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Construction Update: Neighbors to Benefit From Sound and Light Barriers

In an effort to ease the impact of construction on our neighbors, we will be erecting sound and light barriers on top of Boone Dam's earthen embankment. "We are trying to minimize the impact of our around-the-clock construction work on the surrounding homes by building the sound barrier," said Construction Manager Kevin Holbrook. Kevin says the tan, fabric wall will be 16 feet high, 900 feet long and will run the length of the earthen embankment. It will be 4-6 feet wide. The photo at left, taken during last week's media update, shows an overview of the work on top of the earthen embankment.

Boone Project Manager: "On Schedule for Five to Seven Year Timeline"

Project Manager Sam Vinson (right, during a media interview at the new beach) told reporters the project remains on schedule for the five-seven year timeline. "Safety is always our overriding priority and the actions we take every day are intended to help ensure the safety of the public as well as our own team members," Sam said. "The Boone Project remains on schedule to safely complete the proposed repair in the 2020-2022 timeframe, as discussed during the July 2015 public meeting."



Boone Beach: Popular with Fishermen, Swimmers and Sunbathers

Over the Memorial Day weekend, families, fishermen and boaters flocked to the new Boone beach and boat ramp, putting those facilities, picnic areas, grills and walkways to good use. "We want everyone to know that Boone Lake is open for public recreation and enjoyment," said Natural Resources Director Bucky Edmondson. The beach is located at 685 Minga Road.

National Dam Safety Awareness Day: May 31

Keeping its dams performing well and the communities near them safe is a top priority for TVA. While safety is always important, it garners even more attention with the observance of National Dam Safety Awareness Day on May 31st.

National Dam Safety Awareness Day is held each year to commemorate the failure of the South Fork Dam in Johnstown, Pennsylvania in 1889. The dam failure resulted in the loss of more than 2,200 lives and was the worst dam failure in the history of the United States. This day also serves to encourage and promote individual and community responsibility for dam safety, as well as to provide information on what steps can be taken to prevent future catastrophic dam failures. A secondary goal is to promote the benefits dams offer to communities.

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