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Notice to the Media

Dale Hollow Lake; Obey River and Lillydale Campgrounds To Loan Free Life Jackets To Kids This Boating Season

CELINA, TENN, May 15 – This year the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at Dale Hollow Lake is continuing to help keep kids safe while on the water by participating in the BoatUS Foundation *Life Jacket Loaner Program for Kids!* This program, made possible by the BoatUS Foundation for Boating Safety and Clean Water, allows boaters to borrow a child's life jacket for the day or the weekend, at no charge!

Here's how the Life Jacket Loaner Program works. If a boating family discovers they don't have enough properly-fitting children's life jackets on board, they can simply visit the registration centers at either Obey River or Lillydale campgrounds on Dale Hollow Lake and sign for a loaner infant, child, or youth jacket for the day or the weekend. When they've finished boating for the day, they can return the jackets to the same location. Dale Hollow Lake was awarded two kits of 12 life jackets, allowing hundreds of children to stay safer on the water.

If you would like to borrow a jacket, simply stop by Obey River Campground or Lillydale Campground during the registration center hours of operation. You may contact Obey River Campground at (931) 864-6388 or Lillydale at (931) 823-4155 for office hours and times that life jackets may be borrowed. You can also contact the Office of the Resource Manager at (931) 243-3136 to learn more about Dale Hollow Lake's participation in the program.

There are more than 390 BoatUS Foundation Life Jacket Loaner sites located all over the country. These sites have loaned jackets to visitors more than *50,000 times* since the program began in 1997. To learn more about the national effort to put kids in life jackets to guarantee their safety, visit <http://www.boatus.com/foundation>. To learn more about the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers or Dale Hollow Lake, visit <http://www.lrn.usace.army.mil>.

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