

Message From The Corps of Engineers

At W. Kerr Scott Lake

We welcome you to the trail system at W. Kerr Scott Dam Lake, managed and operated by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. We hope that you will experience many hours of recreational trail riding on the 30 plus miles of multi-use trails at Kerr Scott Reservoir. We would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the outstanding volunteer work of Brushy Mountain Cyclists Club (BMCC) in providing several thousands of volunteer hours in trail construction and trail maintenance. The BMCC has been instrumental in obtaining grant funding and sponsorship monies which have been returned to this magnificent trails system. In addition, Friends of W. Kerr Scott Lake, have also greatly assisted by obtaining and administering grant funding. Without these valuable partnerships, these trails would not have been possible. Some sections of the trail are designated as part of the Overmountain Victory National Historic Trail. (OVT) These sections of the OVT also involve the assistance and coordination with the National Park Service. All these partnerships have come together for a trail system which many agree is one of the best in North Carolina.

While you are visiting the project, we also invite you to stop by our Visitor Assistance Center to obtain additional information such as trail maps, project brochures and park regulations. Title 36 Rules and Regulations apply to all recreational facilities at the Lake. In addition, any requests for permits for special events such as bike races should be directed to the Corps of Engineers at the Visitor Assistance Center, 336-921-3390.

Also be aware that under unusual circumstances such as storm damage, construction in adjacent parks and extreme weather conditions, the Corps may temporarily close some sections of trail. We will work with the media with BMCC's web site to post such a trail closing if it becomes necessary.

We urge you to be good stewards of the trail and adjacent natural resources. Ride safely and be courteous to fellow trail users. We urge you to pack along cell phones and first aid kits when on the trail. Finally, we hope that you have many trips and many years of enjoyment of W. Kerr Scott's trail system.

Please report any downed trees or dangerous situations to a Corps Ranger or call our office. In addition, we appreciate any reports of accidents as they help us improve trail facilities.