



# News Release

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## **U. S. Army Corps of Engineers advises against boating at Tuttle Creek Lake**

MANHATTAN, Kans. – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at Tuttle Creek Lake is advising boaters to refrain from launching and using the lake for the duration of the current flood event.

The lake is expected to peak at about 25 feet above normal over the weekend. All of the boat ramps on the lake are currently under water and closed. A significant amount of floating debris has made the lake unsafe for boating.

“We strongly suggest that boaters keep off of the water until the high water and drift conditions improve,” said Brian McNulty, Operations Manager. “Boaters need to keep in mind that besides the visible floating debris, unseen partially submerged debris is even a greater hazard.”

It has been twelve years since Tuttle Creek Lake levels have reached current elevations, and that means that a large amount of dead trees and other debris have accumulated and are now floating in the water. The Corps estimates about fifty acres of drift are floating on the lake surface near the dam with more debris making its way down the lake.

For current lake information, contact the Corps of Engineers at (785) 539-8511.

For current information call (816) 426-6320 or (816) 389-2427 and for additional Corps news regarding storm-runoff management visit the District Flood 2007 web page at [www.nwk.usace.army.mil](http://www.nwk.usace.army.mil) (click on "Flood 2007 Information" link).

Additional online links to water levels can be found at [www.crh.noaa.gov](http://www.crh.noaa.gov) (click on "Advanced Hydrologic Prediction Service" link).

For the past 100 years, the Kansas City District has been providing flood damage reduction and related support to the heartland. For more information, call the Kansas City District Public Affairs office at (816) 389-3486. [www.nwk.usace.army.mil](http://www.nwk.usace.army.mil)