



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, TULSA DISTRICT
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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

**DRAFT MASTER PLAN AND ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR THE PROPOSED
U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
2021 ELK CITY LAKE MASTER PLAN
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KANSAS**

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Tulsa District, hereby informs the public of the release of the 2021 Draft Elk City Lake Master Plan (hereafter Plan). As well as the associated draft Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI), and draft Environmental Assessment (EA).

The Plan is a vital tool produced and used by USACE to guide the responsible stewardship of USACE-administered lands and resources for the benefit of present and future generations. The Plan provides direction for appropriate management, use, development, enhancement, protection, and conservation of the natural, cultural, and manmade resources at Elk City Lake. The Plan presents an inventory and analysis of land resources, resource management objectives, land use classifications, resource use plan for each land use classification, current and projected park facility needs, an analysis of existing and anticipated resource use, and anticipated influences on overall project operation and management. The most current Elk City Master Plan was approved in 1988.

In lieu of a face-to-face public meeting due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, USACE will upload a virtual presentation that gives an overview of the proposed changes to the current Master Plan and instructions on how to submit comments. A 30-day public comment period will begin on **August 23, 2021 and end on September 23, 2021**. The virtual presentation, draft Plan, FONSI, EA, and comment instructions will be available for download starting August 23, 2021 at the following Tulsa District website:

<https://www.swt.usace.army.mil/Missions/Recreation/Master-Plans/>

General questions pertaining to the Master Plans can be directed to Jeff Knack, Chief, Natural Resources and Recreation Branch at Jeff.Knack@usace.army.mil or via phone at (918) 669-7660.

For questions pertaining specifically to the proposed revision of the Elk City Master Plan please contact Chris Hammerschmidt, Elk City Lake Manager at (620) 336-2741. Comments can be submitted via email to CESWT-OD-KC@usace.army.mil or mailed to Elk City Lake Manager, 19065 Cherryvale Pkwy, Cherryvale, Kansas 67335.

Sincerely,

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