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## **BETHEL PARK DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT ON OUTGRANT PROPOSALS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Mobile, Ala.** – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) is conducting an Environmental Assessment (EA) for a proposed lease (outgrant) to a yet undetermined non-Federal entity that would constitute a change from the 1987 Master Plan developed by the Corps for Bethel Park, on the western shore of Lake Lanier, Forsyth County, Ga. The Corps has received two proposed development plans for Bethel Park, an approximate 62-acre public use area – one from the YMCA of Metropolitan Atlanta and one from Forsyth County.

Approximately 25-acres of the park would remain unleased and would continue in its current undeveloped state. This proposed lease action is addressed in a Draft EA, available for public review and comment and has been posted on the Mobile District public access website at the following location:

<http://www.sam.usace.army.mil/pd/Pd1.htm>

Additional copies of the Draft EA have been placed for review at the USACE Lake Sidney Lanier Project Office, located at 1050 Buford Dam Road, Buford, Ga.

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## **2-2-2-2 Bethel Park Environmental Assessment**

Upon completion of the 30-day public coordination period (February 19, 2008), the EA will be finalized and a determination made to either prepare a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI), or that a FONSI is not appropriate and an Environmental Impact Statement may be required.

Comments on the Draft EA should be directed to Commander, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Mobile District, ATTN: PD-EI, P.O. Box 2288, Mobile, Ala. 36628-0001. The preferred method for comments is by use of the comment form on the above website. If you have any questions regarding the proposal you may call Mr. Chuck Sumner at 251-694-3857.