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Beaver Lakeside Map Available to Public

Beaver Water District, in partnership with Audubon Arkansas, has published a Beaver Lake Watershed Lakeside Map. The map, which features the lake on one side and information about best management practices on the other side, is free to the public while supplies last. To receive a copy, send your name and mailing address to cchandler@bwdh2o.org.

A watershed is an area of land that drains water, sediment, and dissolved materials to a common receiving body or outlet, which in this case is Beaver Lake. This map is focused on the area of land immediately draining to the lake. Since Beaver Lake is the primary source of drinking water for one in seven Arkansans, it makes sense to educate the public about potential sources of contamination that can impact the lake.

“The main message we want to get across to the public is that what you do in the watershed affects water quality in the lake,” said Amy Wilson, Director of Public Affairs for Beaver Water District. “We want people to connect the dots when they turn on their taps and get abundant, safe drinking water anytime they want it. We all have a responsibility to take care of our drinking water and to also care about other life forms that have to have clean water to survive and thrive. For example, when it’s time to fertilize your lawn or wash your car, we want you to think about what you are doing that could impact the quality of the water you drink.”

Audubon Arkansas’ mission is to conserve and restore natural ecosystems, focusing on birds, other wildlife, and their habitats for the benefit of humanity and the earth’s biological diversity.

Beaver Water District supplies drinking water to more than 300,000 people and industries in Fayetteville, Springdale, Rogers, Bentonville and surrounding areas. The District’s mission is to serve our customers’ needs by providing high quality drinking water that meets or exceeds all regulatory requirements and is economically priced consistent with our quality standards. For information, visit bwdh2o.org.

Northwest Arkansas’ Lakeside Area
Beaver Lake-White River Watershed
Beaver Lake-White River Watershed is one of seven subwatersheds in the Beaver Lake Watershed.
Beaver Lake Watershed is a part of the White River Watershed.
Beaver Lake is the drinking water source for one in eight Arkansans.

