



Wolf Creek Dam

Jamestown, Russell County, Kentucky, United States

Coordinates: 36.871° N 85.145° W

Reservoir: Lake Cumberland

River: Cumberland River

Lake Elevation in Capture: 712 ft ASL

Hydroelectric Capacity: 270 Mw

Wolf Creek Dam was built by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in 1952. In addition to creating a reservoir for recreation and drinking water, it also produces enough energy to meet the needs of over 300,000 people. The dam includes a hydroelectric plant, a park, an educational center, a fish hatchery, trails, and campsites. Wolf Creek Dam is one of the most monitored dams in the world due to its risk of seepage and bursts, caused by it being constructed on limestone deposits. US Route 127 currently runs atop the dam, but construction on a new route is being developed to take strain off the dam.