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## Bois d'Arc Lake Project Featured: "First New Major Reservoir in Decades"

The Bois d'Arc Lake project was recently featured in Texas Contractor magazine in a story titled, "[First New Major Reservoir in Decades Under Development in Fannin County.](#)" The article highlighted the numerous recreational as well as economic and environmental benefits the project will provide.

"A project such as this benefits not just our local tax base by helping to bring in more people who will spend their money in Fannin County, but it also encourages businesses to start up to help serve the increased traffic," stated Dale McQueen, Executive Director of the Bonham Area Chamber of Commerce. "We are thankful that NTMWD has had the foresight to continue this project over the past 15 years ... and we look forward to working with them over the next few decades to help make this a wonderful success for both them and Fannin County."

Read the entire story on [Texas Contractor's website.](#)



## NTMWD Board Sees Work in Action

It's always rewarding for our Board of Directors to see first-hand the exciting progress on our construction. On July 16<sup>th</sup>, the NTMWD Board of Directors did just that, catching a piece of the action as work continues on Bois d'Arc Lake.

“The construction site is so mammoth in proportion that it is hard for anyone to conceive of it unless you’ve seen it... The size of the overall project is just mind-boggling,” shared Board President Don Gordon (Garland).

“This is very exciting,” agreed Larry Parks, Board Vice President (Rockwall). “We’ve worked on this for 13 years. We’re a couple years now from bringing water to our citizens in the northeast area in Texas of about 1.7 million people... What makes me most proud is the legacy of water in Texas—giving back to our families and our grandchildren (generations to come).”

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## Project Progress During July 2019

For regular, updated information on the various projects under construction to create Bois d'Arc Lake and deliver its water, visit the [Project Reports page](#) on [boisdarclake.org](http://boisdarclake.org).

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Work completed over the past month includes:

- Building/connecting sections of the lake dam.
- Increasing height of intake tower walls and working on the conduits to move lake water through the tower (to be pumped out for treatment).
- Continued pouring of concrete for all buildings of the Leonard Water Treatment Plant.
- Final preparations for installation of the raw water pipeline to carry water from Bois d'Arc Lake to the Leonard Water Treatment Plant.
- Placing substructure/columns and laying deck panels for the new FM 897 bridge.
- Building bridges and paving county roads, with three currently near completion.
- Continuing stream restoration, planting grassland cover crops, plowing and herbicide treatments in mitigation areas.



# BOIS D'ARC LAKE VIDEO

The dry weather during July made for a busy month of construction on the reservoir.

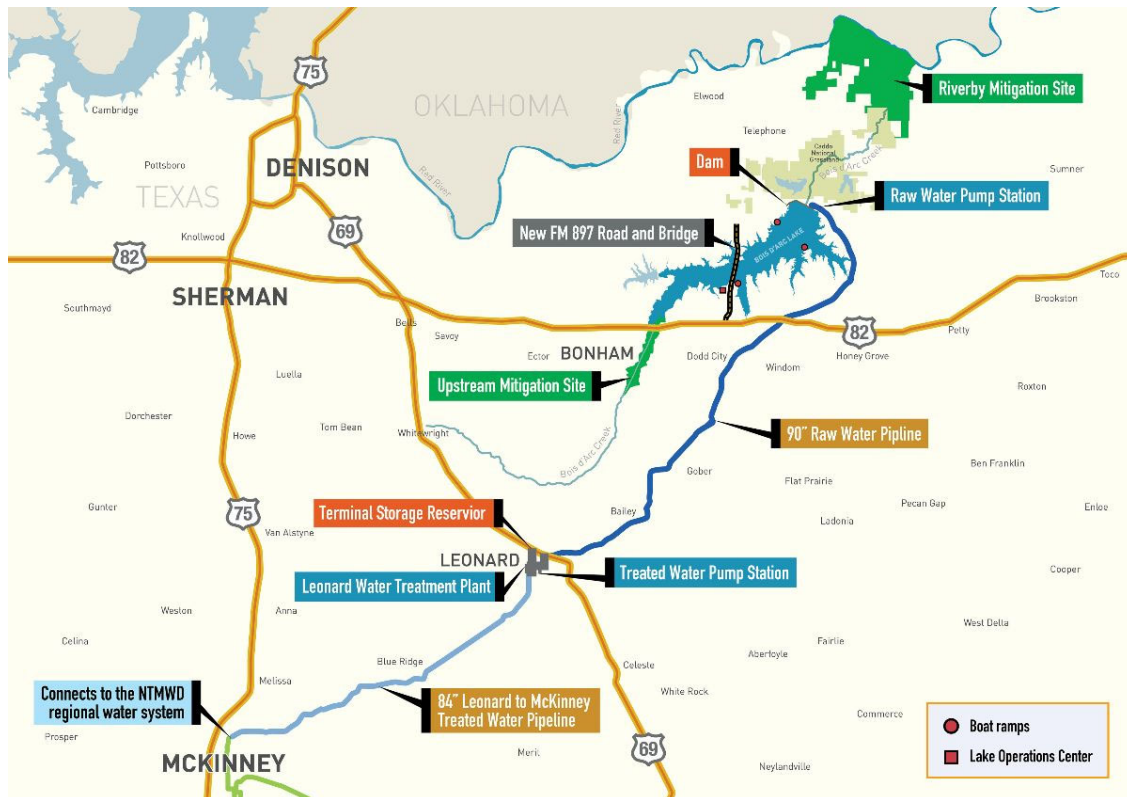
**WATCH** the highlights in this month's Bois d'Arc Lake Video.

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**Lake Facts at a Glance**

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**STORAGE CAPACITY** = 367,609 acre feet  
**LAKE SURFACE AREA** = Just over 26 square miles  
**SUPPLY** = Firm yield of 108 million gallons of water per day  
**RECREATIONAL USE** = boating, fishing and more



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