

Lake Boater Ramp Survey

(Personal Interview or Mail Survey)

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Date ___/___/___ Location _____ Survey No. _____

Time _____

1. Have you boated on this lake? • YES • NO

2. "Hello. My name is _____. I am conducting a survey of boaters to help the Corps of Engineers learn more about your boating experience on Table Rock Lake. Could I take a few minutes of your time to ask you these questions? This survey is voluntary and strictly confidential."
NUMBER OF WEEKEND DAYS _____ NUMBER OF WEEKDAYS _____

3. How many are in your party today? _____

How many of those are less than 18 years of age? _____

4. How many days will you be visiting the lake on this visit? _____

5. How much time did you spend on the water today? _____

6. What type of boat(s) did you use today?

- Runabout/ Speedboat/ Ski Boat
- Fishing Boat/ Bass boat
- Pontoon Boat
- Personal watercraft (Jet Ski)
- High Performance Boat (cigarette boat)
- Houseboat
- Cabin Cruiser
- Rowboat/ Canoe
- Sailboat/ Sailboard
- Other _____

(HAND ACTIVITY CARD)

7. What is the length of the primary boat you used today? _____

8. What is the horsepower of that boat? _____

9. Please estimate the amount of time that you spent today on the following activities. (HAND ACTIVITY CARD)

Fishing	_____ %	Swimming	_____ %
Cruising	_____ %	Relaxing	_____ %
Water-skiing	_____ %	Other activity	_____ %
Personal craft	_____ %	describe other activity	_____

Now I would like to ask you some questions about where you go on the lake. SHOW BOATER MAP OF LAKE AND TELL THEM "YOU ARE HERE" (TOTAL SHOULD = 100%)

10. Do you have a favorite location to go to on this lake? • YES • NO

11. Why is that/ are those your favorite location(s)?

_____ (Please circle the above location on the map and mark as F1)

_____ (Be as specific as possible in your description)

Name of second location: _____ (Please circle the above location on the map and mark as F2)

Reason: _____ (Be as specific as possible in your description)

12. Are there any locations on this lake that you deliberately **avoid**? • YES • NO
 Why do you avoid that/ those location(s) of the lake?

Name of first **location to avoid**: _____
 (Please circle the above location on the map and mark as **A1**)

Reason why: _____
 (Be as specific as possible in your description)

Name of second **location to avoid**: _____
 (Please circle the above location on the map and mark as **A2**)

Reason why: _____
 (Be as specific as possible in your description)

13. Are there any locations on this lake where you feel **unsafe**? • YES • NO
 Why do you feel unsafe at that/those location(s) on the lake?

Name of first **that is unsafe**: _____
 (Please circle the above location on the map and mark as **S1**)

Reason that it is unsafe: _____
 (Be as specific as possible in your description)

Name of second **location that is unsafe**: _____
 (Please circle the above location on the map and mark as **S2**)

Reason that it is unsafe: _____
 (Be as specific as possible in your description)

14. How **safe** did you feel **today** while boating or launching your boat at the following locations? (HAND SAFTEY CARD)

Location	Not at all Safe	Somewhat Safe	Moderately Safe	Extremely Safe
At the boat ramp.	1	2	3	4
On the water.	1	2	3	4

(HAND CROWDING CARD)

15. Did you feel **crowded** by the number of boaters on the lake **today** at the following locations?

Location	Not at all Crowded	Somewhat Crowded	Moderately Crowded	Extremely Crowded
At the boat ramp.	1	2	3	4
On the water.	1	2	3	4

16. Do you feel there are an adequate number of boat ramps, parking areas, and marinas on this lake?

- | | 1 | 2 | 3 |
|----------------------|------------|---------------|-------------|
| <u>Boat ramps</u> | • Too many | • About right | • Need more |
| <u>Parking areas</u> | • Too many | • About right | • Need more |
| <u>Marinas</u> | • Too many | • About right | • Need more |

17. Have you noticed any **positive or negative changes** at this lake in the last five years?
 • YES • NO (IF YES... can you describe those changes?)

Positive changes: _____

Negative changes: _____

18. To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

Statement	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
I thoroughly enjoy my experience at Table Rock Lake.	1	2	3	4	5
I experience a sense of satisfaction after recreating on Table Rock Lake.	1	2	3	4	5
I am disappointed with my experience at Table Rock Lake.	1	2	3	4	5
The overall quality of my experience at Table Rock Lake has been positive.	1	2	3	4	5
The level of noise from motorized boating is acceptable to me at Table Rock Lake.	1	2	3	4	5
The quality of the water is acceptable to me at Table Rock Lake.	1	2	3	4	5
The traffic from motorized boating is acceptable to me at Table Rock Lake.	1	2	3	4	5
The number of boat docks along the shoreline is acceptable to me.	1	2	3	4	5
The degree of shoreline development is acceptable to me (i.e., docks, marinas, & improvements on public lands).	1	2	3	4	5
The degree of residential and commercial development adjacent to public lands on Table Rock Lake is acceptable to me (i.e., buildings/homes, construction on private property).	1	2	3	4	5
The size of the boats that I saw on the lake is acceptable in terms of my experience.	1	2	3	4	5
The size and total number of public commercial marinas is acceptable to me.	1	2	3	4	5

19. Where do you live? _____ / _____ / _____
City State Zip

20. Do you have any additional comments? (Write comments on back cover of survey).

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME