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Wappapello, Missouri - Saturday, Congressman Jason Smith attended the Budweiser Clydesdales parade in honor of the 75th anniversary celebration of the completion of Wappapello Reservoir and Dam. Smith also presented Cynthia Jackson, the Operations Manager for Lake Wappapello, a Congressional Record in recognition of this celebration.

“Lake Wappapello provides unique outdoor recreational opportunities for Missourians and thousands of visitor’s across the country and it also showcases the beautiful landscape of the foothills of the Ozarks that I am proud to call home,” said Smith.

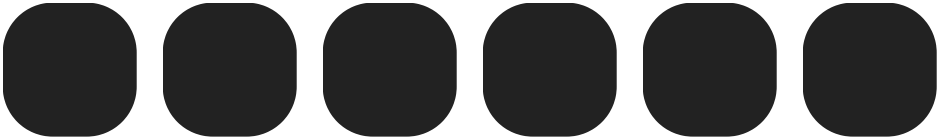
Lake Wappapello was constructed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers 75 years ago to help control flooding of the St. Francis River. Approximately 1.5 million visitors come to Wappapello every year to enjoy outdoor recreational activities including camping, fishing, boating and swimming. It is estimated that the Wappapello Dam provides \$3.9 million in flood protection to lands and buildings along the St. Francis River.

"I want to thank everyone who has worked tirelessly throughout the past 75 years to help preserve Lake Wappapello and its beautiful surrounding land. We are fortunate to have this national treasure located right here in Missouri, " stated Smith.

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