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State plan shows recreational needs from Millican low

With the implementation of the proposed Millican Dam and Reservoir, College Station residents could have a 1,000-acre recreational facility resting on the shores of a 55,000-acre lake less than 10 miles south of town.

But, with an 11,460-acre reservoir (Lake Somerville) lying 25 miles west of the city, will the increased recreational benefits be justified?

Area recreational needs

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will build the dam, pending further Congressional approval, but is required by law to coordinate its recreational development proposals with state master plans for outdoor recreation.

Texas' plan is prepared by the state Parks and Wildlife Department and has recently been updated, showing recreational needs in urban and rural areas from 1968 to the year 2000.

The proposed Millican Lake would lie in the middle of rural Region 21 of the master plan, an area consisting of Brazos, Grimes, Madison, Robertson, Leon, Burleson and Washington counties.

According to the master plan, the rural portions of seven-county region need no additional acres of water for recreational use through 1980, while only 88 acres of water are needed within urban areas. By the year 2000, only 1,487 acres of recreational water will be required in both rural and urban areas. (Millican's 55,000 acres would more than surpass that need.)

The presence of the 11,460-acre Lake Somerville within the region no doubt accounts for the abundance of recreational waters. The Corps of Engineers operates six parks totalling 1,935 acres on the lake.

(Although Somerville provides recreational water, the master plan says campsites, boat ramps, and "designated freshwater swimming areas" are high priority requirements in the region by 1980.)

Responsibility

The Corps of Engineers is required to find a local entity to provide recreational facilities on their reservoirs. Up until recently the Corps itself would often take the bulk of that responsibility, but has

been forced by Congress out of the recreation business.

For the Millican Reservoir project, the Brazos River Authority (BRA) has committed itself to meet, on a matching grant basis, the minimum recreational requirements outlined in a plan for the dam, which should be prepared early next year. The operation and maintenance of these facilities will also be the river authority's responsibility.

The BRA's main interest in Millican Reservoir is not for the future recreational needs of the area. The BRA, a state agency concerned with water development in the Brazos River Basin, sells water from the reservoirs in its jurisdiction to industries, municipalities and for agricultural use. Millican would provide the BRA with another revenue source and the group's general manager, Col. Walter Wells, says that justifies the expense on recreational development.

Wells said the BRA did not want to get involved in recreation, but "no one else would do it." As has been the case with other lakes in the Brazos River Basin, Wells said he will encourage the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department to pick up the operation and maintenance of lake parks.

Neither College Station nor Bryan have expressed an interest in setting up city parks adjacent to Millican. College Station City Manager North Bardell said the city is not looking into that question yet. Lou

Odle, Bryan city manager, said the dam and reservoir are "outside our jurisdiction (city limits)" and would not comment.

The BRA, reluctantly or not, has been involved in recreational development before. When it built Lake Possum Kingdom west of Fort Worth on the Brazos River, it built a 1,200-acre park to go with it. The park has since been donated to the Parks and Wildlife Department for operation and maintenance.

The Corps of Engineers and BRA are working on a recreational plan for Millican Lake to be submitted as part of the "Phase I General Design Memorandum," which will be presented to Congress next year.

Wells said a large recreational area "of possibly 1,000 acres" with boat ramps and campsites is tentatively planned for the west shore of the lake near Bryan-College Station and a similar facility is planned across the lake. There will be at least 100 developed campsites around the lake, he said, and the BRA will have to supply sanitation and water supply for them.

The BRA will be responsible, again on a matching fund basis, for new roads created within recreational areas. (Highways 6 and 30, which will be partially flooded by the lake, will be elevated above the lake water level as part of the general construction costs of the dam.)

Wells said he has no idea what these projects will cost, but he did describe it as "significant."

Kindergarten pre-registration being held today

Children entering first grade who did not attend A&M Consolidated kindergarten must register at the school in their area.

Students who will be entering first grade at South Knoll will pre-register in the office during regular

school hours.

Pre-registration for all students who will be entering the kindergarten program and all entering first graders living in the College Hills area will be held in the College Hills cafeteria from 9 to 11 a.m. and in the principal's office from 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Children are required to have a copy of their birth certificate, immunization record and any kindergarten academic record to pre-register.

Immunization requirements for all children include three polio shots with one booster after the fourth birthday three DPT (or DT) shots with one booster after their fourth birthday, measles and rubella vaccination and a TB test.

Robert Garner, A&M Consolidated kindergarten director, has announced that pre-registration for kindergarten and first graders for the 1975-76 school year is being held today and tomorrow.

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