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Old Hickory Lake Shoreline Management Plan Approved

NASHVILLE, TENN., May 2, 2008 – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Great Lakes and Ohio River Division has approved the Old Hickory Lake Shoreline Management Plan. The Corps held public meetings in 2006 to solicit public input for consideration in the review and amendment of the 2001 Old Hickory Lake Shoreline Management Plan. This approval of the plan finalizes the review process.

The objective of the Shoreline Management Plan is to achieve a balance between permitted private use with the protection and restoration of the natural environment. Old Hickory Lake staff has strengthened this plan by emphasizing principles of good environmental stewardship to the natural and cultural resources occurring on Old Hickory Lake.

The intent of the plan is to use both passive and proactive best management practices to sustain healthy ecosystems and biodiversity, and conserve natural resources, such that public lands and waters are left in a condition equal to or better than their condition when acquired, and such that those natural and cultural resources are available to serve the needs of present and future generations.

The Shoreline Management Plan document may be found on the Old Hickory Lake website at <http://www.lrn.usace.army.mil/op/old/rec/>. Additionally, two other documents associated with the 2006 public meetings are available on the site. The document entitled “Q’s and A’s for the 2006 Review,” contains the Corps’ response to the questions received at the

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public meetings. The document entitled “Shoreline Management Plan Area Review Summary,” lists the decisions made for the shoreline allocation of the lake. This review determined the locations where private docks may be approved.

If you have any questions regarding the Shoreline Management Plan update process, please contact the Old Hickory Lake Resource Managers office at (615) 822-4846 or (615) 847-2395.