

Lake Levels for 2008

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NO JANUARY DRAW-DOWN:

Greenwood County took a pre-emptive strike against the drought by seeking special permission to forego the January draw-down. It looks very promising that we will be successful in our goal of starting the spring and summer months with a full lake. As of this morning, the lake is less than one foot below the normal summer levels.

We still have to be prepared to react to sporadic heavy rains. If a strong storm appears likely, we may have to drop the lake in order to prevent flooding conditions.

HIGH FEBRUARY LAKE LEVELS:

We are still on target to raise the lake by an additional one foot during the month of February. We are already having aerial photos taken of Greenwood County. If lake levels reach the 440 contour while the planes are still in Greenwood County, the pilots will immediately move to the lake. Our goal is to document the location of the 440 contours on the photos, so that we can put that information on County's GIS website.

STAY TUNED:

Please remember, these are plans only. We are required to consult with the regulatory agencies frequently. These plans can change. There are no guarantees. Please make your plans accordingly.

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