

USACE Annual Passes - Including AtB Annual Passes
Plan for Extension of Expiration Dates to Mitigate Lost Use by Visitors
Due to the Coronavirus Pandemic

Background:

All sales of the USACE Annual Pass (plus America the Beautiful Annual Passes) have been suspended by April 2020.

Because of the suspension of fee collection and the closure of areas by many agencies, sales of Interagency Annual passes were suspended on the USGS website during the week of March 23, 2020. USGS continues to sell/issue the Lifetime Senior Pass and Access Pass. Field sites were advised to suspend sales and most have done so, including our Tulsa Lake Offices. To purchase a lifetime pass, you can do so here: <https://store.usgs.gov/recreational-passes>

1. USACE Annual Passes.

We have extended the expiration date of USACE Annual Passes (\$40) that were purchased/valid during the period April 1, 2019 through March 31, 2020 by continuing to accept them for SEVEN months after the expiration date on the pass. This is based on the currently planned date of 1 Oct 2020 to resume collecting user fees (day use fees). This does not apply to campgrounds. As campgrounds begin to open applicable camping fees will be charged. No action is needed except to view the expiration date on the USACE Annual Pass and use Table 1 below to determine the new expiration date. This extension period will help mitigate the inability of visitors to use their passes during the coronavirus mandatory stay-at-home orders, park/recreation area closures and fee suspensions which commenced in March/April 2020. This simple solution will enable field staff to simply view a visitor's pass and automatically grant the seven month extension based on Table 1. This table will be adjusted to reflect any changes to fee collection restart dates.

Table 1 – Rolling Extension Timetable for Passes Purchased ***

If Pass was issued in the month of*:	Then pass would normally expire**:	With Seven month extension, the new expiration date would be:
April 2019	April 30, 2020	November 30, 2020
May 2019	May 31, 2020	December 31, 2020
June 2019	June 30, 2020	January 31, 2021
July 2019	July 31, 2020	February 28, 2021
August 2019	August 31, 2020	March 31, 2021
September 2019	September 30, 2020	April 30, 2021
October 2019	October 31, 2020	May 31, 2021
November 2019	November 30, 2020	June 30, 2021
December 2019	December 31, 2020	July 31, 2021
January 2020	January 31, 2021	August 31, 2021
February 2020	February 28, 2021	September 30, 2021
March 2020	March 31, 2021	October 31, 2021
April 2020	Pass sales suspended until further notice (currently 1 Oct 2020)	

*No USACE Annual Passes have been sold beginning in April 2020 and until further notice.

**Passes are valid for 12 months from the month of purchase, expiring the last day of that month.

*** This timeline will be reviewed and adjusted as the situation evolves.

2. Interagency America the Beautiful Annual Passes.

The Corps has extended the expiration date of Interagency America the Beautiful (AtB) Annual passes that were purchased/valid during the period April 1, 2019 through March 31, 2020 by continuing to accept them for seven months after the expiration date punched on the pass. This extension period will help to mitigate for the inability of visitors to use their passes during the coronavirus mandatory stay-at-home orders, park/recreation area closures and fee suspensions which commenced in March / April 2020. This simple solution will enable field staff to simply view a visitor’s pass and automatically grant the seven month extension based on Table 1. This table will be adjusted to reflect any changes to fee collection restart dates. Table 2 below shows the proposed broad guidance for each type of pass.

Table 2 –Type of AtB Pass and Standards for Extensions

Type of Pass	Extension	Time Period
Interagency AtB Passes*:		
Annual	✓	7 months
Senior Annual	✓	7 months
Military	✓	7 months
4 th Grade	✓	7 months
Volunteer	✓	7 months
Senior Lifetime	n/a	n/a
Access	n/a	n/a

* Pass sales were suspended approximately March 25, 2020