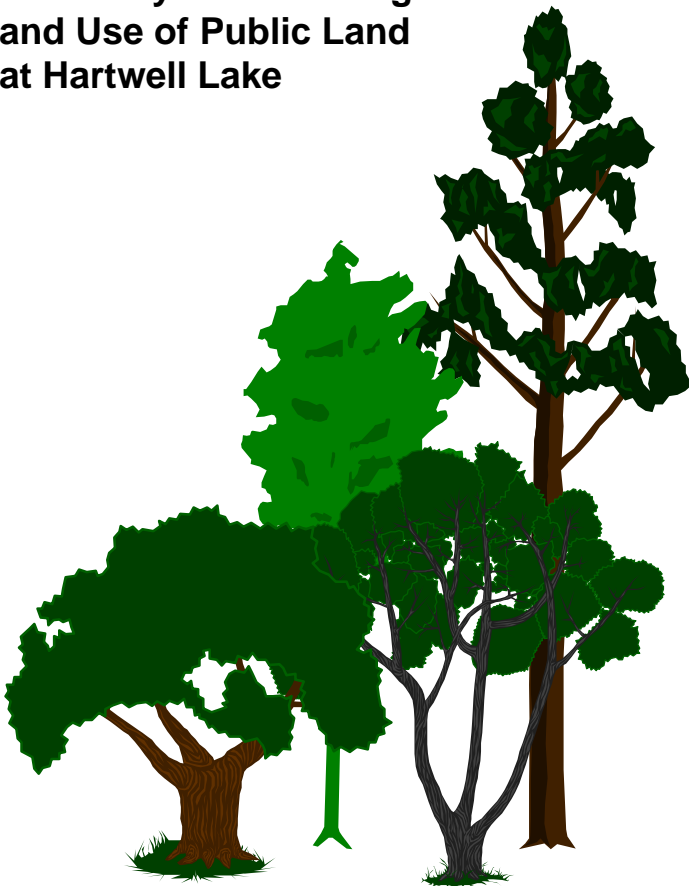




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Hartwell Project Boundary Line Information

Boundary Line Markings and Use of Public Land at Hartwell Lake



Introduction

With 56,000 acres of water, 23,530 acres of land and a shoreline of 962 miles, Hartwell Lake is one of the Southeast's largest and most popular public recreation lakes. Sound management of this resource is necessary to protect and preserve the project for future generations while providing quality recreation opportunities for today's visitors. Management must insure a balance between public recreation use, private lake access, and the conservation of project resources. Management must consider possible use conflicts between the general public and the owners of private property adjacent to the project.

Private Use

The Shoreline Management Plan furnishes guidance for the protection and preservation of desirable environmental characteristics of the Hartwell Project shoreline. Copies of the plans are available from the Project Managers Office.

Public land adjacent to the lake is delineated into different areas of use. This designation of public land allows specific types of private use in certain areas around the lake. Private use is controlled through a permit/license program which may allow individuals with approved access to public land to construct and/or install specific facilities, such as a boat dock, water and electric lines. Although private facilities may be authorized, the ownership of adjacent private land does not convey any exclusive rights to the use of public land. The placement of structures, or special use of public land without prior written authorization or contrary to the terms of the authorization, may constitute an encroachment.

An encroachment is the construction, placement, or continued existence of any structure or item of any kind under, upon, in, or over the project lands or waters and/or the destruction, injury, defacement, removal or any alteration of public property including natural formations, historical and archaeological features, and vegetative growth unless said activity is authorized in writing.

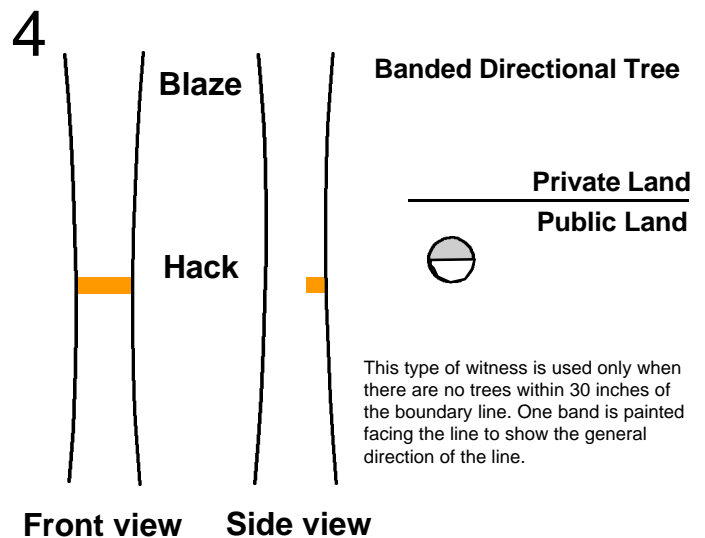
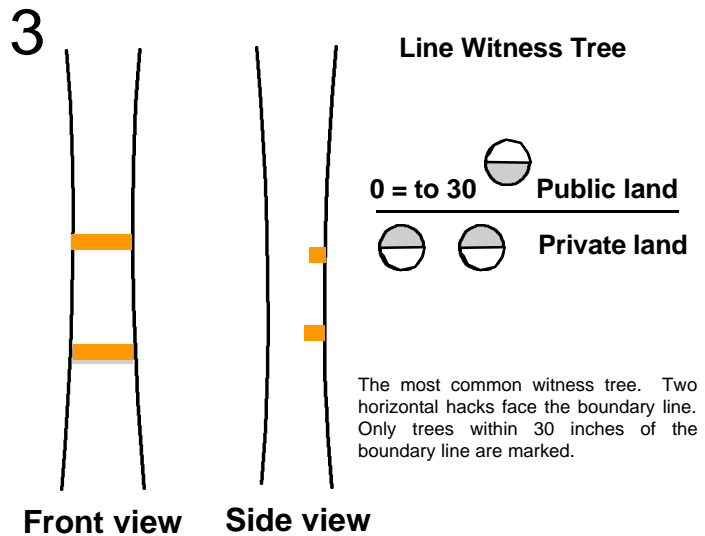
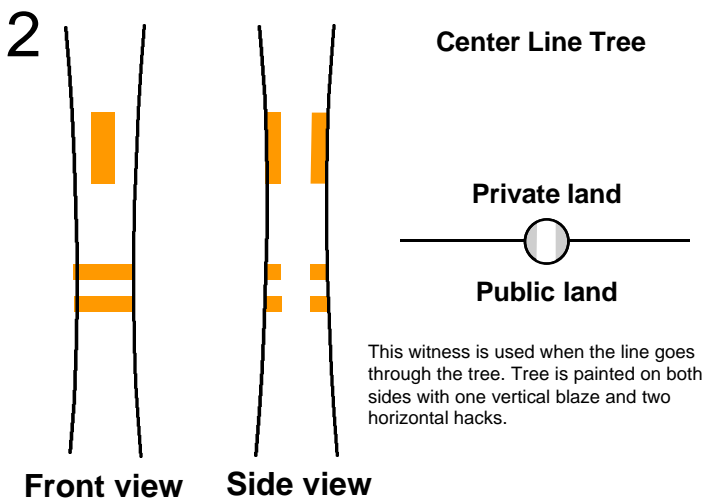
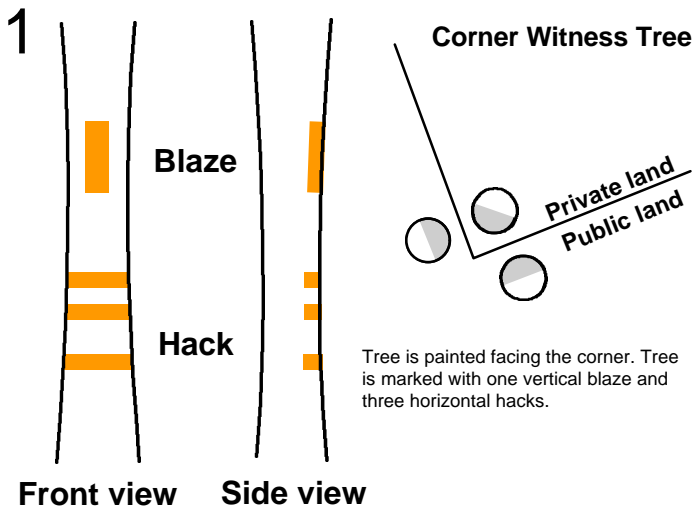
Past experience has proven that lot pins do not always agree with the established boundary line. In order to prevent encroachments, we advise adjacent property buyers/owners to obtain the services of a licensed surveyor to verify the property line prior to purchase and/or construction. Discrepancies between private surveys and the boundary line established by Hartwell Project monuments must be resolved to help prevent encroachments. Please contact the Hartwell Project Office if you have any questions concerning the boundary line. Preventing encroachments with accurate surveys is always more desirable than removal and/or alteration of houses, decks, roof overhangs and other structures.

EXHIBIT VII

The Corps of Engineers requests the help of all citizens in preventing encroachments on the public land. To assist in identifying the public property at Hartwell, an extensive boundary line maintenance program exists which includes the brushing out and painting of the boundary line every 3 to 5 years. Portions of the boundary are resurveyed every year to document encroachments and replace missing or damaged boundary monuments. Specific boundary data can be obtained through the Project Manager's office free of charge.

Boundary Line Witness Markings

"Painting of the Line" actually means painting witness trees near the boundary line. At the Hartwell Project, orange paint is used to paint the witness trees along the 840 miles of boundary. Drawings 1 through 4 illustrate the different types of markings and describe their meanings.



If you have questions about the location of the boundary line, contact the Hartwell Project Manager's Office at (706) 856-0300 or (888) 893-0678. A field appointment with a Corps ranger can be scheduled to assist you in locating the boundary line or in answering any other questions you may have concerning encroachments and our permit/license program.

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