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Dear Hillman Ferry and Piney Campers:

We hope you enjoyed your camping experiences this year at Land Between the Lakes. It is time to begin the process for the seasonal camping program for 2026. For your convenience, an application listing the available sites and rates in Hillman Ferry and Piney Campgrounds is enclosed. Applications are limited to one per individual and/or household.

If you are interested in applying for a seasonal site, please complete the application and return it to the address listed on the application by the dates below:

Hillman Ferry: January 2, 2026

Piney: January 9, 2026

PLEASE NOTE: The selection process will be completely virtual. After we receive your application, we will mail and email detailed information for the drawing.

If you wish to preview sites at Hillman Ferry or Piney Campground, you may do so anytime during the month of November during daylight hours. Hillman Ferry will be open December 6, 2025 and January 3, 2026, from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm for applicants to view sites. Piney will be open December 13, 2025 and January 10, 2026, from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm to view sites.

The selection process will be a true lottery. Applicants will receive a number before the drawing and, as their number is drawn, they will choose from the available sites. Applications for nine-month sites will be drawn first. Hillman Ferry nine-month applicants will have the option of selecting a six-month site (see application). After all nine-month applicants have been drawn, eight month applicants will be drawn, then seven, six, etc. until no sites or applicants remain. This selection process will be open completely virtual and will be held on the dates below:

Hillman Ferry: 9:00 am, January 10, 2026

Piney: 9:00 am, January 17, 2026

The lottery will be held on Saturday, January 10, 2026, for Hillman Ferry and Saturday, January 17, 2026, for Piney. Site selection is the responsibility of the applicant. **Please be familiar with the sites.** If you have questions about specific sites, please talk to the manager before the date of the drawing. Once an applicant has been drawn, a maximum of three minutes will be allowed for the applicant to call in and select from available sites. **Site selection must be made by the end of the three minutes.**



Once a site has been selected, payment will be required immediately in the form of credit/debit card only (Visa, MasterCard, or Discover). If you will be paying by debit card, be sure to notify your bank ahead of time so the transaction will not be declined.

Confirmed applicants will be mailed a permit for signature. Signed permit will be required to be returned no later than February 24, 2026.

If you have any questions about the process, please call Josh Prather at (270) 610-1834 for Hillman Ferry or Lei Dietz at 270-610-1849 for Piney. We appreciate your support for Land Between the Lakes and hope you will consider a seasonal camping experience either at Hillman Ferry Campground or Piney Campground this season.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jamey Thweatt", written in a cursive style.

JAMEY THWEATT
Recreation and Engineering Staff Officer

Enclosure

2026 SEASONAL CAMPING APPLICATION

Golden Age and Golden Access or Interagency Annual and Lifetime Senior and Interagency Access discount cards, or any other discount rates or coupons will not be applicable during the permit arrangement. **Subleasing of sites is prohibited.**

Please complete this application and mail to: Customer Service Department, Attention Wanda Crump, Land Between the Lakes, 100 Van Morgan Drive, Golden Pond, Kentucky 42211-9001. Applications must be received by the following dates:

Hillman Ferry - January 2, 2026

Piney - January 9, 2026

Name _____

Address _____
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Telephone (include area code) HOME _____

CELL _____

Email Address: _____

List names of all immediate household family members (living at the same address) staying in camping unit throughout permit period.

_____, _____, _____
_____, _____, _____
_____, _____, _____

Campground Choice (Check one): Piney _____ Hillman Ferry _____

Number of months requesting: _____

Date requesting: Begin _____ End _____
(Month) (Day) (Year) (Month) (Day) (Year)

Starting dates must begin with the first day of a month and length of stay must be in full month increments. (For example: Begin March 1, 2026; end November 30, 2026). Maximum length of time a permit will be awarded will be nine months.

PLEASE NOTE: ANY ATTEMPT TO SUBMIT A FALSE OR ADDITIONAL APPLICATION TO INCREASE AN APPLICANT'S CHANCE OF BEING SELECTED WILL RESULT IN THAT APPLICANT BEING RESTRICTED FROM APPLYING FOR TWO YEARS.

IMPORTANT

Please allow ample time for delivery as our mail is only delivered two days a week.

**** PLEASE RETURN THIS PAGE ****

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING:

- All permittees must abide by all Forest Service campground policies and regulations except as listed below.
- Any requests for changes to an application already submitted must be made by 4:30 p.m. on the deadline date.
- Applications are limited to one per individual and/or household. Applicant must be 18 years of age or older at time of application.
- Site will be paid in full on the day of the drawing.
- A permit is to run for consecutive months only. Permit not to exceed nine months.
- Permit is for **one** camping unit only.
- Camping unit must occupy the site within the first month of the permit.
- Permit is for one household. Only those family members listed above will be admitted as a family member, living at the same address. **Subleasing is not permitted.**
- **Three** vehicles are allowed per site, providing that issued vehicle tag is present. Any additional overnight vehicles and/or vehicles without a tag, will pay the vehicle fee. Please refer to campground regulations for parking policy. The permittee is responsible for the actions of visitors registered to the site.
- Permittee will be issued the three vehicle permits at the time the permit is approved. Permittee will be responsible for these permits. If permits are lost, please contact the Administration Office at Golden Pond for a replacement. A \$5 fee will be charged for all lost permits.
- Campground Manager must be notified in advance if camping unit is removed for an overnight period. If all items are removed from a site for a period of two weeks or longer, the site will be considered vacated, and the permit will be revoked.
- Permit agreement cancellation and refunds will be made due to death or severe illness only. Requests must be made in writing.
- **Gray and black water** discharge is prohibited according to state regulations except at designated dump stations.
- Permittee may be **required** to move or remove their camping unit prior to the end of the permit period in cases of flooding from high lake levels, lapses in government funding, or maintenance needs. Refunds are not guaranteed.
- **All camping equipment, firewood, vehicles, boats, canopies, including storage units, and external lights must be contained within the gravel impact pad of the permitted campsite.**
- **Permit holders are allowed one (1) 10x10 canopy for shade/shelter and one (1) 10x10 canopy for storage, or one (1) 10x20 canopy for a combination of shade/shelter and storage. No combination of the three will be allowed.**
- The campground Manager, prior to installation, must approve all storage units, portable decks, and/or patios. All storage units, portable decks, and/or patios must be on gravel impact pad and no post holes may be used for installation. Sites, picnic tables, or fire rings will not be altered to accommodate storage unit, portable deck, and/or patio placement. Storage units may not be larger than 10ft x 10ft in size. Portable deck or patio should not be more than one step (8 inches) high and no more than 5ft x 8ft in dimension and shall not be constructed off the gravel camping pad.
- Any camping unit or equipment not removed from the site at the end of the permit will be considered abandoned property and removed at the owner's expense.
- Please help us conserve electricity by limiting the number of outside lights on your site. Heaters, air conditioners, and lights must be turned off if the site is going to be unoccupied for more than a 24-hour period. **Failure to comply will result in the permit being revoked.**

- Permit holders are **not** to dig, plant or landscape on facility grounds. Examples not permitted are plants and flowers not in pots, TV dish antennas set in the ground, mailboxes set in the ground, and fencing.
- Permit holders must limit firewood on site to one rick of wood (a stack 1' by 4' by 8') and must be contained within the gravel impact pad.
- No advertisement for commercial and personal sales or sales of any kind on facility grounds without a Forest Service permit. No sales of any kind are allowed.
- **All trailers (utility, box, etc.) used for bringing in camping equipment will be removed from campground after unloading.** No storage or parking of trailers is allowed in the campground.

2026 Seasonal Campsites

Available sites at PINEY CAMPGROUND:

Black Oak Loop (30 amp electric only)

B-2, B-3, B-13, B-16, B-17, B-29, B-31, B-49, B-51, B-53, B-54, B-55, B-58, B-61, B-62, B-89, B-90, B-91, B-92

Chestnut Loop (30 amp electric only)

C-10, C-12, C-31, C-33

Loblolly Loop (30 amp electric only)

LL-239, LL-242, LL-245, LL-247, LL-248, LL-250, LL-251, LL-252, LL-253, LL-256, LL-257, LL-258, LL-259, LL-262, LL-263, LL-265, LL-271,
(50 amp electric only): L-246

Persimmon Loop (30 amp electric only)

P-201, P-202, P-204, P-205, P-206, P-207, P-209, P-210, P-223, P-225, P-226, P-228

Shortleaf Loop (30 amp electric only)

SL-311, SL-313, SL-314, SL-315, SL-316, SL-317, SL-318, SL-332, SL-337, SL-338, SL-339, SL-340, SL-341, SL-342, SL-343, SL-345

Sweetgum Loop (50 amp electric only)

SG-351, SG-356, SG-357, SG-358, SG-362, SG-365, SG-371

Virginia Loop (non-electric)

V-279, V-288

Available sites at HILLMAN FERRY CAMPGROUND:

IMPORTANT:

Due to annual flooding of campground, seasonal campsites below flood plain will be offered as a 6 Months permit only. If you are interested in a 6 months only site (listed below*), you need to apply for 9 months as 9 month applicants will have the option of choosing a 6 month site. These permits are projected to start June 1st and expire November 30th. These sites can be blocked and offered to permit holders up to 21 days prior to June 1st (or as soon as flood waters recede) and may be occupied by permit holder on a normal nightly rate until permit begins. The permit holder is responsible for contacting the facility manager to make these arrangements on or before May 1. You may be asked to wait until after June 1st to occupy site at the campground manager's discretion if spring floodwater does not recede in time for cleanup and repairs to be made.

9 Months:

Area A - (30 Amp Electric Only) Sites, 38, 40, 41, 46, 47, 51, 52, 54, 56, 57, and 63

(50 Amp Electric Only) Sites 35 and 39

(50 Amp Electric, Water Only) Sites 1, 2, 3, 7, 10, 12, 13, 14, and 15

Area B - (Electric Only) Sites 54, 55, 56, 57, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, and 64

Area C - (30 Amp Electric, Water Only) Sites 1, 5, 29, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, and 54

(50 Amp Electric, Water Only) Sites 20 and 30

(50 Amp Electric, Water, & Sewer) Site 103

Area D - (30 Amp Electric, Water Only) Sites 6, 22, 23, 32, 50, 52, 54, and 58
 (50 Amp Electric, Water Only) Sites 8, 12, 13, 19, 20, 24, and 47
 (30 amp Electric, Water, & Sewer) Site 9

6 Months*:

Area D - (30 Amp Electric, Water Only) Sites 26, 27, 28, 29, 51, 53, 55, and 56
 (50 Amp Electric, Water Only) Sites 25, 34 and 57

NOTE:

Due to freezing temperatures, water may not be available at campsites during early Spring and late Fall. Water may be shut off November 1 to April 15.

2026 HILLMAN FERRY AND PINEY STANDARD PERMIT FEE

Months	Basic	30 Amp Electric	50 Amp Electric	30 Amp Electric/Water	50 Amp Electric/Water	50 Amp Elec/Water/Sewer
3	\$ 600	\$1,155	\$1,260	\$1,470	\$1,680	\$2,052
4	750	1,458	1,590	1,855	2,120	2,601
5	900	1,733	1,890	2,205	2,520	3,105
6	1,050	2,008	2,220	2,590	2,960	3,654
7	1,200	2,255	2,490	2,905	3,320	4,113
8	1,500	2,503	2,760	3,220	3,680	4,572
9	2,000	2,750	3,000	3,500	4,000	4,986

PROJECTED UTILITY BILL

HILLMAN FERRY

3 Month = \$145 + Standard Permit Fee
 4 Month = \$193 + Standard Permit Fee
 5 Month = \$241 + Standard Permit Fee
 6 Month = \$294 + Standard Permit Fee
 7 Month = \$342 + Standard Permit Fee
 8 Month = \$386 + Standard Permit Fee
 9 Month = \$439 + Standard Permit Fee

PINEY

3 Month = \$114 + Standard Permit Fee
 4 Month = \$151 + Standard Permit Fee
 5 Month = \$189 + Standard Permit Fee
 6 Month = \$230 + Standard Permit Fee
 7 Month = \$268 + Standard Permit Fee
 8 Month = \$306 + Standard Permit Fee
 9 Month = \$344 + Standard Permit Fee

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