



Demonstration Laboratory

Land Between The Lakes National Recreation Area (LBL) is hereby designated

a demonstration laboratory to research, test, and demonstrate innovative programs and cost-effective management.

Goals of the Demonstration Laboratory:

1. To provide a smooth and equitable transfer of LBL from the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) to the U.S. Forest Service.
2. To assess the benefits and applicability of innovations implemented by TVA at LBL and to retain and export those innovations which provide value to the U.S. Forest Service.
3. To provide an opportunity to test new ideas and procedures in response to the needs of other units of the National Forest System.
4. To assure that a spirit of creativity and innovation is nurtured and valued within the agency, thereby promoting changes that will improve customer service, cost-effectiveness, and operational efficiency.
5. To provide a work environment for employees which promotes a sense of enthusiasm, pride, and value in exploring new ways of doing business.
6. To create a cooperative spirit with regional and national staff specialists in order to achieve a shared goal of reducing bureaucracy and improving agency processes and procedures.

In this pursuit,

all employees of the Chief's Office and the Regional Office, Southern Region, are hereby directed to support the demonstration laboratory role of Land Between The Lakes National Recreation Area. Every effort will be made to provide the maximum amount of flexibility possible to support the objectives of the demonstration laboratory.


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