GREETINGS TO ALL LAKE ASBURY RESIDENTS

We're on schedule as far as the south lake dam goes. The county authorities have graciously agreed to give us the dirt we need for the project. Commissioner Ronnie Robinson has been particularly helpful in getting this done. Many thanks are due to him. Our community has been well served by his assistance and dedication as our commissioner. We are fortunate to have him. The community association has tentatively agreed to allow us to store the dirt behind the community center. Carl Kocher has been heavily involved in the whole process required to get this project done, and has been working toward it for years. The community got lucky when Carl decided to move here. We're fortunate to have him with us. Your project engineer, Mike Kelter of Legacy Engineering is doing everything an engineer does, and then some. Mike's really looking out for us and is doing a great job. I asked, and the board agreed to when possible, give local businesses preference in doing the work on the dam project. We don't see any reason for out of town workers to be doing what our local businesses can do for the same price. Mike Kelter will see to this. The loan papers have been signed to start the project and construction is scheduled to start in October. The exact start date will be announced later, but for now it's looking like October 1. Carl Kocher asks everyone to check the new L.A.M.S.B.D. website for info regularly updated and to sign up for alerts to be sent out. Carl understands that stuff and is good at it. Give it a try! Everyone is gonna be asked to please stay off the exposed lake bottom except for bulkhead and dock work. Parents are asked to not allow their kids on the exposed lake bed, because of dangers (possible quicksand), mushy bottoms and the vegetation needs to be protected. When the water level is restored, this vegetation will be where the fish live. We need to protect that. There are so many things going on about the ongoing construction process that are too numerous to elaborate. Your L.A.M.S.B.D. board is heavily involved and giving of their time to get this done. We sure are lucky to have a community like this to call home. The way it's set up, the only traffic we have is from residents or guests. No thru traffic like some other areas. As you've seen me do on occasion, we can stop in the road with our golf carts to speak with someone and no one blows their horn for you to move or gives me the "finger". I like that, ain't it great! Try that in any other area. Neighbors wave at you from their yards. We have a few problems, but they will be resolved, and, as I said before, we still have a great place to live. At my age (70), I appreciate more things than I did when I was younger. I guess it shows in my writings, but that's O.K. I really enjoy being here and being one of you. The Henley road tribulation will pass and we'll get thru it. I supervise their work regularly and I know they're grateful for me and my dog's expertise. How they've ever built roads before without my dog watching is a wonder. Wave when you see me and know that I enjoy seeing you. We are all blessed to be here.

I am your neighbor and friend, William L. Futch Sr.

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LAMSBD Website Update, Page Two

Our website www.lakeasbury.us has under gone a major makeover, with the help of John Sarman, Website Creator & Consultant and Darla Mayo, Website Maintenance & Updater. E-Mail Alerts are generally completed by me, so don't blame John or Darla.

New colors and new website laylout. **Everything a resident would like to know about the SLAIP (South Lake Asbury Improvement Project) new spillway and slope improvement.** The District Engineer, Mike Kelter has done a yeoman's job providing a ton of detail. Main Menu, <u>click on District Engineer</u>. Detail info with drawings on the project, plus you can even follow the permitting process with SJRWMD.

Note the **SLAIP Time Lines:** These dates are subject to change as the project develops. Also be aware that Lake Asbury (known as the north lake to some) will be lowered to accommodate the water from South Lake Asbury prior to South lake Asbury being lowered. Our lake dynamics dictate that Lake Asbury leave room for the initial opening of South lake Asbury. You will note the lowering will be done over a two week period. The Lake Committee, led by Butch Huggins will do its best as South Lake Asbury is lowered, to keep Lake Asbury at normal water level. But remember, Mother Naturé has its own idea about rain amounts & runoff from Seminole Village and Henley Road. The committee can only guess. The valves are old and are turned by hand, but the Ben Gay Division of the Lake Committee will do its best. **Note that South Lake Asbury will be lowered four & half (4.5) vertical feet to accommodate construction.**

E-mail Alerts will be sent as time line dates change, so watch for the Branscomb Rd closing dates. Mike Kelter and Tom Petrucci, SLAIP Project Trustee are working with Clay County Emergency Management on how to handle fire & rescue issues during construction.

Please review Bill Futch's comments again on page one concerning lake use & lake safety.

The LAMSBD website is very transparent. If you have not taken a look, you will find many topics you always wanted to review. You can even get back on the old LAMSBD Website.

A Weather menu item on the website includes NOAA and local weather. Ask a Trustee a Question. Read old minutes, read the Army Corp of Engineers 1978 reports, review our financial statements, read old e-mail alerts, and more. Does anyone have website ideas?

<u>PLEASE SIGN UP FOR E-MAIL ALERTS</u>: lake lowering, water levels, emergency issues & more. Main Menu and click on Sign up for Alerts.

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