

# **FACT SHEET**

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# LAKE MENDOCINO MASTER PLAN REVISION

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers San Francisco District (Corps) is revising the Lake Mendocino Master Plan to guide the management of public lands around the lake. This revision will impact future use of natural resources and recreational activities to ensure the sustainability of Lake Mendocino.

Coyote Valley Dam was originally constructed in 1959, for the purposes of flood control, water conservation, and recreation. The original Master Plan still guides present-day land use and resource management decisions at the lake, but significant changes have occurred in the area since then. The revision will confirm the government land classifications around the lake based on environmental and socio-economic considerations, public input, and an evaluation of past, present, and forecasted trends. This update is stewardship driven and seeks to balance recreational development and use with the goal of conservation of natural and cultural resources.



The planning process will include an analysis of potential effects of any proposed changes to the Master Plan on the natural and social environment, including: fish and wildlife, cultural and historic resources, recreational opportunities, economics, land use, aesthetics, and public health and safety. The public scoping, data collection, analysis and evaluation of resources and visitor use, and a preliminary report are scheduled to be developed in the summer and fall of 2018, with an expected completion of the revised Master Plan in early 2019.

Lake Mendocino is one of three projects managed by the San Francisco District for recreation (the other two are Lake Sonoma and the San Francisco Bay Model, both of which are also undergoing Master Plan revisions). Visit the website below for more information on the Corps San Francisco District.

For more information, and to participate or comment on any aspect of this revision, please visit the Lake Mendocino website, and register to receive email notifications. The website address is <a href="http://www.spn.usace.army.mil/Missions/Recreation/Lake-Mendocino/">http://www.spn.usace.army.mil/Missions/Recreation/Lake-Mendocino/</a>.

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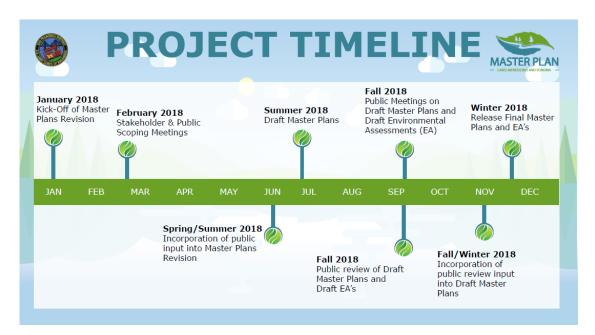
#### What is A Master Plan?

A Master Plan is a strategic land use management document that guides the comprehensive management and development of recreation, natural and cultural resources at Corps reservoirs and other facilities, and provides a vision for future development of the project.

The Corps is responsible for the maintenance, restoration and stewardship of natural resources on the projects it manages. To facilitate the management and use of these lands, a Master Plan is maintained for each project.

### "Fast Facts" about Lake Mendocino and Coyote Dam:

Lake Mendocino is located about 120 miles north of San Francisco and three miles from the Town of Ukiah. The Lake, which is three miles long and one mile wide, and Coyote Dam are located on the East Fork of the Russian River. Coyote Dam was built by the Corps in 1959 and Lake Mendocino was subsequently formed, serving as flood control, water supply, and recreation area.



Have questions or comments about the Lake Mendocino Master Plan?

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