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**[Cracks In Wolf Creek Dam Highway Prompt Evaluation \(Associated Press\)](#)**

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is evaluating the significance of widening cracks on a highway that stretches across a massive dam across the Cumberland River in south-central Kentucky. Allison Jarrett, spokeswoman for the Corps of Engineers' Nashville District, said repair work on a 600-foot section of Wolf Creek Dam won't resume until after test results are back in August. The Corps stopped work in March after movement was detected near where the concrete dam attaches to an earthen embankment. Jarrett told The Commonwealth Journal of Somerset, Ky., that the cracks could be caused by something as harmless as the weather or as significant as movement of the embankment. The nearly mile-long structure impounds Lake Cumberland. Federal officials announced the repair project in 2007, noting that if Wolf Creek Dam fails, it could flood towns and cities down the Cumberland River as far as Nashville.

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