

# Draper Lake Update



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## Atoka Pump Station Project Ahead of Schedule

Water from Atoka Lake began to flow into Draper on Friday, February 25, 2011, bringing the Atoka Pump Station Rehabilitation Project to closer to an end – four months ahead of schedule.

The project began in August 2009, and the water level in Draper Lake began to lower as pumps were shut off periodically. This allowed for the installation of 24 new pumps and rehabilitation of six pump stations along the 100-mile pipeline from Atoka to Draper.

The project is now expected to be completed in May 2011. However, it will take time for Draper Lake to refill. The water level is expected to reach a level high enough to allow recreational use by October 2012.



*Raw water from Atoka Lake 100 miles away begins to fill Draper Lake.*

## Other Improvement Projects Under Way

In the meantime, the low lake level has created a great opportunity to conduct other improvement projects, such as:

- A new breakwater that will reduce the intensity of wave action around the marina boat ramp and prevent shore erosion.
- Repaved boat ramps around the lake
- New floating courtesy dock at Marina Point
- More than 100 new wet stalls



*A new breakwater is under construction at Draper Lake.*

These projects should be ready for use by the fall of 2012.

## Draper Free of Debris

Oklahoma City crews took advantage of the low water level and removed trash and debris from the lake bed and shores.



Since July, crews have removed 279 tires, 976 bags of small trash such as bottles and cans, and 60 cubic yards of large items including ice chests and refrigerators. Also 6 vehicles have been removed from the lake.

Please help us keep Draper free of debris, trash and items that shouldn't be in the water once the lake reopens for recreational use.

## Water Supply Since 1960

Draper Lake is one of Oklahoma City's six water supply reservoirs. It was built by the Oklahoma City Water Utilities Trust in 1960. Today, Draper Lake provides water to about half of the citizens in the Oklahoma City metro area.