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Flooding Leads to Closures at Land Between the Lakes - Exercise Caution

Land Between the Lakes , KY/TN - February 28, 2018 - U.S. Forest Service officials at Land Between the Lakes warn visitors of rising lake levels that will close many facilities beginning March 1.

Hillman Ferry, Energy and Piney Campgrounds, basic camping, and dispersed camping will be closed starting March 1 and not reopen until facilities are safe for the public.

"We care deeply about visitor safety and resource conservation," said Land Between the Lakes Area Supervisor Tina Tilley. "Wet conditions are submerging many campgrounds, boat ramps, and roads so we've closed areas for public safety. Please do not enter flooded areas."

Tilley warns that resources are easily damaged during wet conditions and rising lake levels will make conditions progressively worse. "The soil is saturated and vulnerable to erosion so we ask people to limit travel at Land Between the Lakes until this flood event is over. Erosion and moving debris may contribute to unexpected travel hazards and recovery for stranded visitors could be delayed as conditions deteriorate."

The current lake levels for Kentucky Lake and Barkley Lake can be found online at: <https://www.tva.gov/Environment/Lake-Levels>

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