



FACTS ABOUT LAKE RED ROCK

April 1938 - Congress passed legislation permitting structures on the Des Moines River to control flooding.

1947 - Flooding was so severe that a decision was made to build preventative structures.

Sept. 1947 - Authority was granted to build a structure one-mile west of the current Mile-Long Bridge and above the town of Red Rock.

April 1948 - The Corps of Engineers determined that a site farther from Des Moines would be superior to the Red Rock site. A site 10-miles downstream was studied (Howell Station site). The people in the 10-mile area between the two sites strongly resisted this change.

Sept. 1959 - Howell Station site was approved. Land acquisition began for all the land below elevation 760.

Late 1968 - Dam was completed and the gates were closed in 1969.

Pressure from recreation interests and rapid siltation in the lake forced raising the minimum pool from elevation 725 to elevation 742. Lake Red Rock is the largest lake in Iowa.

Legend

- Lost Towns Under Red Rock
- ▲ Lost Towns In River Valley
- ◆ River Ferrys On DSM River
- Village Plats
- ▭ Incorporated City
- ▭ Village
- ▭ Parks
- State Highway
- County Highway
- Township Road
- Private Road
- Federal Land

Coordinate System: NAD 1983 StatePlane Iowa South FIPS 1402 Feet
 Projection: Lambert Conformal Conic
 Datum: North American 1983
 False Easting: 1,640,416.6667
 False Northing: 0.0000
 Central Meridian: -93.5000
 Standard Parallel 1: 40.6167
 Standard Parallel 2: 41.7833
 Latitude Of Origin: 40.0000
 Units: Foot US

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Red Rock Indian Treaty Line

