

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Philadelphia District, Northern Area **2019 PHOTO CONTEST CALENDAR**



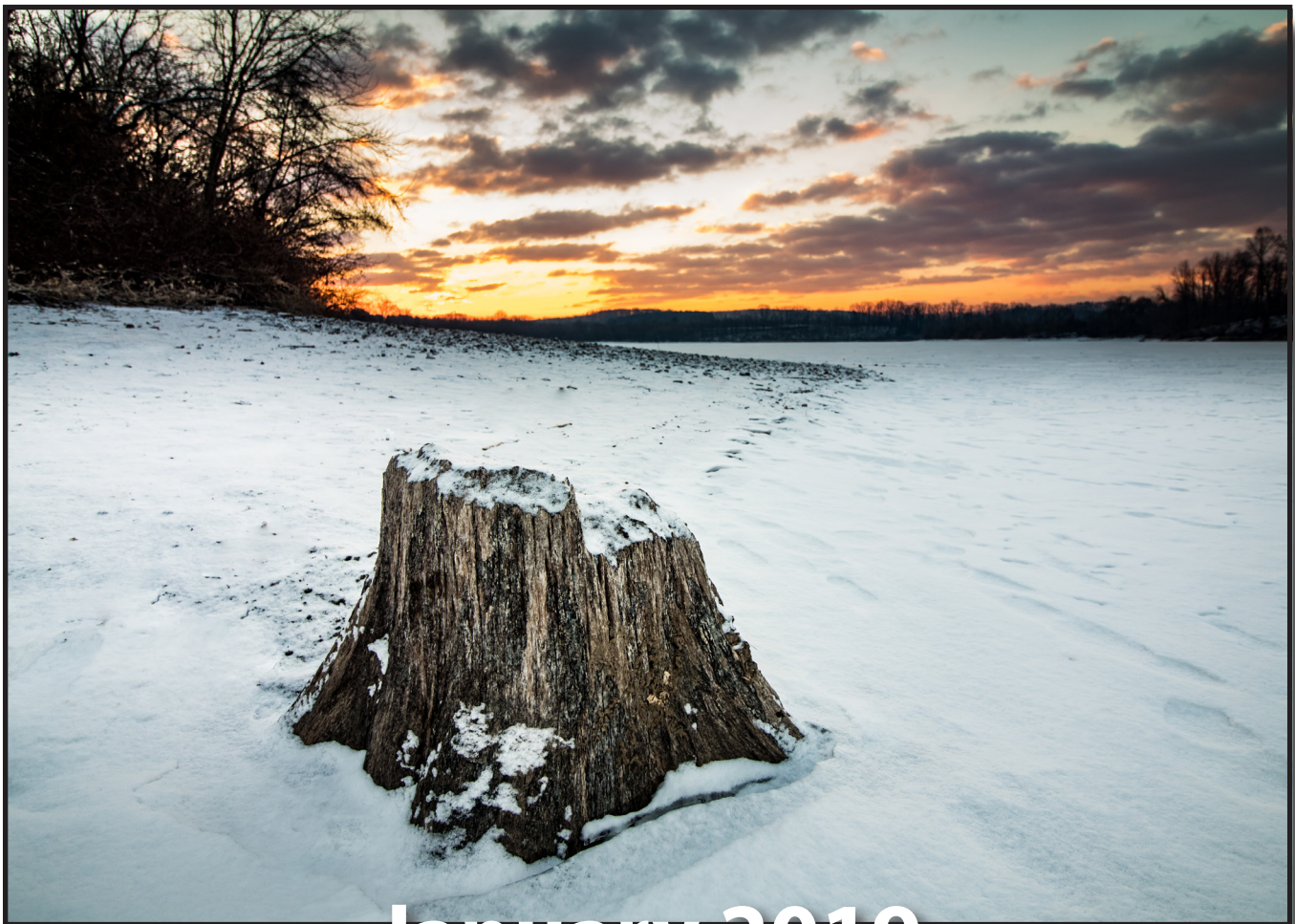
Autumn from the State Hill Overlook, Blue Marsh Lake. Photo by Francis C. Plucinsky

In 2018, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Philadelphia District ran a social media based photo contest for the public. Participants were encouraged to submit their best photos of the District's 5 dams in Eastern Pennsylvania: Blue Marsh Lake, Beltzville Dam, Francis E. Walter Dam, Prompton Dam, General Edgar Jadwin Dam and adjacent state park areas. Participants from across the region submitted photos. Then, the District invited the public to vote for their favorite photographs from each season.


We are pleased to present this downloadable calendar featuring the top 12 images. Thank you to all of the talented photographers for submitting photos and to the participants who voted!



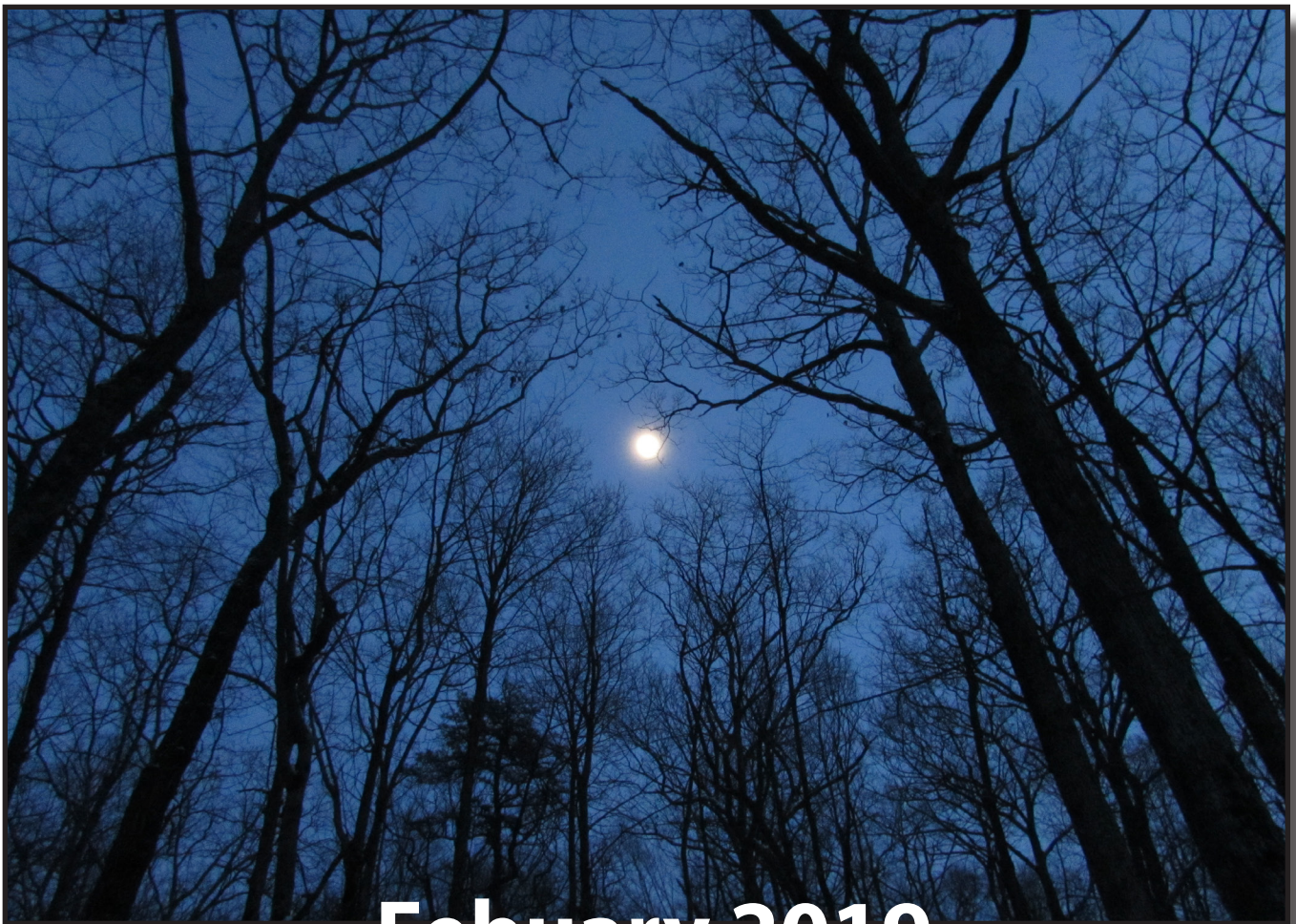
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January 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
With more than 36 miles of trails, 6200 acres of land, 1,148 acres of water, picnic areas, a small beach and boat launches, Blue Marsh Lake can accommodate all kinds of outdoor enthusiasts.		1	2	3	4	5
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Sunset over Snow, Blue Marsh Lake. Photo by Christopher Wiederspahn



February 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers maintains 1800 acres of federal property at the Francis E. Walter Dam. The project provides numerous recreational opportunities for outdoor enthusiasts.					1	2
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March 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Open cliff faces and fractured rock within the southerly facing tree line area at Francis E. Walter Dam provide prime habitat for rattlesnakes. Students East Stroudsburg University have studied the rattlesnake population at the project.					1	2
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April 2019

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28	29	30	Blue Marsh Lake property consists of 6200 acres of water and land resources including grasslands and meadow habitat for tree swallows and a variety of other birds. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has partnered with organizations and volunteers on best land management practices that benefit wildlife such as installing nesting boxes and maintaining open field spaces.			



Blue Heron taking off , Blue Marsh Lake. Photo by Cory Slifka



June 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>The Francis E. Walter Dam was constructed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in 1961 and has prevented more than \$220 million in flood damages. It also supports recreation in the Lehigh Valley with planned fishing and whitewater rafting water releases.</p>						1
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Reflections on dam during a summer fishing trip, F.E. Walter Dam. Photo by Fredrick Voelker



July 2019

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28	29	30	31	<p>The Army Corps works in partnership with PA DCNR and the PA Fish & Boat Commission to plan recreational water releases in the spring, summer and fall. The photo shows a water release of approximately 6,800 cubic feet per second. Due to an extremely wet summer, this rare release occurred in July, creating “class 5” whitewater downstream.</p>		

View from top of the dam of water being discharged, F.E. Walter Dam. Photo by Kimberly Ferlick



August 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>The great blue heron has year-round habitat in all but two states in the Continental United States (North and South Dakota). With a wingspan of 66–79 inches, it is the largest heron in North America.</p>				1	2	3
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Heron in flight, Blue Marsh Lake. Photo by Christopher Wiederspahn



September 2019

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22	23	24	25	26	27	28 National Public Lands Day
29	30	Home to more than 127 varieties of trees, shrubs, and plants, the Pocono Plateau is truly a spectacular sight during autumn. Vibrant colors encircle the lake inviting paddlers to enjoy the still waters at the Francis E. Walter Dam.				



October 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Prompton State Park provides boat launching and picnicking facilities to the 290-acre Prompton Lake, which is operated by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Twenty-six miles of hiking trails surround the lake.		1	2	3	4	5
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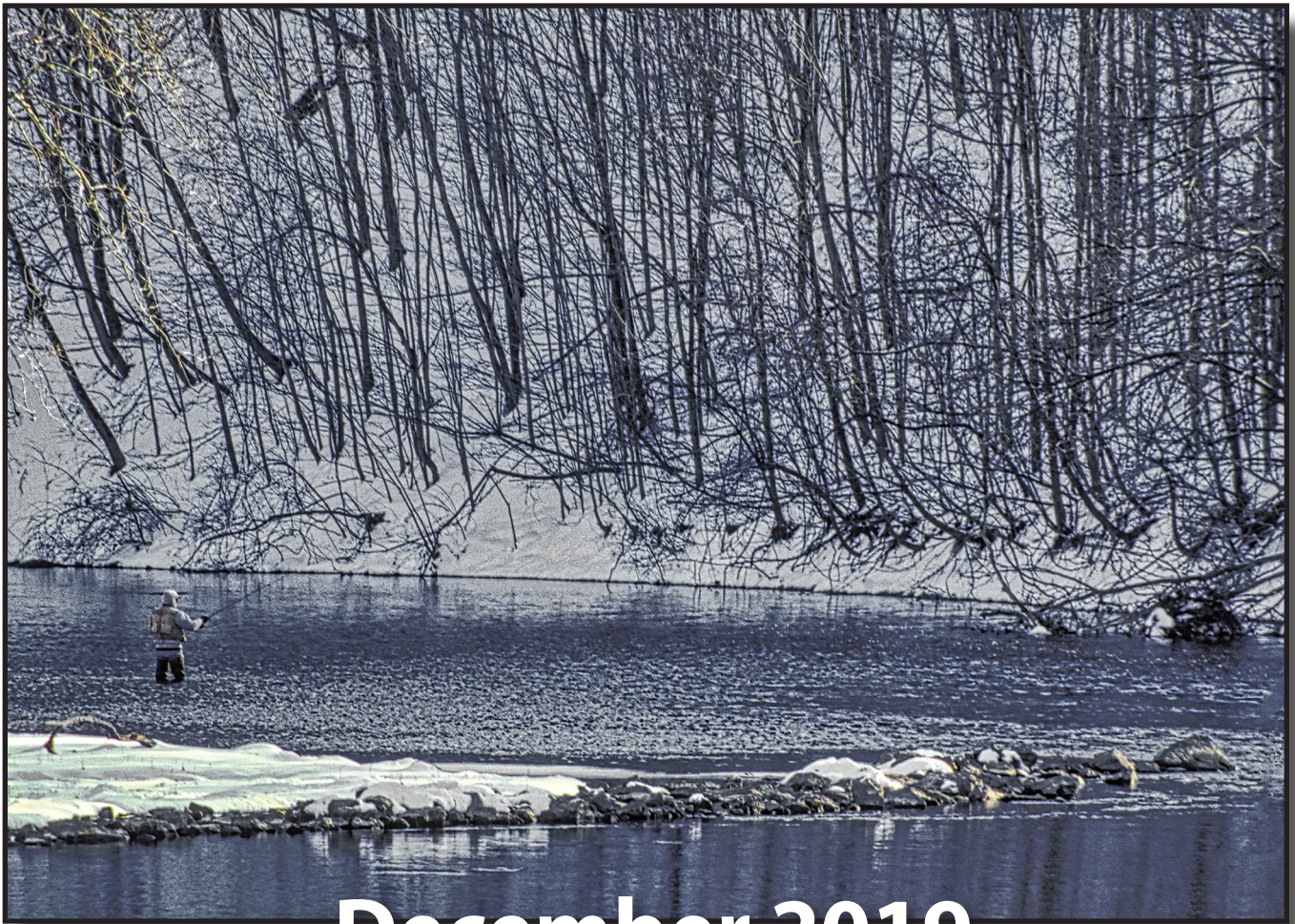
Sunset at Prompton Dam, Prompton Lake. Photo by Robert Jolley



November 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Blue Marsh Lake offers numerous water-related activities including swimming, fishing, kayaking, and boating (served by three boat launches). Always remember – wear a life jacket and take a course on boating safety before going out on the water!					1	2
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Fall at State Hill Boat Ramp, Blue Marsh Lake. Photo by Christopher Wiederspahn



December 2019

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29	30	31	Blue Marsh Lake provides year round recreation activities including fishing, hiking, and sight-seeing. The Tulpehocken Creek's waters provide excellent trout fishing opportunities supported by Blue Marsh's water quality mission.			

Winter fly fishing at the first deflector in the Blue Marsh Tailwater, Blue Marsh Lake. Photo by Francis C. Plucinsky