

Handshake Partnership Program Final Project Close-Out Report

1. Fiscal Year Selected as Winning Project: FY23
2. Name of Corps Project/Lake: Dale Hollow Lake
3. District / Division of Corps Project/Lake: LRN/LRD
4. Handshake Project Name: Moody Access Improvements
5. Amount of Handshake Funds remaining: \$0
6. What has been accomplished? Please provide photographs; before, during, and after!:

Dale Hollow Lake staff teamed up with partners from Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency (TWRA), Music City Trout Unlimited (TU), Friends of Dale Hollow Lake and Clay County Government to enhance and refurbish Moody Access/ Recreation area. The fishing piers had become unstable and dilapidated due to age and the instability caused by the rise and fall of the Obey River just down stream of Dale Hollow Dam. Through the efforts of each partner, we were able to demolish and replace one pier, refurbish a second pier, and resurface and add safety railing to a third, making it handicapped accessible. The photos below tell the story.



Before photo of dilapidated pier 1 that was removed and replaced



After photo of pier 1 replaced with concrete structure

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Before photo of pier 2



After photo of pier 2 with new decking and safety railing

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Before photo of concrete pier 3 with spalling surface and failing handrails



After photo of concrete pier 3 with new concrete surface, safety railing and ADA accessible sidewalk

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Sloughing of riverbank and roadway (before)



Bank stabilization efforts (after)

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Partners pictured left to right – Clay County Mayor- Dale Reagan, Friends of Dale Hollow Lake- Toni Johnson, Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency -Justin Spaulding, Music City Chapter Trout Unlimited - Arthur Smith, USACE-Tyler Matthews, Friends of Dale Hollow Lake -Dan Rossman, USACE-Crystal Tingle, Clay County Chamber of Commerce-Doug Young

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	Total
Handshake Program Funding Amount	\$25,000
Local Corps Office Funds (total expended on labor, materials, contracts, etc.)?	\$12,200
Partner's Contributions (total value of funds, goods, services, volunteer hours, etc.)	
Partners Name	Total Value of Contributions
1 Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency	\$1,5914.63
2 Music City Trout Unlimited	\$6,486.15
3 Friends of Dale Hollow Lake	\$1,445.84
4 Clay County	\$2,143.36
5	\$
6	\$
7	\$
8	\$
9	\$
10	\$

6. Handshake Program Recipient Feedback

Please take this opportunity to provide feedback on all aspects of the Handshake Program and the Challenge Partnership Agreement authority. Your productive comments are important to the ongoing improvement of the program. Make sure to let us know how the Handshake funds have benefited your efforts to initiate and/or strengthen your partnerships.

This project has revitalized a fishing access area by rebuilding, refurbishing existing and creating an ADA accessible fishing pier to ensure access for all users. We were able to simultaneously stabilize the stream bank and use more robust materials to ensure maximum longevity of the structures and minimize future maintenance, all while knocking out backlogged maintenance. We were able to bring together all partners with interest in the area to accomplish this work. It has been vocalized by many in the local community how great the project turned out and how the improvements have helped with fishing access. Furthermore, we have built a really good relationship with TWRA that ended up leading to another partnership project consisting of a rather large scale fish habitat improvement in the lake. All this combined has enhanced the Corps' reputation with partners and the local community.

7. Handshake Summary:



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Moody Access Area Enhancements Dale Hollow Lake Handshake Agreement (2023 – 2024)

The Dale Hollow Lake, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers maintains and operates Moody Access Recreation Area, located in Celina, TN. The recreation area consists of 3 fishing piers and a boat launch providing key access to the Obey River. This area is a renowned trout fishery and is routinely stocked by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Dale Hollow National Fish Hatchery. The area is utilized by over 20,500 annual visitors. Prior to the enhancement project all fishing piers were in poor condition and becoming dilapidated, with no pier up to ADA standards. The roadway and shoreline were eroding and sloughing creating a potential safety hazard and threatening the integrity of the piers.

The handshake agreement and contributions from volunteers and partners such as Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency, Music City Trout Unlimited, Friends of Dale Hollow Lake, and Clay County government in cooperation with USACE made enhancements to this area possible. Installation of new signage was performed in conjunction with the lake's friends' group, Friends of Dale Hollow Lake, and volunteers were utilized in removal of the old fishing piers. This opportunity allowed both USACE and the partners to work together on-site



to complete a needed project for the community. With partner contributions, riprap was installed to prevent further erosion and new fishing piers were constructed. One pier was constructed with concrete to ensuring that it will be long lasting and sustainable, another was refurbished following ADA guidelines to ensure accessible use to the public. This project increased safety and ease of use for recreators. This partnership has further enhanced the Corps' reputation as the leading provider of outdoor recreational opportunities in the area.

