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## **Corps of Engineers announces Lake Georgetown's Jim Hogg boat ramp closure**

*FORT WORTH, TEXAS*– The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Fort Worth District announces the closure of Jim Hogg boat ramp at Lake Georgetown due to drought conditions. Low water levels have made it unsafe for people to launch most watercraft. Only vessels that can be hand carried such as canoes and kayaks can still be launched. Corps officials recommend boaters use Russell Park or Cedar Breaks Park boat ramps.

Changing lake levels and drought conditions have brought submerged hazards close to or above the water's surface bringing new hazards to boaters. The low lake levels have exposed rocks, submerged trees, sandbars as well as other potential hazards. The prudent boat operator must remain vigilant at all times and keep a proper lookout for such hazards. Boaters and watercraft operators are required to operate at slow speeds so as not to create a wake and to use caution when launching boats from ramps.

For more information contact the Lake Georgetown Office at (512) 819-9046.

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About the Fort Worth District: The Fort Worth District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers was established in 1950. The District is responsible for water resources development in two-thirds of Texas, and design and construction at military installations in Texas and parts of Louisiana and New Mexico. Visit the Fort Worth District Web site at: [www.swf.usace.army.mil](http://www.swf.usace.army.mil)