

PPL Holtwood to Reopen Pequea Boat Ramps May 15

Recreation area to stay closed until July for continued improvements

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The Pequea boat ramps on the Susquehanna River, which had been closed for expansion work, will reopen May 15.

Expansion work will continue in the new recreation area, which includes the Americans with Disabilities Act-compliant fishing platform located directly on the river. Construction also continues on an additional boat ramp that will extend 120 feet into the Susquehanna River. These areas are not expected to be available for use until early July.

In addition, parking will be limited in the existing lot due to construction traffic.

“We ask the public to obey all signs and to wear your life preserver while boating,” said John M. Levitski, PPL’s regional community relations director for the Lancaster area. “Boaters should be aware that the marker buoys are not installed yet due to high spring river flows. Boaters should not proceed downstream of the 1-mile sign warning of the dam ahead. During high river flows when water is spilling over the dam, the dam is not visible from the lake. So please use caution.”

A new parking area adjacent to the existing facility, which will add 12 additional trailer parking spaces, is expected to be available for use by Memorial Day.

Previous enhancements to the Pequea boat ramps included new abutments for the courtesy dock; installation of an additional concrete boat ramp in Pequea Creek; complete replacement and extension of the existing concrete boat ramp; addition of two new boat docks; and complete dredging of Pequea Creek.

“The improvements and enhancements at Pequea are part of PPL’s commitment to provide and improve public recreation at this popular area for boating on the Susquehanna River,” said Levitski.

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