NORRIS LAKE







EXISTING TRAILS

- Norris Dam State Park: 15 miles
- Norris Watershed: 20 miles
- TVA Loyston Point: 10.5 miles
- Big Ridge State Park: 12 miles (Hiking Only)

Projects Underway

NORRIS DAM STATE PARK

- 2 additional miles of trail nearing completion
- 3 more miles of trail planned to be completed by the end of the year.
- Other potential trail opportunities are being evaluated.
- Loyston Point: TVA is adding a new 7.5-mile trail in the Fall of 2015.

Proposed projects for near future

- Building a connector trail on TVA property on the west side of Norris Dam. This would connect the west side of Norris Dam State Park to the east side of the park, which is already connected to Norris Watershed. This would tie together 35-40 miles of trail.
- Exploring the possibility of obtaining an easement from a landowner around Sequoyah Marina which would allow NDSP to be connected to the marina.



Potential routes for linking Norris Dam State Park to Marina



Long-Term Goals

- Create a network of hiking and biking trails all around Norris Lake that could be dubbed "Blue Trails," trails with a lake view.
- The trails could be accessed by land, but there would also be an opportunity for marinas to offer shuttle service for hikers and bikers to use these various trail systems.

Potential Locations for New Trails

- Big Ridge State Park: There are several hundred acres of the park that border the lake and are essentially unused.
- Island F: This Island in Union County is a 533-Acre Island in the middle of the lake that is unused except for illegal off-road use. A land bridge makes it accessible in the fall when the water is down.

Potential Locations Continued

- Anderson County Park: Approximately 100 Acres of land that is being unused and borders the lake.
- Cove Creek Wild Management Area
- Chuck Swan Wildlife Management Area

Anderson County Park



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Things to Consider

- This can be marketed on State and County websites.
- It can be marketed out of state and locally to increase tourism.
- This could potentially be replicated in other areas of the State

Conclusions/Benefits

- Increased tourism
- Increased revenue at marinas & campgrounds.
- Increased tax revenues for the affected counties.
- Potential new jobs as a result of the increased revenues.
- Use of State Parks and State land increases.