Notice to Campers

SUBJECT: Length-of-Stay Policy for Arkabutla Lake Campgrounds – 2015-2016 **Effective 1 October 2015**

1. Reference: CEMVK-OD-MS memorandum, 22 November 1996, subject: Uniform Length-of-Stay Policy for Vicksburg District.
2. Title 36, part 327.7, requires written permission (extension) to camp for a period longer than 14 days. The following policy provides details in regard to the application of this policy at Arkabutla Lake.
3. One extension will be granted at Hernando Point, Dub Patton, and South Abutment campgrounds during the peak season (1 March-31 October). At the end of the 28 day stay, the camper and/or equipment must change campgrounds, but may return after 14 days.
4. No extensions will be granted for camping at South Outlet Channel, Kelley's Crossing, and Pleasant Hill. At the end of the 14 days, a camper and his equipment must change campgrounds.

Number of extensions available and maximum days stay per below:

No extension available through the campground and listed holiday dates listed below:

Campground	1 March - 31 October # Ext.	Max. # days	Cost	1 November - 29 Feb. # Ext.	Max. # days	Cost	Memorial	July 4th	Labor Day
Hernando Point	1	(28 days)	$18 & $20	2	(42 days)	$16 & $18	(26 - 31 May)	(30 June - 5 July)	(1 - 6 Sep)
Dub Patton	1	(28 days)	$18 & $20	2	(42 days)	$16 & $18	(26 - 31 May)	(30 June - 5 July)	(1 - 6 Sep)
South Abutment	1	(28 days)	$18 & $20	2	(42 days)	$16 & $18	(26 - 31 May)	(30 June - 5 July)	(1 - 6 Sep)

Campground	1 May – 30 September # Ext.	Max. # days	Cost	1 October - 30 April # Ext.	Max. # days	Cost	
South Outlet Channel	0	(14 days)	$6	0	(14 days)	$0	No extensions available
Kelley's Crossing	0	(14 days)	$5	0	(14 days)	$0	No extensions available
Pleasant Hill	0	(14 days)	$5	0	(14 days)	$0	No extensions available

Major Summer Holidays - Extensions will not be granted during a major summer holiday weekend. Extension requests that include all or part of a holiday weekend may be approved for less than 14 days or denied entirely.

Equipment Removal and Relocation - All camping equipment shall be removed from the campground at the conclusion of the final extension. At this point the camper may elect to reserve a site at another campground on the project and place this equipment at that site. After the camping equipment is removed at the conclusion of a final extension, it may not be returned to that campground for **14** days. Reference Title 36 CFR 327.7c: The unauthorized placement of camping equipment or other items on a campsite and/or personal appearance at a campsite without daily occupancy for the purpose of reserving that campsite for future occupancy is prohibited.

Approval and Denial of Extensions - Approval of an extension is based upon the camper's compliance with Title 36 Rules and Regulations, Project Policies and State/local laws. Receipt of a written warning or citation from a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Park Ranger will result in an automatic denial of extension. Camper must apply for an extension in advance of the 14th day of camping. An extension will not be granted if the requested is submitted after 14 days of continuous occupancy at one site. Once an extension is denied for any of the above reasons, the camper may not camp at the project for **16** days.

National Recreation Reservation System (NRRS – Recreation.gov) – General rules governing camping are provided on the web at Recreation.gov. Once it has been determined that the NRRS has been utilized in a manner that violates applicable rules and regulations (such as using two different names to make back-to-back reservations to exceed the maximum 14 day stay limit), appropriate corrective actions will be taken. Corrective actions will require that the camper remove his camping equipment and leave the campground by a specified date, as well as the cancellation of the reservation thru the NRRS. Other penalties and fines may also be associated with this corrective action.

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