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Army Corps to Change Releases from Reservoirs

TOPEKA, Kan. (AP) - The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers says it plans to release less water from Tuttle Creek Reservoir, starting next week.

But the corps' Kansas City office said Friday it will compensate for that reduction by increasing flows from the Milford and Perry reservoirs.

The corps said the changes were needed to meet water needs at Topeka and DeSoto.

The Topeka Capital-Journal reports that Tuttle Creek's elevation is dropping about 0.2 feet a day. At that rate, the reservoir's water level will drop below 1,065 feet around Monday. When that happens, water releases will be slowed from 900 cubic feet per second to around 400.

The corps will increase releases from Milford from 25 cubic feet per second to about 200 cfs. Perry's release will increase from 25 cfs to around 150 cfs.

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