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Temporary Closure of Recreational Parks

MOBILE, Ala. – U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Mobile District announces the temporary closure of several parks in its area of responsibility due to a significant shortage of staff. This decision comes after careful consideration of the safety and security of all visitors.

The well-being of our community is our top priority, and the current staffing levels do not allow us to maintain the necessary safety measures within our parks. This includes essential services such as park supervision, maintenance, and safety monitoring that ensure a secure and enjoyable environment for all visitors.

The following parks are affected by this closure:

Allatoona Lake

- Victoria Day Use Area
- Payne Campground

Apalachicola-Chattahoochee-Flint

- Public Shoreline Area

Black Warrior & Tombigbee Lakes

- Arcola
- Blue Creek
- Deerlick Creek
- Service Park

Okatibbee Lake

- Pine Springs

Walter F. George

- Bluff Creek Day Use Area
- Hardridge Creek Campground

Lake George W. Andrews

- East Bank Day Use Area/Lower Pool

Lake Sidney Lanier

- Balus Creek
- Belton Bridge
- Burton Mill
- Keiths Bridge
- Little Hall
- Little Ridge
- Little River
- Long Hollow
- Lula
- Mountain View
- Old Federal Day Use
- Robinson
- Sardis Creek
- Simpson
- Thompson Bridge
- Tidwell
- Two Mile
- Upper Overlook
- Van Pugh North & South
- Vanns Tavern

The closures will remain in effect until we can adequately address the staffing shortages. Visitors are encouraged to check our website or social media channels for updates regarding the reopening of the parks and for any alternative recreational options in the area.

We appreciate the community's understanding and support during this challenging time.

For further information, please contact the Public Affairs Office at cesam-pa@usace.army.mil.

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