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Corps seeks bids for Philpott Lake facility improvements

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is currently seeking bids to renovate its Goose Point recreation area renovation, and for a marina concession either at the former Twin Ridge site in Franklin County, or at the Philpott Park Group Camping Area in Henry County.

Goose Point to be Renovated:

Bids for the Goose Point renovation must be submitted by January 8th. The items that will be improved or replaced include a new shower building, new and bigger camp sites, a new entrance station, new utilities, improvements to the amphitheater, handicapped access to the fishing area, and road repairs.

The Corps seeks to start construction on renovations this February or March. "We expect the recreation area may be under construction for nine months, and therefore Goose Point will be closed this recreation season," said Project Manager Carl Smith. "We invite the public to enjoy other recreation areas on Philpott Lake during this time."

New Marina Concessionaire sought:

The Corps' Application for Lease requests proposals for the construction, operation and maintenance of marina concession facility under a lease agreement with the Government.

Applicants may consider two sites, only one of which will be developed as a marina. The first site, a 31-acre area known as "Twin Ridge Park" is located in Franklin County, Virginia. The second site, a 54-acre area known as the Philpott Park Group Camping Area, is located in Henry County, Virginia.

Marina applications will be due in March, and a pre-application conference is scheduled for February 7th, 2002. Interested parties may contact Carl Smith at (276) 629-4512. ext. 224, or Sherry Oenbrink at (919) 542-6393.

