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Recreation Vision Statement
For the Logan Martin Development

The Logan Martin Development offers outstanding fishing opportunities, which support numerous tournaments and tourism in the local area, particularly for Pell City. There are two very different types of recreational use areas on the reservoir. The north end of the reservoir (approximately above Riverside or Interstate 20) is more riverine while the southern end is wider creating more of a lake setting and supporting a wider range of recreation activities, including more sailing activity than on other Coosa reservoirs. Most of the recreation facilities are in the lower part of the lake.

The Talladega side of the reservoir is less developed and has more open land. However, this is expected to change over time due to increasing development pressures associated with new industry in the area and the influence of Interstate 20 as a growth corridor.

The long-term vision for the Logan Martin Development is to provide for a diversity of recreation opportunities (including fishing, motorized boating, sailing, and swimming), to protect the fishery, and to enhance public access and facilities.

Improvements to be considered at the Logan Martin Development include:

- Maintaining and enhancing public access for fishing, including tournaments, and other recreational activities.
- Investigating the potential for additional bank fishing facilities and access.
- Increasing sanitation facilities at existing public access points and investigating the need for additional pump-out facilities.
- Improving notification and communication regarding flood events.
- Promoting measures, in coordination with the Department of Public Health and others that will reduce fish toxicity to safe, consumable levels such that fish advisories are no longer necessary.
- Managing recreation use to the extent possible so as to minimize potential conflicts with shoreline property owners as well as other recreation users.
- Managing lake levels in the winter to improve boating access, including access to sloughs, by minimizing the occurrence of surface elevations below 462', recognizing the need to meet flood control, power generation, and downstream flow responsibilities at Logan Martin.