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Corps to continue water release rate

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at Rathbun Lake, located in South Central Iowa, will continue releasing a higher than normal discharge through the fall of 2008.

The Corps of Engineers intends to continue releasing 1,500 cubic feet per second of water from Rathbun Lake because water levels are about 17 feet higher than they normally are at this time of the year. The Corps expects water levels to reach normal levels by mid-November and will decrease its release rate at that time.

“The Corps would normally reduce its water releases to increase protection for downstream areas during harvest,” said Ed Parker, hydrologist with the Corps in Kansas City. “But Rathbun Lake is higher than normal, and we do not expect this release rate to have any effect on the remaining crops downstream.”

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