MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Administrative Changes to Tulsa District Shoreline Management Plans

- 1. Reference: Title 36 CFR Part 327.30, Shoreline Management at Civil Works Projects, published in the Federal Register with the effective date of July 27, 1990.
- 2. Part 327.30(e)(7) of the above reference provides District Commanders with the authority to make minor revisions to a Shoreline Management Plan (SMP) when the revisions are consistent with policy and funds for a complete plan update are not available.
- 3. Due to limited funding and concerns regarding the cumulative impacts of the Shoreline Management (SM) program at Tulsa District lakes, the SM plans at Lake Texoma, Fort Gibson Lake, Tenkiller Ferry Lake, Keystone Lake, Hulah Lake, Fall River Lake and Toronto Lake have not been reviewed and updated since 1996. The Eufaula Lake SM plan was updated earlier this year but in order to have uniform implementation of the SM program across Tulsa District this supplement is applicable to that plan as well, except for the walkway and slip finger widths in Paragraph b., which are limited to 48 inches in the 2013 Eufaula SM plan. Accordingly, the purpose of this supplement is to clarify application, construction and inspection requirements to reflect current policies and permitting procedures governing privately owned boat docks on Tulsa District lakes.
- a. Plans/drawings for new boat docks and activities associated with permitted facilities must be submitted on 8.5" x 11" paper or in electronic .pdf format. Plans submitted with the initial request may be non-certified engineered drawings and should indicate materials to be used and dimensions of the boat dock. Once the application is reviewed and approval can be issued, the dock owner must submit plans certified by a structural engineer, and an electrical engineer where applicable, prior to receiving written approval by the lake manager.
- b. A request to waive any provision of the minimum design standards for the purpose of accommodating a person with a

permanent disability or limiting health condition should fully explain the disability or limiting health condition, the individual and local situation, and the specifics of the waiver, accompanied by supporting documentation (letter, copies of handicapped parking placards, doctor's letters, maps, diagrams, etc.). Exceptions to boat dock design standards for individuals with disabilities may include a 60" wide walkway and one 60" wide finger of a boat dock. Exceptions may be considered for the permittee or for immediate family members. All granted exceptions must be modified back to the minimum design standards upon sale of the dock or when there is no longer a justification for the exceptions.

- c. New overhead or rooftop decks/patios are prohibited in accordance with Condition 11, Appendix C of ER 1130-2-6 which limits use of a boat dock to mooring of vessels and storage of gear, in lockers, essential to operation of such vessels. Existing rooftop decks are grandfathered but their structural integrity must be certified by a licensed engineer each time the permit is due for renewal. Replacement of these structures will not be allowed.
- d. Periodic and/or annual inspections may be performed by authorized Corps representatives to determine the condition of the boat dock and level of compliance with the permit conditions, presence of unauthorized structures, and uses of the facilities. At the time of renewal, permit holders may be required to provide certified inspection reports documenting compliance with applicable electrical codes, structural soundness and/or compliance with permit conditions.
- e. Original boat registrations or notarized copies will be required for all new boat dock applications and renewals.
- f. The measurement of a boat dock and limits on spacing will include any mooring facilities for Personal Water Craft (PWC) or other vessels that may be attached to the outside of the structure.
- g. All gates on walkways must be installed within five (5) feet of the floating facility. Existing gates may remain in place but if the walkway is modified or replaced, the gate must be moved to a compliant location. If a lock is used to secure a gate, it must be a combination lock and the Corps of Engineers must be provided with the combination for the purpose

of inspection of the facility. Any changes to the combination must be provided to the Corps of Engineers.

- h. As with new construction, non-certified engineer drawings may be included in requests for modification of existing facilities. The requests should also include a list of materials to be used and a description and/or drawing of the proposed modification to the boat dock. Once the application is reviewed and approval can be issued, the dock owner must submit plans certified by a structural engineer, and an electrical engineer where applicable, prior to receiving written approval by the lake manager. Requests to relocate a dock from one area on the lake to another area will require structural certification of the dock by a licensed engineer if a structural certification was not included with the original dock construction application.
- 4. POC in Operations Division for this action is John Tennery, 918-669-7406.

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