

Allatoona Lake is the oldest multipurpose project in the Corps' South Atlantic Division. Preliminary site work began in 1941 but was discontinued by the outbreak of World War II. The dam was completed and placed into operation in January, 1950, at a cost of about \$31.5 million. The lake is located on the Etowah River, a tributary of the Coosa River, about 30 miles north of Atlanta. The dam impounds run-off water from 1,110 square miles into a large, irregular lake. During periods of heavy rainfall, excess runoff is stored to alleviate floods in the lower Etowah Valley and to reduce flood heights at Rome, Georgia. During dry periods, stored water is released to supplement runoff for power production and to produce streamflow. Because the lake serves a large drainage area and is relatively small, the level of the lake may fluctuate greatly. Daily increases of three to four feet are not uncommon following heavy rains with an increase of 20 feet recorded in one week's time several years ago.



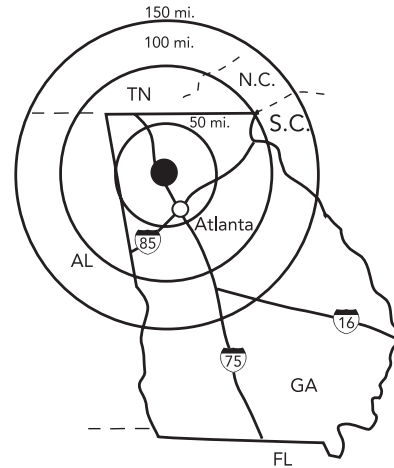
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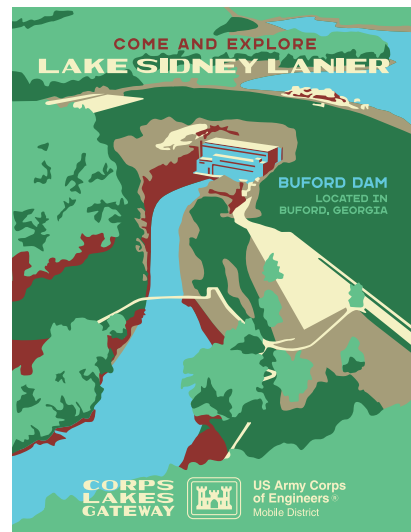
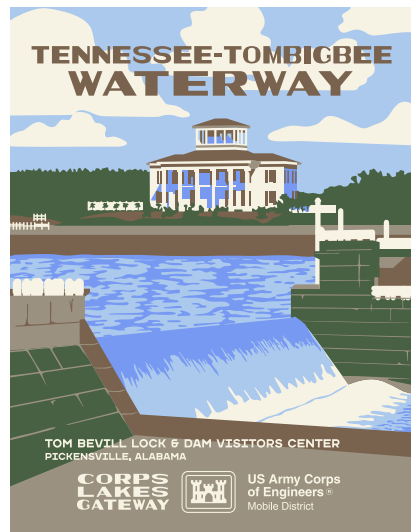
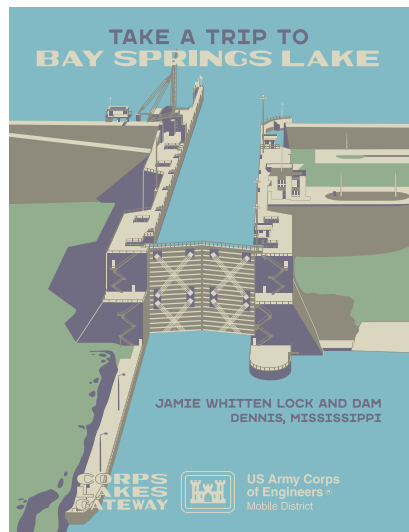
Turbulent waters are present in areas immediately above and below all locks and dams. Extreme caution must be exercised. There must be strict compliance with all posted signs and other safety rules.

UNDERWATER HAZARDS

There are submerged stumps, logs, fences, and rocks in the lake. Be especially watchful for obstructions near the surface from November to February, when the lake is usually at its lowest level.



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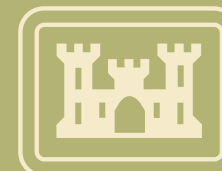


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