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## MEMORANDUM THRU Chief, Operations Division

SUBJECT: Change to the Eufaula Lake Shoreline Management Plan (SMP)

1. Reference: Title 36 CFR Part 327.30, Shoreline Management at Civil Works Projects, published in the Federal Register with the effective date of 27 July 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 the policy and funds for a complete plan update are not available.

3. Reference page 17 and 18 of the Eufaula Lake SMP under Vegetation Modifications Permits. Current SMP states, <u>Shoreline Vegetation Buffer</u>: The shoreline vegetation buffer is a strip of land between the shoreline and private property where only limited trimming of trees and shrubs is allowed. This area was established to reduce erosion, improve water quality and provide suitable habitat for native wildlife. Modification of grass and non-woody vegetation is prohibited. Trees and other woody vegetation within the shoreline vegetation buffer may be trimmed in accordance with the tree trimming guidelines of the vegetation modification permit. Recommend adding the following verbiage, <u>6ft-wide meandering path</u>: A 6ft-wide meandering path is a mowed pathway through the 45ft vegetation buffer to the shoreline. The meandering path must follow a route, taking topographic conditions into account, that will prevent soil erosion. All routes are subject to designation and/or approval of the Eufaula Lake Manager.

4. The public has requested this change in many complaints/reports to the Lake Office in order to make dock and boat access easier. This is expected to span approximately 11.72 acres within Limited Development Areas (LDA) only, resulting from 1,891 existing vegetation modification permits.

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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