The area is sparsely wooded with pine/hardwood and upland hardwood cover. The area is well suited for moderate to highly intense development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

It was originally intended for this to be a day use area with picnicking, swimming, and boat launching facilities. This is the way the area is now being utilized. Proposed development includes additional day use facilities.

Site Carrying Capacity

All of the present facilities allocated to the area were developed with minimal impact. The area is able to absorb additional expansion of facilities should the need be identified. With the proposed development, the area will be at capacity.

Gwinnett County Park (PLATE 3)

Site Data

Location: Gwinnett County
Lakeshore Location Number: 3162
Access: Buford Dam Road
Operator and/or Lessee: Gwinnett County
Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use
Total Land Area - - - - - 23 Acres
Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 11 Acres
Net - Usable Land - - - - - 12 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located about 1.5 miles above the dam on the east bank of the lake. It is a moderately sloping area that rises to elevation 1150. Vegetation is dense. The area is only suited for low intense development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

It was originally intended for this to be a day use area with picnicking and boat launching facilities. This is the way the area has historically been utilized. Proposed development includes additional day use facilities such as picnicking.

Site Carrying Capacity

The present and proposed low-intensive use level of development is compatible with the environmental constraints of the area. The area can easily absorb the limited number of proposed additional facilities recommended. Should the need be identified, the area can be expanded.

Shoal Creek Campground (PLATE 5)

Site Data

Location: Hall County
Lakeshore Location Number: 3080
Access: Shadburn Ferry Road
Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers
Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use
Total Land Area - - - - - 178 Acres
Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 65 Acres
Net - Usable Land - - - - - 113 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located about 3 miles above the dam on the east bank of the lake just to the south of Lake Lanier Islands. Shoal Creek terrain ranges from moderately flat to moderate to steep slopes along the shoreline. The character of the area is primarily a large peninsula consisting of rolling woodland which rises to elevation 1,160. Vegetative cover is hardwood with pine/hardwood stands. The capability to support development ranges from moderate use intensity to restrictive use.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

This area was originally intended as a camping area and has remained as such with the addition of more overnight facilities under the consolidation--closure program. There are also boat launching and beach facilities for the campers' use. Additional facilities will include more camping units.

Site Carrying Capacity

The present level of development is compatible with the environmental constraints of the area. The area can easily accommodate expansion of facilities should the need be determined. All facilities allocated to the area can be developed with minimal impact.

Little Shoal Creek (PLATE 5)

Site Data

Location: Hall County

Lakeshore Location Number: 3068

Access: Shadburn Ferry Road

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 5 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 1 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 4 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located 3 miles above the dam on the east bank of the lake and is contiguous with Shoal Creek campground. It is composed of gently sloping land with vegetation consisting of pine/hardwood. Due to its small size, it is suited only for limited development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

The area was originally intended to be a day use area and was developed as such with picnicking and boat launching facilities. Under the rehabilitation program the picnic facilities were relocated to other areas. The area now has only boat launching facilities. No further development is proposed.

Site Carrying Capacity

The present level of development is compatible with the environmental constraints of the area and meets local demand. No additional facilities are needed in this area.

Lake Lanier Islands (PLATE 6)

Site Data

Location: Hall County

Lakeshore Location Number: N/A

Access:

Operator and/or Lessee:

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 1,101 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - -

Net - Usable Land - - - - -

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located about 3 miles above the dam on the east bank of the lake. It is basically a large island, lying at the end of a long peninsula with a highly irregular shoreline forming numerous secondary peninsulas. The island is connected to the mainland by a causeway. The area is characteristically scenic being composed of a series of undulating hills and valleys rising to an elevation of 1,200. The vegetation is densely wooded.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

The islands are operated as a multi-use resort area as set forth in the Master Plan developed by the Lake Lanier Islands Development Authority. Existing activities consist of camping and picnicking facilities as well as accommodations for overnight cottages and beach facilities. The immediate proposed plans include the addition of a golf course, a conference center/lodge complex, a water park and more beach area. With the addition of these facilities, the islands are expected to become a self-sufficient multi-use recreation complex.

Site Carrying Capacity

The present use as a multi-purpose day use park should continue and use should not change. The demand analysis indicates that present and future needs are expected to be met.

Big Creek Access Point (PLATE 7)

Site Data

Location: Hall County
 Lakeshore Location Number: 3925
 Access: State Route 347
 Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers
 Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use
 Total Land Area - - - - - 25 Acres
 Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 9 Acres
 Net - Usable Land - - - - - 16 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located about 6.5 miles above the dam on the east bank of the lake. It is moderately wooded with rather steep land which rises to elevation 1130. Vegetation consists of pine/hardwood with some grassy areas. This area is suited for moderate development due to slope limitations.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

The 1965 Master Plan intended for this to be a mixed use area with both picnicking and camping. This is the way it was operated until the camping facilities were relocated under the rehabilitation program. The area is now entirely day use with picnicking and boat launching facilities. Proposed development will be the addition of more day use facilities such as picnicking and swimming.

Site Carrying Capacity

The present level of development is compatible with the environmental constraints of the area. However, additional picnic facilities could be accommodated as shown on the Master Plan.

Burton Mill Access Point (PLATE 8)

Site Data

Location: Hall County

Lakeshore Location Number: 2992

Access: Access Road from U.S. 23

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 35 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 10 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 25 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located about 6 miles above the dam on the east bank of the lake. The area is relatively flat with steep slopes near the shoreline. The area is heavily wooded with vegetative cover consisting of pine and upland hardwoods. Due to its flatness and moderate soil conditions, this area is suitable for intense development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

The 1965 Master Plan intended for this area to consist of both day and overnight use facilities. This is the way the area was used until recent rehabilitation efforts under the consolidation/closure program relocated the camping facilities. The area is now all day use. Proposed facilities include additional picnic facilities.

Site Carrying Capacity

The present level of development is compatible with the environmental constraints of the area. However, the area will also be able to absorb a major future day use expansion, should the need be identified.

Van Pugh Park (PLATE 9)

Site Data

Location: Hall County
Lakeshore Location Number: 2948
Access: U.S. Highway 23
Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers
Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use
Total Land Area - - - - - 20 Acres
Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 5 Acres
Net - Usable Land - - - - - 15 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located about 6 miles above the dam on the east bank of the lake. The area consists of two peninsulas which are separated by private homesites. The terrain is moderately sloping and highly suited for moderately intense development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

The intent was to originally make this area both a day use and overnight use facility. This is the way the facilities were constructed, with day use and overnight use being separated by the configuration of the area. Under the rehabilitation program the campground has been enlarged. Proposed development includes more overnight and day use facilities such as picnicking, boat launching and swimming.

Site Carrying Capacity

This area easily accommodates the existing high-use intensity development. It can readily accommodate the limited number of proposed additional facilities recommended. The area will be at capacity with the proposed development and should not be expanded further.

Chestnut Ridge Park (PLATE 10)

Site Data

Location: Hall County

Lakeshore Location Number: 2926

Access: 2 Miles from U.S. 23

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 106 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 26 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 80 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located about 7 miles above the dam on the east bank of the lake. It consists of densely wooded land on a long, narrow peninsula which rises gently to elevation 1,140. Vegetation is pine and hardwood stands. Since the area is flat to moderately sloping with desirable soils, it is highly suitable for intense development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

Chestnut Ridge was originally used as a mixed use area containing both day and overnight facilities. Under the consolidation--closure program, the picnic facilities were relocated and more camping was added. Proposed development includes more camping facilities and additional beaches.

Site Carrying Capacity

The present level of development is compatible with the environmental constraints of the area. As shown on the Master Plan, the area can easily accommodate additional facilities. All facilities allocated to the area can be developed with minimal impact.

Flowery Branch Park (PLATE 11)

Site Data

Location: Hall County

Lakeshore Location Number: 2878

Access: McEver Road

Operator and/or Lessee: City of Flowery Branch

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 6 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 1 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 5 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located about 8.5 miles above the dam on the east bank of the lake adjacent to Starboard Marina. It has varying slopes rising to elevation 1150. The vegetative cover is sparse. The area is suitable for moderately intense development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

The area was originally intended to be developed as a camping facility in conjunction with the Marina Operation. However, picnic facilities were constructed instead. Proposed development calls for additional day use facilities.

Site Carrying Capacity

The present and proposed low-intensive use level of development is compatible with the environmental constraints of the area. A limited number of additional facilities can easily be accommodated as shown on the Master Plan. The area will be at capacity with the proposed development and should not be expanded further.

Starboard Marina Park (PLATE 11)

Site Data

Location: Hall County

Lakeshore Location Number: 2878

Access: McEver Road

Operator and/or Lessee: Marina Operator

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 20 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 9 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 11 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located about 8.5 miles above the dam on the east bank of the lake adjacent to Starboard Marina. The terrain has varying slopes that rise to elevation 1150. The vegetation is sparse. The area is suited for moderately intense development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

The original intent was to make this an overnight use area. However, there is no development existing now. Proposed development is for overnight use facilities.

Site Carrying Capacity

All of the proposed facilities allocated to the area can be developed with minimal impact. These facilities could be easily accommodated as shown on the Master Plan. The area will be at capacity with the recommended development and should not be expanded further.

Aqualand Park (PLATE 12)

Site Data

Location: Hall County

Lakeshore Location Number: 2830

Access: McEver Road

Operator and/or Lessee: Hall County

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 76 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 21 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 55 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located 8.5 miles above the dam on the east bank of the lake. It is located adjacent to Aqualand Marina and is essentially a large peninsula. The terrain is moderately sloping and rises to elevation 1140. Vegetative cover is dense. The area is well suited for moderately intense development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

It was originally intended for this area to be developed as a day use area. The area is now undeveloped. Proposed development includes both day use and overnight facilities to compliment the marina facilities.

Site Carrying Capacity

All of the proposed facilities allocated to the area can be developed with minimal impact. These facilities could be easily accommodated as shown on the Master Plan. The area will be at capacity with the recommended development and should not be expanded further.

Old Federal Park (PLATE 13)

Site Data

Location: Hall County

Lakeshore Location Number: 2770

Access: McEver Road

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 64 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 12 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 52 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located about 9 miles above the dam on the east bank of the lake. The area is at the end of a prominent peninsula protruding into the lake forming a series of smaller peninsulas. Characteristically, the area is sparsely wooded, rolling land that rises to elevation 1,140. Vegetative cover is primarily pines. With its moderately flat slopes and most desirable to moderately desirable soils, this area is suitable for intensive development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

The intention of the 1965 Master Plan was to provide both day use and overnight use for this area. The area continues to be operated this way with the day use and overnight activities physically separated from each other by the configuration of the site. Facilities in this park also include boat launching and several beaches. The area was rehabilitated with the addition of more camping facilities. Future development will consist of additional campsites.

Site Carrying Capacity

Currently the carrying capacity of this small area has not been reached. The area can easily accommodate more facilities and can be expanded to absorb future demand should the need be determined.

Balus Creek Access Point (PLATE 15)

Site Data

Location: Hall County
Lakeshore Location Number: 2674
Access: Star Route 369
Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers
Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use
Total Land Area - - - - - 30 Acres
Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 17 Acres
Net - Usable Land - - - - - 13 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located 12 miles above the dam on the east bank of the lake. The area is small and is covered by pine and upland hardwood with moderately sloping terrain. Primarily the area consists of a knoll which slopes down to the water. Only limited development can be handled in this area.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

This area is intended for day users which includes picnickers and boaters. Any future development will consist of additional day use facilities.

Site Carrying Capacity

The area can accommodate the limited number of expanded picnic facilities recommended. No further development can be absorbed by the area.

Mountain View Access Point (PLATE 17)

Site Data

Location: Hall County
Lakeshore Location Number: 2600
Access: County Road 39B, State Route 141
Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers
Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use
Total Land Area - - - - - 52 Acres
Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 32 Acres
Net - Usable Land - - - - - 20 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located 11.5 miles above the dam on the east bank of the lake. It is primarily a large peninsula with a very irregular shoreline. The terrain is steep to very steep and rises rapidly to elevation 1180. The vegetation is dense and consists of pines and pine/hardwoods. The area is only suitable for low intensive development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

The intent of the 1965 Master Plan was to use this area as a day use facility. This area was being utilized as a mixed use area with both day use and overnight facilities. Under the rehabilitation program, camping was removed. It is now all day use.

Site Carrying Capacity

The present and proposed development is compatible with the environmental constraints of the area. The area can easily accommodate more facilities and can be expanded to absorb future demand should the need be determined. It would be a major day use park at full development.

River Forks Park (PLATE 19)

Site Data

Location: Hall County

Lakeshore Location Number: 2520

Access: State Route 369

Operator and/or Lessee: Hall County

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 108 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 87 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 21 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located 14.5 miles above the dam on the east bank of the lake. It is composed of gently rolling hills with moderate to steep slopes. The area is primarily a large peninsula which is covered by mature pine/hardwood and successional clearings. It is suited for moderately intense development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

It was the intent of the 1965 Master Plan to develop this area as a day use and overnight use area. The area is currently being developed this way by the leasee. When construction is completed the area will be totally developed.

Site Carrying Capacity

The present use as a major multi-use park leased to Hall County should continue. Proposed additional development should not change. The demand analysis indicates that there is a present and future need for these activities.

Gainesville Park (PLATE 20)

Site Data

Location: Hall County

Lakeshore Location Number: 2484

Access: Highway 369

Operator and/or Lessee: City of Gainesville

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 66 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 49 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 17 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located about 16.5 miles above the dam on the east bank of the lake. Primarily, the area is composed of hilly land which rises sharply to elevation 1200. Vegetation consists of dense pine tree cover. Development at this area can be moderately intense.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

It was the intention of the 1965 Master Plan to develop this area as a major multi-use facility. Proposed development plans call for a day-use park with picnicking facilities, an amphitheater and tennis courts. Land acquisition will be required to obtain access to this area. There is no existing development at this area.

Site Carrying Capacity

The proposed use as a multi-purpose day use park leased to the City of Gainesville should be developed as such. The demand analysis indicates a present and future need for the facilities in this area.

Lanier Point (PLATE 21)

Site Data

Location: Hall County

Lakeshore Location Number: 2450

Access: State Route 53

Operator and/or Lessee: City of Gainesville

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 74 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 19 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 55 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located about 17.5 miles above the dam near the town of Gainesville. It is composed of two long narrow peninsulas. The terrain is moderately to steeply sloped and rises to elevation 1150. Vegetative cover consists of pine, pine/hardwood and upland hardwoods. The area is suitable for moderately intense development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

The intent of the 1965 Master Plan was to develop this area as a municipal park. The area is now under construction and will include day use facilities such as picnic shelters, boat launching, and baseball fields. Once constructed the area will be fully developed.

Site Carrying Capacity

The present use as a multi-purpose day use park leased to the City of Gainesville should continue. Proposed development should not change. The demand analysis indicates that there is a present and future need for these activities.

Longwood Park (PLATE 23)

Site Data

Location: Hall County

Lakeshore Location Number: 2380

Access:

Operator and/or Lessee: City of Gainesville

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 29 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 11 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 18 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located about ____ miles above the dam on the east bank of the lake. The area is long and narrow located adjacent to the western edge of the City of Gainesville. The terrain is gentle and the vegetative cover is moderate. The area is highly suited for intense development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

The area was originally intended to be a major day use park for the City of Gainesville. There have been some picnic facilities constructed. Proposed development calls for a major day use park.

Site Carrying Capacity

The proposed use as a multi-purpose day use area should be followed. The demand analysis indicates that there is a present and future need for these types of facilities. These facilities could be developed with minimal impact as shown on the Master Plan.

Dogwood Park (PLATE 23)

Site Data

Location: Hall County

Lakeshore Location Number: 2335

Access:

Operator and/or Lessee: City of Gainesville

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 12 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 6 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 6 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located about 25.5 miles above the dam on the east bank of the lake. The terrain is characterized by rather steep land that rises sharply to elevation 1170. Vegetative cover is sparse with the area being essentially open. The area is suited for moderately intense development, but is limited by its size.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

Original plans proposed that this area be used for picnicking. There is no development there now. Proposed plans call for day use facilities.

Site Carrying Capacity

The proposed use as a day use area leased to the City of Gainesville should be followed. The demand analysis indicates that there is a present and future need for these activities.

Longstreet Bridge Park (PLATE 23)

Site Data

Location: Hall County

Lakeshore Location Number: 2004

Access: U.S. Highway 129

Operator and/or Lessee: Georgia Department of Transportation

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 3 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 2 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 1 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located about 27 miles above the dam on the west bank of the lake. The terrain rises rather steeply from normal pool to elevation 1120. Vegetation is sparse. The area is suited only for low intensive development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

It was the original intention to develop this area as a roadside park with picnic facilities. Proposed development includes additional picnic facilities.

Site Carrying Capacity

The proposed use as a roadside park leased to the Georgia Department of Transportation should continue. The demand analysis indicates that there is a present and future need for these facilities.

Holly Park (PLATE 24)

Site Data

Location: Hall County

Lakeshore Location Number: 2354

Access: State Route 115

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 27 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 13 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 14 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located 22.5 miles above the dam on the east bank of the lake. It is basically a peninsula with terrain that is moderately sloping. Vegetative cover is sparse being composed of pine/hardwood and upland hardwood. The area is suited for highly intense development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

The area was originally intended to be a major day use park. There has been the construction of some facilities, but most of the area remains undeveloped. Proposed development calls for more day use facilities.

Site Carrying Capacity

The proposed use as a multi-purpose day use park leased to the City of Gainesville should be followed. The area should be totally developed. The demand analysis indicates that there is a present and future need for these activities.

Clarks Bridge Access Point (PLATE 25)

Site Data

Location: Hall County

Lakeshore Location Number: 2044

Access: State Route 284

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 16 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 4 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 12 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located 28.5 miles above the dam on the west bank of the lake. It consists of moderately flat land covered by young and mature pine. There are large grassy areas. This area is suitable for intense development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

The intent of the 1965 Master Plan was for this to be a day use area. However, it was used as a campground until the recent rehabilitation effort relocated the camping facilities to other areas. It is now an all day use area consisting of picnicking and boat launching facilities. Proposed development will consist of additional day use facilities.

Site Carrying Capacity

The present low-intensive use level of development is compatible with the environmental constraints of the area. Additional day use facilities could be accommodated as shown on the Master Plan. However, the area will be at capacity with the recommended development and should not be expanded further.

Belton Bridge (PLATE 26)

Site Data

Location: Hall County

Lakeshore Location Number: 2182

Access: State Route 283

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 34 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 8 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 26 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located at the extreme north end of the lake, approximately 41 miles above the dam. The area borders two sides of the Chattahoochee River and is mostly open level land. Vegetative cover is pine/hardwood with some river birch. The area is suited for limited development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

The intent of the 1965 Master Plan was to construct this area as day use. There now exists boat launching facilities. Proposed development will include picnic facilities and more boat ramp parking. A canoe landing with parking will be provided.

Site Carrying Capacity

The present and proposed level of development is compatible with the environmental constraints of the area. No additional facilities will be accommodated.

Lula Park (PLATE 26)

Site Data

Location: Hall County

Lakeshore Location Number: 2134

Access: State Route 52

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 6 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 3 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 3 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located near the upper end of the Chattahoochee arm of the lake, about 39.5 miles above the dam. The park consists primarily of flat terrain with steep banks on either side. Vegetative cover is pine. The area is small and is well suited for limited facility development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

The design intent of the area is for day use. There now exists boat launching facilities. Proposed development includes ramp parking and a canoe landing with parking spaces.

Site Carrying Capacity

The present and proposed level of development is compatible with the environmental constraints of the area. No further development is to be accommodated.

Laurel Park (PLATE 27)

Site Data

Location: Hall County
Lakeshore Location Number: 2021
Access: State Route 129
Operator and/or Lessee: Hall County
Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use
Total Land Area - - - - - 130 Acres
Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 51 Acres
Net - Usable Land - - - - - 79 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located 27.5 miles above the dam on the west bank of the lake. It is primarily an elongated peninsula consisting of relatively hilly land with terrain that rises unevenly to elevation 1150. Vegetative cover consists of young pines, mature pines, and hardwood. The area is suitable for moderately intense development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

It was the intent of the 1965 Master Plan to develop this area as a large municipal parking area containing both day use and overnight facilities. The area is currently being utilized as a day use park with picnicking, boating, and play fields. Proposed development includes additional day use facilities.

Site Carrying Capacity

The present and proposed use as a multi-purpose day use park leased to Hall County should continue. The demand analysis indicates that there is a present and future need for these activities.

Little River Access Point (PLATE 28)

Site Data

Location: Hall County

Lakeshore Location Number: 1980

Access: State Route 11

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 23 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 6 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 17 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located 25 miles above the dam on the east bank of the Little River arm of the lake. It is a flat to moderately sloping area, rising to elevation 1120. The area is heavily wooded with vegetative cover consisting primarily of pine. The area is suited for moderately intense development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

It was the intention of the 1965 Master Plan to develop this area as a multi-use facility with both day use and overnight accommodations. The area was developed providing picnicking, boating facilities, and camping. Under the rehabilitation program, the camping was relocated to other areas. This area is now all day use.

Site Carrying Capacity

The present and proposed low intensive use level of development is compatible with the environmental constraints of the area. A limited number of future day use facilities can be accommodated as shown on the Master Plan.

Wahoo Creek Access Point (PLATE 29)

Site Data

Location: Hall County
 Lakeshore Location Number: 1821
 Access: State Route 283
 Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers
 Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use
 Total Land Area - - - - - 14 Acres
 Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 6 Acres
 Net - Usable Land - - - - - 8 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located 27 miles above the dam on the west bank of the Wahoo Creek arm of the lake. The terrain is moderately sloped and is covered by pine and upland hardwood. The area is highly suited for moderately intense development, but is limited by its size.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

The area was originally intended to be a day use facility and this is the way it has historically been used. Proposed development includes additional day use facilities such as picnicking.

Site Carrying Capacity

The present and proposed low-intensive use level of development is compatible with the environmental constraints of the area. The area is primarily a boat launching facility but can easily accommodate the limited number of proposed day use facilities. All facilities allocated to the area can be developed with minimal impact.

Thompson Bridge Access Point (PLATE 30)

Site Data

Location: Hall County

Lakeshore Location Number: 1777

Access: State Route 60

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 31 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 8 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 23 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located about 23.5 miles above the dam on the west bank of the lake. The terrain is moderate to steep sloping with vegetation consisting of mature pines. The area is highly suitable for intense development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

It was the intention of the 1965 Master Plan to develop this area as a marina. The area was developed as a boat launching facility. Proposed development is intended for this area to be all day use.

Site Carrying Capacity

The present and proposed low-intensive use level of development is compatible with the environmental constraints of the area. A limited number of proposed day use facilities could be accomplished with minimal impact as shown on the Master Plan. The area would be at capacity with the proposed development.

Sardis Creek Access Point (PLATE 32)

Site Data

Location: Hall County
 Lakeshore Location Number: 1702
 Access: State Route 53
 Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers
 Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use
 Total Land Area - - - - - 34 Acres
 Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 9 Acres
 Net - Usable Land - - - - - 25 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located 21 miles above the dam on the west bank of the Chattahoochee River arm of the lake. The area is at the end of a peninsula and is composed of moderately flat terrain. Vegetative cover consists of pine/hardwood. The area is suited to intense development but is limited due to its size.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

The 1965 Master Plan intended for this to be a multi-use area containing both day use and overnight facilities. The area was developed as a day use area and continues to be operated as such. Proposed development includes additional day use facilities.

Site Carrying Capacity

The present and proposed low-intensive use level of development is compatible with the environmental constraints of the area. The area can easily be expanded to accommodate more facilities as shown on the Master Plan. However, the area will be at capacity with the proposed development.

Simpson Access Point (PLATE 33)

Site Data

Location: Hall County

Lakeshore Location Number: 1664

Access:

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 11 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 5 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 6 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located 20 miles above the dam on the west bank of the Chattahoochee River arm of the lake. The terrain rises sharply to elevation 1120. Vegetative cover is dense. The area is suitable for moderately intense development, but is limited by its small size.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

It was the intention to develop this area as a multi-use facility containing both day and overnight use. Historically, the area has been used as a day use area. Proposed development calls for the removal of all picnic facilities which will leave only boat launching facilities. No other future development is proposed.

Site Carrying Capacity

The present low-intensive use level of development is compatible with the environmental constraints of the area. The area is ideal for boat launching and no other further development is needed.

Robinson Park (PLATE 34)

Site Data

Location: Forsyth/Hall County
Lakeshore Location Number: 1628
Access: State Route 53
Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers
Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use
Total Land Area - - - - - 46 Acres
Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 27 Acres
Net - Usable Land - - - - - 19 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located about 6 miles above the dam on the west bank of the Chattahoochee arm of the lake. It is a moderate to steeply sloping area covered with upland hardwoods and pine. The area is suitable for moderately intense development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

This area was designated in the 1965 Master Plan as a multiple use area for camping, picnicking and boat launching. Existing development is minimal. Proposed use is for day use only for picnicking and boat launching.

Site Carrying Capacity

The present level of development is compatible with the environmental constraints of the area and meets local demand. Additional facilities could be accommodated as shown on the Master Plan.

Davis Bridge Access Point (65 M.P. Area) (PLATE 35)

Site Data

Location: Forsyth and Hall Counties

Lakeshore Location Number: 1606

Access: State Route 53

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 31 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 13 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 18 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located about 15.5 miles above the dam on the east bank of the Chestatee arm of the lake. It is a gently sloping area which makes it suitable for intense development. The vegetative cover consists of pine and pine/hardwood.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

This area was identified in the 1965 Master Plan with the intent being to develop it as both a day use and overnight area. However, there is no development there now. Proposed development is to make it a day use area with picnicking and boat launching facilities.

Site Carrying Capacity

All facilities allocated to the area can be developed with minimal impact. The proposed level of development is compatible with the environmental constraints of the area. The facilities can easily be accommodated as shown on the Master Plan.

Duckett Mill Access Point (PLATE 36)

Site Data

Location: Hall County

Lakeshore Location Number: 1574

Access: State Route 53

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 19 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 5 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 14 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located 17 miles above the dam on the east bank of the Chestatee River arm of the lake. Primarily, it is on an irregularly shaped, long, narrow peninsula that is moderately to steeply sloping along the ridgeline. The area is densely wooded with vegetative cover being predominantly pine with some hardwood/pine and open fields. The area is suitable for moderately intense development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

The area is being utilized as a multi-use area consisting of both day use and overnight facilities. However, there is a physical separation of activities with a control station. Proposed development will include additional camping.

Site Carrying Capacity

The area can easily accommodate the proposed high-intensive use proposed and can be developed with minimal impact. However, the area will be at capacity with the recommended development and should not be expanded further.

Little Hall Park (PLATE37)

Site Data

Location: Hall County

Lakeshore Location Number: 1542

Access: State Route 53

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 37 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 9 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 28 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is about 14.5 miles above the dam on the west bank of the lake. It is basically a peninsula with an irregular shoreline consisting of moderately flat land that rises to elevation 1140. The vegetative cover is primarily hardwood. The area is well suited for intensive use.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

The 1965 Master Plan intended for this area to be developed as a multi-use area with both day use and overnight accommodations. Historically, the area has been used as a day use area. Proposed development includes additional day use facilities.

Site Carrying Capacity

The present and proposed level of development is compatible with the environmental constraints of the area. The area can easily accommodate more facilities and can be expanded to absorb future demand should the need be determined. It would be a major day use park at full development.

Bolling Bridge Park (PLATE 37)

Site Data

Location: Dawson County

Lakeshore Location Number: 854

Access: U.S. Highway 306

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers and Georgia
Department of Transportation

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 12 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 5 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 7 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located about 14.5 miles above the dam on the west bank of the lake. The terrain is moderately sloping, rising to elevation 1120. The vegetation is moderately dense. The area is suitable for moderately intense development, but is limited by its size.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

It was originally intended to make this an intense picnicking area. There have been some picnic facilities constructed here. Proposed development is to make this an all day use picnicking area with the addition of more facilities.

Site Carrying Capacity

The proposed use to make this a highly developed day use area should be followed. The demand analysis indicates a need for these types of facilities. All facilities allocated to the area can be developed with minimal impact.

Bolling Mill Campground (PLATE 39)

Site Data

Location: Hall County

Lakeshore Location Number: 1430

Access: See Route 141

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 74 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 19 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 55 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located on the Chestatee Arm of the lake about 20 miles above the dam, across the lake just to the east of Warhill Park. Basically, Bolling Mill is a series of peninsulas with an irregular shoreline. The area is relatively flat terrain, sparsely wooded with young pine and some pine/hardwood vegetation. With its slight slopes and slight to moderate soil limitation, this area is highly suitable for intense development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

Bolling Mill was originally intended to be constructed as multi-use area providing for both day and overnight activities. But due to current planning and operation objectives this area has undergone rehabilitation under the consolidation and separation of activities program. The existing day use facilities were converted to camping and the area was developed providing for a controlled overnight use area. Proposed development calls for additional camping facilities.

Site Carrying Capacity

The area can accommodate the limited number of expanded camping facilities recommended. However, the area will be at capacity with the recommended development.

Nix Bridge Access Point (PLATE 40)

Site Data

Location: Dawson County

Lakeshore Location Number: 1078

Access: State Route 226

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 15 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 4 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 11 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located 24 miles above the dam on the west bank of the Chestatee River arm of the lake. It is composed of flat to moderately sloping terrain. The area is sparsely wooded consisting of young and mature pines. The area is highly suitable for intense development but is limited by its small size.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

The intent of the 1965 Master Plan was to develop this area as day use. It was developed as a multi-use area containing both day use and camping facilities. Under the rehabilitation program it was converted to all day use. Proposed development includes additional day use facilities.

Site Carrying Capacity

The present low-intensive use level of development is compatible with the environmental constraints of the area. A limited number of additional day use facilities could be accommodated as shown on the Master Plan. The area will be at capacity with the recommended development.

Lumpkin County Park (PLATE 42)

Site Data

Location: Lumpkin County

Lakeshore Location Number: 1162

Access: State Route 9E

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 44 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 11 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 33 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located about 30 miles above the dam on the west bank of the Chestatee arm of the lake. The area consists of terrain that is hilly with land that slopes moderately inland and steeply along the shoreline. Vegetative cover is heavy consisting of pine and upland hardwood. The area is suitable for intense development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

The 1965 Master Plan called for this area to be developed as a day use and camping area. It has been developed and is now being used as a day use area for boat launching only. Proposed development consists of additional day use facilities such as picnicking.

Site Carrying Capacity

The area can easily accommodate the proposed number of facilities recommended and can become a major day use park. The demand analysis indicates that there is a need for facilities on this part of the lake.

Toto Creek Access Point (PLATE 43)

Site Data

Location: Dawson County
Lakeshore Location Number: 1122
Access: State Route 136
Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers
Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use
Total Land Area - - - - - 65 Acres
Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 30 Acres
Net - Usable Land - - - - - 35 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located 27 miles above the dam on the Chestatee arm of the lake. The terrain is moderate to steeply sloping and can be characterized as rolling to hilly. Vegetation is dense and is comprised mainly of pine, upland hardwood and pine/hardwood. The area is only suited for moderate to low intensive use.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

It was originally intended for this area to contain both day and overnight use facilities. The area has been historically used as a day use facility. Proposed development is for this to be an all-camping area.

Site Carrying Capacity

This is a large area that has potential to be developed as a major campground. All the facilities allocated to the area can be developed with minimal impact. The demand analysis indicates a present and future demand for these facilities on this section of the lake. The area will be at capacity with the proposed development.

Thompson Creek Access Point (PLATE 45)

Site Data

Location: Dawson County

Lakeshore Location Number: 1018

Access: State Route 318

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 12 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 3 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 9 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located on the Thompson Creek arm of the lake 26 miles above the dam. The terrain is moderately sloping. Vegetative cover consists of young pines, lowland hardwoods, and grass. The area is suitable for intense development but is limited by its size.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

It was originally intended for this area to be day use with picnicking and boat launching. Boat launching facilities were constructed. No other type of development is proposed.

Site Carrying Capacity

The present low-intensive use level of development is compatible with the environmental constraints of the area. Even though the area could accommodate additional facilities, no further development is proposed.

War Hill Park (PLATE 46)

Site Data

Location: Dawson County
Lakeshore Location Number: 938
Access: State Route 318
Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers
Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use
Total Land Area - - - - - 108 Acres
Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 63 Acres
Net - Usable Land - - - - - 42 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located about 21.5 miles above the dam on the west bank of the Chestatee arm of the lake. The area is composed of two peninsulas with terrain that ranges from moderately sloping to steeply sloping close to the shoreline. Vegetative cover is dense, being composed of young and mature pines, pine/hardwoods and hardwoods. The area is suited for moderately intense development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

The area was originally intended for both day and overnight use and historically this is the way the area has been used. Proposed rehabilitation calls for making this an all camping facility.

Site Carrying Capacity

This area has the potential of being a major campground facility. The area can easily accommodate the proposed facilities and can be expanded to absorb future demand should the need be determined. All facilities allocated to the area can be developed with minimal impact.

Keith Bridge (PLATE 49)

Site Data

Location: Forsyth County
Lakeshore Location Number: 804
Access: Keith Bridge Road
Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers
Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use
Total Land Area - - - - - 25 Acres
Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 6 Acres
Net - Usable Land - - - - - 19 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located 14 miles above the dam on the west bank of the lake. It is a moderately sloping area that is somewhat hilly, forming a large peninsula. Vegetation consists mainly of pine and pine/hardwood cover. The area is well suited for moderately intense development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

The 1965 Master Plan intended for this area to be used as multi-use providing both day and overnight use. This is the way the area has historically been utilized, as a mixed use facility. Under the renovation program it is proposed to make the area and all day use facility providing picnicking, boat launching and a beach.

Site Carrying Capacity

The area can easily accommodate the limited number of day use facilities recommended. The proposed level of development is compatible with the environmental constraints of the area.

Long Hollow Access Point (PLATE 51)

Site Data

Location: Forsyth County

Lakeshore Location Number: 756

Access: Bryant Road

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 29 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 18 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 11 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located 16 miles above the dam on the west bank of the lake. The terrain is flat to moderately sloping and rises to elevation 1130. Vegetative cover consists primarily of pine. The area is not suited for intense development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

The 1965 Master Plan intended for this area to accommodate both day and overnight users. It currently is utilized as a day use area. Proposed development calls for additional day use facilities.

Site Carrying Capacity

This area can easily accommodate more facilities and can be expanded to absorb future demand should the need be determined. All facilities allocated to the area can be developed with minimal impact. However, the area will be at capacity with the recommended development and should not be expanded further.

Athens Park (PLATE 54)

Site Data

Location: Forsyth County

Lakeshore Location Number: 650

Access: State Route 141

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 38 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 15 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 23 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located on the west bank of the lake about 9.5 miles above the dam. The terrain is relatively flat to gently sloping. Vegetation cover is mature hardwood and pine. The area is suitable for moderately intense development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

It was originally intended for this to be a multi-use area containing both day and overnight use. The area has never been developed. Proposed development calls for it to be a day use area with picnicking and swimming facilities.

Site Carrying Capacity

This area has the potential of being developed as a medium-sized day use area. All of the facilities allocated to the area can be developed with minimal impact. The area will be a full capacity with the proposed development.

Vann's Tavern Access Point (PLATE 54)

Site Data

Location: Forsyth County

Lakeshore Location Number: 644

Access: Waldrep Circle Road

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 15 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 8 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 7 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located about 8 miles above the dam on the west bank of the lake. It is a small, irregular shaped peninsula that is composed of moderately sloping land that rises to elevation 1110. The area is covered by pine/hardwood and open, grassy slopes. It has an ideal beach area and is suitable for low intensive development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

The original intention was to construct this area as all day use. Historically, this is the way the area has been used. Proposed plans call for additional day use facilities such as picnicking and swimming.

Site Carrying Capacity

The present and proposed low-intensive use level of development is compatible with the environmental constraints of the area. Additional facilities could be accommodated with minimal impact as shown on the Master Plan.

Bethel Park - Jones Hill (PLATE 56)

Site Data

Location: Forsyth County

Lakeshore Location Number: 578

Access: Bethel Road

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 62 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 17 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 45 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located 8.5 miles above the dam on the west bank of the lake. It is densely wooded, hilly land which rises sharply to elevation 1150. Vegetation consists of pine and upland hardwood. The area is suited for moderately intense development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

The intention of the 1965 Master Plan was for this area to have mixed use, both day use and camping. This is the way the area is currently being used. However, this area is scheduled for rehabilitation where it will be converted to all overnight use with additional camping units proposed.

Site Carrying Capacity

The present level of development is limited. The total area can accommodate more development with minimal impact should the need be determined.

Two Mile Creek Access Point (PLATE 59)

Site Data

Location: Forsyth County

Lakeshore Location Number: 554

Access: State Route 369

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 35 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 9 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 26 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located on the east bank of Two Mile Creek arm of the lake about 8.5 miles above the dam. The area is flat to moderately sloping and vegetation is sparse, being mostly hardwoods. It is suitable for highly intense development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

It was originally intended for this area to be multi-use, containing both day and overnight use. The area was developed as a camping area. Under the rehabilitation program it was converted to day use. Proposed development includes additional day use facilities such as picnicking, boating and swimming.

Site Carrying Capacity

The present level of development is compatible with the environmental constraints of the area. The area can easily accommodate more facilities and can be expanded to absorb future demand should the need be determined. The area has the potential of being developed as a major day use area.

Four Mile Creek (65 M.P. Area) (PLATE 61)

Site Data

Location: Forsyth County

Lakeshore Location Number: 506

Access: State Route 369

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 78 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 34 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 44 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located about 3.5 miles above the dam on the Four Mile Creek arm of the lake. The area is primarily a large peninsula with moderately sloping terrain that rises sharply from normal pool to elevation 1170. The area is suitable for moderately intense development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

The intent of the 1965 Master Plan was to develop this area as an overnight use facilities. At this time there is no existing development and there are no access roads. Proposed plans call for a totally developed campground with supporting facilities. If access to this area cannot be acquired, then boat-to-campsites are proposed.

Site Carrying Capacity

This is a large potential camping area that is able to absorb the proposed level of development through design and management. All facilities allocated to the area can be developed with minimal impact.

Six Mile Creek Campground (Supplement No. 4) (PLATE 63)

Site Data

Location: Forsyth County

Lakeshore Location Number: 478

Access: State Route 369

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 43 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 10 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 33 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located on the Six Mile arm of the lake about 3.5 miles above the dam. It is basically a large peninsula with moderate to steep slopes. Vegetation consists of mature pine and hardwood. The area is well suited for moderately intense development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

This area was identified in the land use supplement as a potential recreation area. The design intent is to develop this area as a major campground with supporting facilities. Acquisition of land for access will be required.

Site Carrying Capacity

This is a large potential camping area available to meet future demand should the need be determined. All facilities allocated to the area can be developed with minimal impact. However, the area will be at capacity with the recommended development and should not be expanded further.

Six Mile Creek Access Point (PLATE 63)

Site Data

Location: Forsyth County

Lakeshore Location Number: 472

Access: State Route 369

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 10 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 2 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 8 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located on the Six Mile arm of the lake about 3.5 miles above the dam. It consists of moderately to steep sloping land. Vegetative cover is mature pine and hardwood. Due to its small size, it has limited development potential.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

The intent of the original Master Plan was for this area to be multi-use containing both picnicking and camping. This is the way the area was developed. However, under the consolidation/closure program both the camping and picnicking facilities were relocated to other areas. It continues to be used as a boat launching facility. No further development is proposed.

Site Carrying Capacity

The present low intensive use level of development is compatible with the environmental constraints of the area. No additional facilities are needed for this area.

Charleston Access Point (PLATE 65)

Site Data

Location: Forsyth County

Lakeshore Location Number: 440

Access: State Route 141

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 16 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 4 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 12 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located on the Six Mile Creek arm of the lake about 3.5 miles above the dam. It has moderately steep terrain. The area is densely wooded with vegetative cover consisting of pine and pine/hardwood. Due to its size, the area is only suitable for limited development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

Originally the area was designed and used for both day and overnight use. However, under the consolidation/closure program, the camping facilities were relocated. The area is now entirely day use consisting of picnicking and boat launching facilities. Proposed development will consist of additional picnic facilities.

Site Carrying Capacity

This is a small area that can accommodate only limited development. However, the area can easily accommodate additional day use facilities and can be expanded to absorb future demand should the need be determined.

Charleston Cove Campground (PLATE 65)

Site Data

Location: Forsyth County

Lakeshore Location Number: 432

Access: State Route 369

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 139 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 48 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 91 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located adjacent to Charleston Access Point about 3.5 miles above the dam on the west bank. The terrain consists of moderate to steep sloping land and the vegetative cover is pine/hardwood. The area is suitable for intense development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

This is an undeveloped area which is identified as a potential area in the Land Use Plan, Master Plan Supplement No. 1. Proposed development is for a camping area with supporting facilities. Acquisition of access right-of-way will be necessary for development.

Site Carrying Capacity

This is a large potential camping development available to an interested agency. The area will be able to absorb a major future expansion should the need and opportunity be identified. All facilities allocated to the area can be developed with minimal impact.

Shady Grove Park (PLATE 66)

Site Data

Location: Forsyth County
Lakeshore Location Number: 366
Access: Shadburn Ferry Road
Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers
Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use
Total Land Area - - - - - 106 Acres
Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 55 Acres
Net - Usable Land - - - - - 51 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located 3.5 miles above the dam on the west bank of the lake. It is primarily a large peninsula with a very irregular shoreline. The terrain character is basically ridge land that rises somewhat uniformly to elevation 1120. The vegetative cover is pine, pine/hardwood, and upland hardwood. The area is well suited for moderately intense development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

It was the intent of the 1965 Master Plan to develop this as a major multi-use area containing both day and overnight use. The area was developed this way until the recent rehabilitation effort relocated the picnic facilities and added more camping units. The area is now a major campground. Proposed development includes additional camping facilities.

Site Carrying Capacity

The facilities allocated to this area have been developed with minimal impact. The area can accommodate a limited number of additional facilities as shown on the Master plan. This can be done within the environmental constraints of the area to the proposed level of development by design and management.

Young Deer Creek (PLATE 67)

Site Data

Location: Forsyth County

Lakeshore Location Number: 314

Access: Heard Road

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 14 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 3 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 11 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located about 2 miles above the dam on the Young Deer Creek arm of the lake. The terrain is moderately flat. Vegetation consists of upland hardwood and pine. The area is suited for intense development, but is limited by its size.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

Originally it was intended for this area to be developed as both a day and overnight use facility. The area was constructed as a day use facility with picnicking and boat launching. Proposed development is for more of the same.

Site Carrying Capacity

The present low-intensive use level of development is compatible with the environmental constraints of the area. A limited number of additional facilities can be accommodated as shown on the Master Plan. However, the area will be at full capacity with the recommended development and should not be expanded further.

Tidwell (PLATE 67)

Site Data

Location: Forsyth County

Lakeshore Location Number: 232

Access: Pilgram Mill Road

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 9 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 2 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 7 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located on the Young Deer Creek arm of the lake about 2 miles above the dam. Basically, it is a small peninsula with moderately flat terrain, except for the northern end. There are some pines, but the majority of the area is open. The area is well suited for intense development, but is limited by its size.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

It was originally intended for this to be a day use area. This is the way the area was developed with picnicking and boat launching facilities. Under the consolidation/closure program the picnic facilities were relocated to other areas. No other future development is proposed.

Site Carrying Capacity

The present low-intensive use level of development is compatible with the environmental constraints of the area. The area is ideal for boat launching facilities and no further development is needed.

Beaver Run Park (PLATE 68)

Site Data

Location: Hall County

Lakeshore Location Number: 2721

Access: McEver Road

Operator and/or Lessee:

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 37 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 16 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 21 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located about 11 miles above the dam on the east bank of the lake. It consists of hilly and heavily wooded land that rises from normal pool to elevation 1190. Primarily the area is one of moderate slopes covered with pine and upland hardwoods. The area is suited for moderately intense development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

This area was originally intended to be used as a day use area providing facilities for picnickers and boaters. There now exists some picnicking facilities. Proposed development will consist of additional picnic facilities, a beach, and boat ramp.

Site Carrying Capacity

The area can easily accommodate more facilities and can be expanded to absorb future demand should the need be determined. All facilities allocated to the area can be developed with minimal impact.

Bald Ridge Creek Park (PLATE 70)

Site Data

Location:

Lakeshore Location Number: 112

Access: Sinclair Shores Road

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 38 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 10 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 28 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located on the Bald Ridge Creek arm of the lake about two miles above the dam. The area is basically a peninsula with two knolls. It is moderately flat to moderately sloped land covered by young to mature pines. Moderately intense development can be accommodated.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

This area was originally intended to be used as a day use facility. However, under the recent rehabilitation program of consolidation of facilities, the area was developed as a campground supplementing existing overnight facilities. Other facilities include boat launching. Proposed development will consist of additional camping facilities.

Site Carrying Capacity

The area can easily accommodate additional facilities with minimal impact should the need be determined. The area will be at capacity with the recommended development and should not be expanded further.

Mary Alice Park (PLATE 71)

Site Data

Location: Forsyth County

Lakeshore Location Number: 86

Access: County Park Road

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 112 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 28 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 84 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located about 3 miles above the dam on the west bank of the lake. The area is basically a large peninsula consisting of relatively open ridge land which rises moderately to elevation 1170. Vegetation is made up of pine and upland hardwood. The area is suited for high use intensity.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

The 1965 Master Plan intended for this area to be both day and overnight use. The area has been developed as a major day use area during the renovation work under the rehabilitation program. Proposed development consists of additional day use facilities.

Site Carrying Capacity

Currently the carrying capacity of the developed area has been reached. The total area can, however, accommodate a limited amount of increased development as shown on the Master Plan. The area will be at capacity with the proposed development.

Sawnee (PLATE 73)

Site Data

Location: Forsyth County

Lakeshore Location Number: 16

Access: Buford Dam Road

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 40 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 14 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 26 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located near the west end of the dam adjacent to the west bank public use area. The area consists of hilly terrain rising above normal pool to elevation 1,130. It is sparsely wooded and with its relatively steep slopes and moderately desirable soils, the area is only suitable for limited development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

Sawnee was originally used as a multi-use day and overnight area. But due to the recent rehabilitation under the consolidation--closure program, it was converted to an all camping area with boat launching facilities. Proposed development includes more camping units.

Site Carrying Capacity

The existing development is near full capacity. Currently the carrying capacity of the small developed area has been reached. The total area can, however, accommodate more development. The area will be at capacity with the proposed development.

West Bank Damsite (PLATE 73)

Site Data

Location: Forsyth County

Lakeshore Location Number: 8

Access: Buford Dam Road

Operator and/or Lessee: Corps of Engineers

Land Use Designation: Recreation - Intensive Use

Total Land Area - - - - - 28 Acres

Nondevelopable Land - - - - - 13 Acres

Net - Usable Land - - - - - 15 Acres

Site Characteristics and Conditions

This area is located adjacent to the west end of the dam. Basically, west bank is an elongated peninsula with an irregular shoreline. The area is sparsely wooded with relatively hilly terrain and moderately desirable soils. Vegetation is mostly pines with some hardwoods. The area is suited for moderately intense development.

Site Rehabilitation and Proposed Development and Use - Design Intent

The intention of the 1965 Master Plan was to provide a highly developed day use area. Under the rehabilitation program the area has been totally developed with day use facilities. There is no room for additional development.

Site Carrying Capacity

Currently the carrying capacity of the area has been reached. No further development is proposed.

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