



Cherokee Reservoir Land Management Plan Error – Tract No. XCK-72PT

Reservoir Land Planning Errors

After approval of a reservoir land management plan (RLMP) by the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA), all future uses of TVA managed lands on that reservoir must then be consistent with the allocations within that RLMP. Recent research of deeds show that on certain TVA reservoir land tracts and the current land management zone allocations have the potential to conflict with egress and ingress rights of the adjacent property owners if the current backlying land use were to change. The resolution of these potential conflicts has resulted in the reallocation of the TVA-managed land to align with the egress and ingress rights of the adjacent property owners. This document addresses the reallocation of a portion of the 2001 Cherokee RLMP (2001 RLMP) Tract No. XCK-72PT and is considered a supplement to the 2001 RLMP. Definitions of TVA's land planning allocations are located on TVA's Web site, <http://www.tva.com/environment/reports/nrp/index.htm>.

General Information about Cherokee Reservoir

Cherokee Reservoir is an impoundment of the Holston River formed by Cherokee Dam, which is located at Holston River mile (HRM) 52.3 in Jefferson County, Tennessee. Cherokee Reservoir is located in parts of Grainger, Hamblen, Hawkins, and Jefferson Counties in Tennessee. TVA originally acquired 45,158 acres of land for construction of the reservoir, which was completed in December 1941. TVA has retained 8,187 acres of land lying above full pool elevation. At full pool, the reservoir is 54 miles long; mainland shoreline length is 336 miles; and surface area is 31,240 acres.

Cherokee RLMP Tract No. XCK-72PT

Tract No. XCK-72PT is located in Hawkins County, Tennessee, along the right descending bank of HRM 96.3. In the 2001 RLMP, Tract No. XCK-72PT was allocated for "Natural Resource Conservation." In 1941, TVA acquired an easement for use of the private property backlying Tract No. XCK-72PT as a borrow pit to support the construction of Highway 11. As a result of the excavation, the shoreline elevations were altered which caused a portion of private property to become inundated. Because TVA property fronting the borrow pit area is underwater, there is no land to allocate. In order to resolve the potential conflict from the 2001 RLMP allocation, Tract No. XCK-72PT is modified to consist of Tract Nos. XCK-72aPT and -72PT (Figure 1). Tract No. XCK-72aPT fronts the private property adjoining the normal pool elevation of the reservoir and occupies approximately 375 feet of shoreline. Tract No. XCK-72aPT is designated as "Non-TVA Shoreland" and requests for private water use facilities will be considered. Tract No. XCK-72PT consists of the remainder of the original reservoir land tract and remains designated as "Natural Resource Conservation."

