Corps Lakes Gateway

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Agenda

- Purpose of Visitor Pages
- Overview of National, State, and Lake pages
- Understanding the data
- How to submit the changes
- Checking for corrections
- Recommendations
- Questions

Take Notes

Things I like	Things I don't like

Questions I want to ask	Ideas I have for the site

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Purpose of the Visitor Pages

- Supporting Recreation.Gov
- Consistent Recreation information across all Lakes – with geographic reference
- Corporate Branding – same look and feel - what you see on the site you see on the lake
- Visualization and improvement of the OMBIL data resources
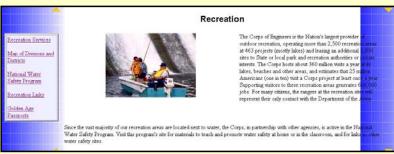
- Community approach linking to:
  - Travel and Tourism
  - Chambers of commerce
- Marketing our partners
  - Concessionaires
  - Lease holders
  - Support for Army
  - Friends
  - Partners

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What we have now…

- 3 different Recreation pages from Headquarters
- Variety of project websites
- Inconsistency at project level for recreation information
- OMBIL data that is incomplete
- Recreation.gov on the horizon

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Recreation Services for the Public

- 5 Links: National Volunteer program missing. Recreation links very limited. Golden Age information confusing.

Source: http://www.usace.army.mil/public.html#Recreation

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US Army Corps of Engineers
Recreation Services

Lakeside Recreation Brochures - The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers manages 4,340 recreation sites at 456 lakes and reservoirs. Follow this link to view all the Corps Lakeside Brochures on-line.

You can reserve many U.S. Army Corps of Engineers campsites online by visiting **www.reserveusa.com**, the official website of the National Recreation Reservation Service (NRRS).

The website is a commercial site provided by ReserveAmerica, the reservation service provider for the NRRS. The NRRS is a partnership between the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the USDA Forest Service. Reservations may also be made by calling toll free, 1-877-444-6777.

The National Recreation Reservation Service web site is a non-government commercial site maintained in partnership with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the USDA Forest Service.

Volunteer with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers **Volunteer Clearing House**-Last year alone, 70,000 people gave of their time and skill to assist the Corps of Engineers in recreation and natural resources management.

If it has anything to do with water safety, you'll find it on the new site of the **National Water Safety Program**. Get all the information on Corps lakes, materials to use to teach water safety in the home or classroom, plus helpful links to other water safety sites.

[**USACE Home**] [**Top of Page**] [**Search**] [**POC List**]

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Links to:

- Regional Brochures
- ReserveUSA
- Volunteer Clearing House
- National Water Safety Program

Source: http://www.usace.army.mil/recreation/
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US Army Corps of Engineers — Recreation Resource

Welcome to the Recreation Resource!

Follow the links below to find out more about Corps related parks, campground information and how to volunteer your time to assist the Corps.

Corps Links

- **Lakeside Recreation Information**- Follow this link to view all the Corps Lakeside Brochures on-line.
- **GORP Corps Information**-The Corps' Great Outdoor Recreation Pages. This is another great resource for Corps related park information.
- **Volunteering information**- Last year alone, 70,000 people gave of their time and skill to assist the Corps of Engineers in recreation and natural resources management.
- **National Recreation Lakes Study**

Back to Operations Home page

- Our current HQ pages send you to GORP for standardized information.
- Missing link to Water Safety

Source: http://www.usace.army.mil/inet/functions/cw/cecwo/rec.htm
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National Level

Recreation.Gov

State Level

Recreation.Gov --Georgia

Lake Level

Recreation.Gov - Lanier

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Three Levels

1.National

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Three
Levels

2. State

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Three
Levels

3. Lake

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1.National

In Process
❖ Partnership page

Current Tabs
❖ National in scope
❖ Includes links available from 3-HQ recreation pages (minus GORP, & national brochures)

Key Point
❖ Focus on Visitor Needs

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2. State

Geographic Reference
🄺 Camping available
⬇ Day Use only

Current Tabs
❖ State Government
❖ State pages of National Programs

Key Point
❖ Focus on Visitor Needs

Pending
❖ Graphic links

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3a. Lake

Corps Lakes Gateway — Your gateway to fun at Corps Lakes!
US Army Corps of Engineers
www.CorpsLakes.us

Select a State | Select a Lake | Select an Activity | Search | Go!

Corps Lakes Gateway > Georgia > Sidney Lanier Lake   USACE Employees Only

Print Friendly Version
- Recreation Areas

Maps
- Lake Map
- Vicinity Map

Reservations
- Bald Ridge Creek
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Lake Sidney Lanier
US Army Corps of Engineers

Sidney Lanier Lake, GA

Buford Dam - Lake Sidney Lanier
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
P O Box 567
Buford, GA 30515-567
Phone: (770) 945-9531

See the Sidney Lanier Lake website for additional information. Primary recreational opportunities are listed below.

Visitor Center
Lake Sidney Lanier
(770) 945-9531

Directions & Lake History/Factiod
- *Directions:* From Atlanta, I-85 N to I-985, take Exits 1 thru 24, W, and via Ga 400, exits 14 thru 17.
- *Area History*
- *Factoid:* Over the years recreation has grown by leaps and bounds to nearly 7 million visitors annually at Lake Sidney Lanier. Today recreation is an important benefit of the lake and must be considered in the lake's management. Seventy-six recreational areas have been developed around the lake under the direction of the Corps of Engineers. These include 49 parks operated directly by the Corps, 10

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- Recreation.gov
Local Cities
- Buford, GA
- Atlanta, GA
- Gainesville, GA
Newspapers
- Local Papers

Lake information
- ❖ Print friendly areas
- ❖ Maps
- ❖ NRRS Links
- ❖ Lake Links
- ❖ Concessions

Community
- ❖ State information
- ❖ Chambers of Commerce
- ❖ Friends Orgs.
- ❖ Newspapers

Key Point
- ❖ Focus on Visitor Needs

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3b. Lake

- Lazy Days
- Starboard Marina
- Sunrise Cove Marina
- University Yacht Cl

Recreation.gov
- Sidney Lanier Lake

Value to the Nation
- Lake Fast Facts

Volunteers
- Corps Clearinghouse
- Volunteer.Gov

Symbol Key
- Click here

Lake Lanier Islands. The remaining areas are leased to county and city governments such as the Boy Scouts. Lake Lanier is one of the most visited federally operated lakes in the nation.

Recreation areas 1 - 10 of 87 at Sidney Lanier Lake

Recreation Area	Camping	Boat Ramps	Marina	Picnic	Playground	Swimming Area	Trails
American Legion							
Aqualand Marina		X	X	A			
Athens							
Athens Boat Club		X	X	GS			
Atlanta Yacht Club		X	X	A			
Bald Ridge Creek S	E	X			X	B	
Bald Ridge Marina		X	X	GS			
Balus Creek S		X					
Belton Bridge		X					
Bethel		X					H

Click ▤ to See a Movie of the Recreation Area

Corps Managed   S Fees Collected   Managed by Others in *Italics*

Next 10 Areas >>

See Print Friendly Version for complete listing.

Camping	Swimming
E Electric Campsites	B Beach

Lake information
- ❖ Concessions
- ❖ Recreation.Gov
- ❖ Value to the Nation
- ❖ Volunteer (state)
- ❖ Symbol key

Recreation Areas
- ❖ OMBIL – June 03
- ❖ X where value >0
- ❖ Corps & Others
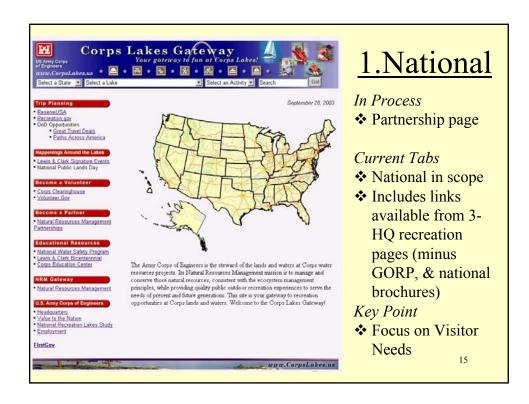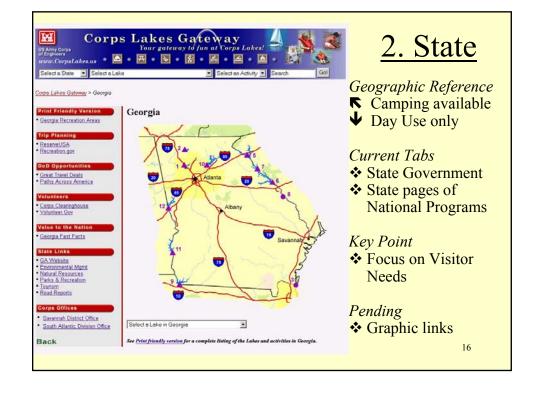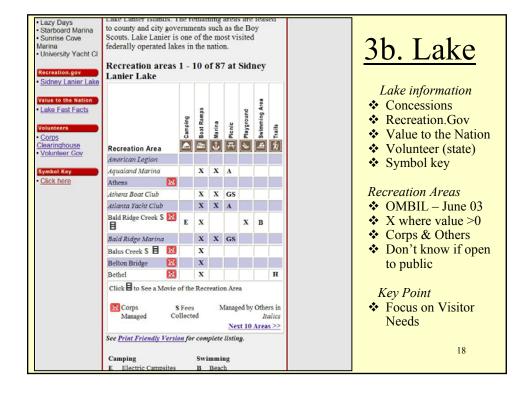- ❖ Don't know if open to public

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How to check & edit your data!

- Identify errors
- Determine data source
  - OMBIL, NRMS, NRRS, NRM Gateway
- If data source is OMBIL
  - OMBIL input is required for correction
  - Updates to the Visitor Pages are NOT immediate - We will request monthly data dumps and update periodically
- If the data source is NRM Gateway or "NRMG Managed"
  - Complete the template provided

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Check here first!
State Level Information

1 Select "Print Friendly Version"

2 Ensure all projects are listed

3 Review geographic references

4 Deadline Regional Brochures: Nov 10 regional brochure request will update map

5 Facility changes must be made in OMBIL

OMBIL
NRMG

NRMG – NRM Gateway
OMBIL -- Operations & Maintenance Business Information Link

State Level -- Print Friendly

- Quick way to see if we have OMBIL facility data for the project
- Go to OMBIL -- make facility changes
- We will request an OMBIL data dump November 1st
- Gateway updates will be periodic not instantaneous

OMBIL Data

Recreation Area	Camping	Lodging	Showers	Boat Ramps	Marina	Picnic Area	Picnic Group Shelter	Playground	Swimming Area	Trails	Amphitheater	Gas	Snack Bar	Grocery
1 - Allatoona Lake	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X
2 - Carters Lake	X	X		X	X	X			X	X	X	X		
3 - Fernandina Harbor														
4 - George W. Andrews Lake	X			X		X								
5 - Hartwell Lake	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	
6 - J. Strom Thurmond Lake	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X
7 - Richard B Russell Lake	X			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
8 - Savannah River - New Savannah Bluff Pool				X		X	X	X						
9 - Seminole Lake	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X
10 - Sidney Lanier Lake	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X
11 - Walter F. George Lake	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
12 - West Point Lake	X	X	X	X		X			X	X	X			

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Known Project Level Problems

1 Geographically distinct water resource projects that have one CWIS number in OMBIL

- For the Visitor– these need to be separate in Corps Lakes Gateway.

- Examples include: Salt Creek Projects in Omaha; Riverland Projects in St. Louis; Mississippi Pool projects in St. Paul, etc…

- ∴ can't easily match data structures

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Known Project Level Problems

2 Names are inconsistent

Names in Corps Lakes Gateway were based on names from 1999 Natural Resources Management System with modification for dropdowns.

1999 NRMS ≠ OMBIL ≠ Recreation.gov ≠ NRRS ≠ project websites,maps & signs ≠ Corps Lakes Gateway

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Lake pages are more complex!

- Select Print Friendly Version for complete listing of recreation areas listed in OMBIL
  - Go to USACE Employee Only button to view actual data value.
- Other changes will need to be provided directly to the NRM Gateway forms page

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Slide 1

Corps Lakes Gateway
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Select a State | Select a Lake | Select an Activity | Search | Go!

Corps Lakes Gateway > Georgia > Sidney Lanier Lake   NRMG   USACE Employees Only NRMG

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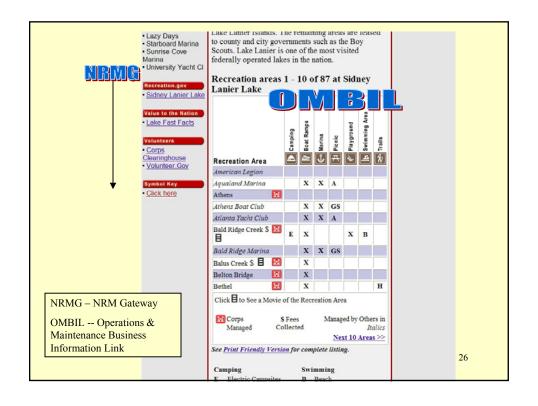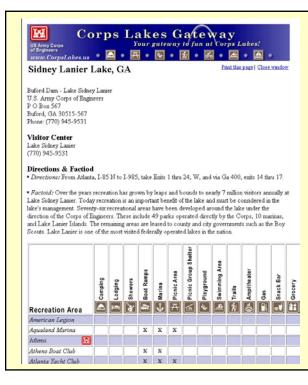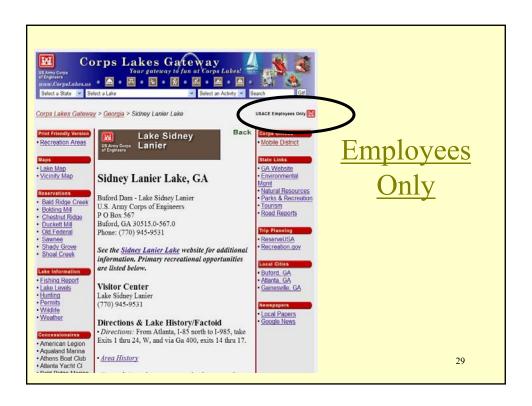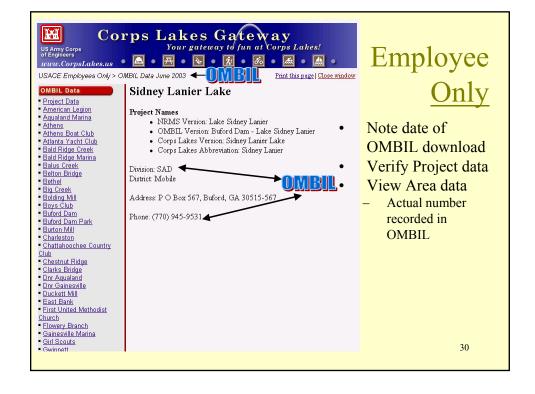U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
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Slide 2

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Print Friendly

- Mix of OMBIL and NRMG data
- Matrix is OMBIL data
- NRMG will request-if area should be displayed on visitor matrix

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Corps Lakes Gateway
Your gateway to fun at Corps Lakes!
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www.CorpsLakes.us

Sidney Lanier Lake, GA

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Athens Boat Club				X	X									
Atlanta Yacht Club				X	X	X								

Review Process

1. Check area name
2. Check if managed by corps or others
3. Open to public? (NRMG)
4. View facility listing
5. Compare this page to "employee only" page

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Bald Ridge Creek	E			X				X	X					
Bald Ridge Marina			X	X	X									
Balus Creek				X										
Belton Bridge				X										
Bethel				X							H			
Big Creek				X										
Bolding Mill	EP			X		X		X	X					
Boys Club														
Buford Dam														
Buford Dam Park								X	X	H				
Burton Mill				X		X			X	H				
Charleston				X		X		X						
Chattahoochee Country Club				X	X									
Chestnut Ridge	EP			X				X	X					
Clarks Bridge														
Dnr Aqualand														
Dnr Gainesville														
Duckett Mill	EP			X				X	X					
East Bank				X										

Employees
Only

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Employee
Only

- Note date of OMBIL download
- Verify Project data
- View Area data
  – Actual number recorded in OMBIL

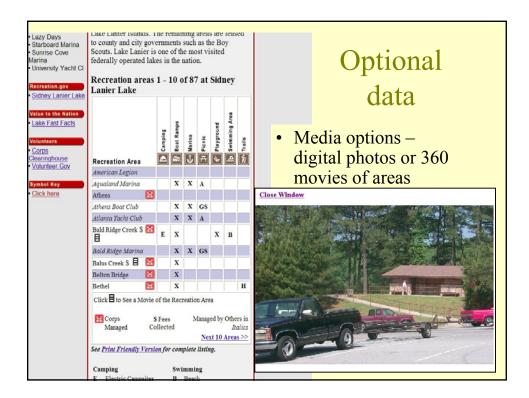30

Matrix – Actual Values

- Summary table from OMBIL used to generate Visitor Matrix
- If number >0 then matrix gets an X
- Primitive = Total sites – electrical sites

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Matrix continues

- Activity drop down menu off main header is determined by these fields
- e.g. Equestrian Trails
- Partners want – Trail miles. This is not part of OMBIL, should NRMG host this type of information?

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Optional data

- Media options – digital photos or 360 movies of areas

Summary – Submitting changes

- November 10 regional brochure deadline will be used to correct State MAPS. There is some variability between regional brochures and web page.

- Changes to the Visitor Matrix - Project name, area name, facilities available need to be made in OMBIL
- Changes to links maintained by Gateway staff – return to gateway staff

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Corps Lakes Gateway

- There will be a new page on the NRM Gateway entitled "Corps Lakes Gateway"
- It will provide this presentation and other notations for the visitor pages

Natural Resources Management Gateway
to the future . . .

Corps Lakes Gateway

Headquarters POC: Judy Rice

The Corps Lakes Gateway is the public side of the Natural Resources Management (NRM) Gateway. Its purpose is to provide consistent information across all Corps water resource projects providing recreation opportunities. It serves as an integrator of Corps-managed resources and those managed by others on Corps fee lands. In addition, the Corps Lakes Gateway integrates lakes into the community by recognizing partners, chambers of commerce and other resources useful to the visitor. In providing this corporate branding, it supports other federal initiatives including www.Recreation.gov. The site will be marketed through www.CorpsLakes.US.

- Features of the Site
- Welcome to Your Data
- Reviewing your Data
- OMBIL Data Changes
- Gateway Data Changes
- Good Enough to Share

Back to Programs & Partnerships
Home | Employees | Visitors | Lake Discovery
Recreation | Env Compliance | Env Stewardship | Calendar | Glossary
Learning | Tools | GETS | Partners | New Postings | Index/Search | Ideas | ???

Corps Lakes Gateway

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Checking for corrections

- The regional brochure update information provided by November 10 will be posted by November 17th (barring any major catastrophes)

- If OMBIL data can be delivered to NRM Gateway staff on November 1 this will be uploaded and posted by November 17th (barring any major catastrophes)

Joint Ventures Conference is in California – November 18-20!

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Under the Employees Only Section

- Always look at the OMBIL DATE posted at the top of the page.

- Keep track of when you entered your change – then check it against the OMBIL date posted.

Beyond 17 November 2003

- We will request that OMBIL staff deliver monthly data dumps. We anticipate that quarterly dumps will be sufficient to maintain the site.

- Other information?
- We are considering asking for information beyond the facility information, e.g. Operations manager name and other data deemed appropriate by the steering committee or HQ staff. Any other "Like to have" e.g. GIS maps
- Send your comments to Kathleen.Perales@usace.army.mil

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Recommendation

Off-line discussion and comments from HQ &

- Mike Owen – Recreation OMBIL
- Frank Star – Recreation.Gov
- Carolyn Bauer – Volunteer Clearing house
- Lynda Nutt – Water Safety Program
- Jean Nauss – Lewis & Clark Events
- Dave Lichy – OMBIL
- Recreation Steering Committee Meeting December 1st

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Recreation Services for the Public

Recommendation:

Add links to Volunteer Clearing House, Corps Lakes Gateway

Remove: Map of Divisions and Districts, Recreation Links, and Golden Age

Source: http://www.usace.army.mil/public.html#Recreation

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Recommendation :

- Replace Regional Brochures link with Corps Lakes Gateway

Source: http://www.usace.army.mil/recreation 41

- Our current HQ pages send you to GORP for standardized information.
- Missing links to Water Safety and Recreation.gov

Source: http://www.usace.army.mil/inet/functions/cw/cecwo/rec.htm 42

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