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Jackson County and The New Deal

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Using firsthand accounts and other primary resources, participants in this workshop will explore how New Deal programs such as the Tennessee Valley Authority and the Skyline Farms Project changed the landscape and economy of Jackson County. Primary source activities will include comparing present-day maps to maps of the Tennessee River and surrounding areas prior to the TVA and the Guntersville Dam. Educators will view and discuss artifacts and photos from Skyline Farms, in addition to reading and listening to interviews from people who lived and worked in Jackson County during the 1930s and 1940s. At the Scottsboro-Jackson Heritage Center, participants will examine primary sources from the former county seat of Battelle, which was flooded after construction of Guntersville Dam.