



Opportunities and Access Report

May 25, 2022

Agate Lake

- The lake is one of the few waterbodies in Southern Oregon that is full. The 216-acre, electric-motor-only lake provides access to fishing and is also a good location for paddlers to explore, practice skills, and enjoy being on the water. Visit [Jackson County Parks](#) for more information.

Alsea River

- New accessible vault toilets were recently installed at Salmonberry and Campbell Parks. Benton County is completing some concrete work and sign installation. Work is anticipated to be completed within the next two weeks.

Beulah Reservoir

- As of May 22, there were approximately four feet of water at the bottom of the boat ramp. Please avoid power loading your boat on and from your trailer. Power loading and unloading can damage the lower portion of the boat ramp causing expensive repairs and permitting.

Bully Creek Reservoir

- The boat ramp is open and docks are floating.

Clackamas River

- Moore Creek, Carter Bridge and Hole-in-the-Wall boating access are open. Expect delays on OR 224 as crews install rock retaining mesh, remove debris, clear ditches, and do restoration work.

Columbia River

- Port of Hood River will be installing new boarding docks in late summer. There may be intermittent closures to part of the boat ramp during the removal and installation of the docks.

Coos Bay

- The city of Coos Bay will be replacing boarding docks at Eastside Boat Ramp and Empire Boat Ramp this fall. This will be the second string of docks at Empire Boat Ramp.

Deschutes River

- The Wyeth boat ramp replacement is completed. U.S. Forest Service has some additional work to complete on the boat ramp's access road and maneuver area. Below is a before and after photo.



Detroit Lake

- At Mongold Park boat ramp, self-adjusting dock guideways were extended allowing the docks to be usable for a longer period during the summer.

Fall Creek Reservoir

- North Shore and Winberry boat ramps are open. The water level is about four feet below the end of the boat ramp at Cascara Park. To avoid damaging the access site, trailered boats should use North Shore or Winberry instead.

Foster Reservoir

- The reservoir is filling and Gedney Creek and Sunnyside boat ramps are open and docks are floating. As of May 23, the water was just below the bottom of the boat ramp at Calkins Park. Please avoid power loading your boat on and from your trailer. Power loading and unloading can damage the lower portion of the boat ramp causing expensive repairs and permitting.

Green Peter Reservoir

- Thistle Creek and Whitcomb Creek boat ramps are open and docks are in the water.

Lost Creek Reservoir

- Joseph Stewart Park Marina became the 62nd designated Clean Marina in Oregon. To learn more about this voluntary [Clean Marina Program](#).

- The Takelma boat ramp boarding docks were damaged and will not be reinstalled this year.

Morgan Lake

- A new vault toilet is being installed this week near the park entrance. There will be some intermittent impact on the parking area during installation.

Multnomah Channel

- J.J. Collins Memorial Park clean-up event is planned for June 17-19 with the Columbia River Yachting Association. Plans include clearing trails and repairing benches and picnic tables.

North Santiam River

- The boat ramp at Fishermen's Bend Recreation Site has reopened. However, camping is still closed at this time.
- North Santiam Park, formerly called North Santiam State Recreation Area, is now managed by Marion County Parks. Day use is open and the County anticipates reopening camping next week. Check the [Marion County Parks](#) website for more information on the North Santiam River.
- Packsaddle Park boat ramp is open. Marion County and the Marine Board are working together on future boat ramp improvements. Opportunities to review and provide comments on the design will be posted in future Opportunity and Access Reports (OAR Reports).
- **Approximately 4 miles downstream of the Buell Miller boat ramp there is a river-wide log jam that is impassable for all boaters. The stretch of river from Buell Miller to Greens Bridge is littered with logs with root wads and not recommended for boating.**
- **Downstream of Greens Bridge to Jefferson there are several large woody debris accumulations that less maneuverable boats will have challenges safely navigating. This area is not recommended for beginner or intermediate boaters due to swift currents and large woody debris.**

North Umpqua River

- Amacher Park boat ramp and parking is anticipated to be closed in late summer-early fall to replace the upper half of the boat ramp and reconfigure and pave the parking area. Access to the camping area will be open.

Owyhee Reservoir

- Gordon Gulch Day Use and Indian Creek Day Use boating access sites are open and docks are floating.

Prineville Reservoir

- All boat ramps on Prineville Reservoir are out of the water as of May 22, 2022. Hand launching kayaks, canoes and standup paddleboards can be done at Prineville Reservoir State Park.

Tualatin River

- Approximately ½ mile downstream of Farmington boat launch is a large tree across the river. Please use caution and check the [Boating Obstruction Reporting Tools \(arcgis.com\)](https://arcgis.com) to report obstructions and hazards and see if any have been reported on a waterbody.

Willamette River

Lower (Columbia River to Willamette Falls)

- Cathedral Park - ODOT will be doing repair work on the St. Johns bridge columns this year. Portland Parks and Recreation does not anticipate any impact on the boat ramp and docks. There may be minor if any impact to the parking area for boaters. The two N. Philadelphia Avenue frontage roads connecting North Syracuse and North Willamette Avenues will close. The southern frontage road will remain open to local access. Additional information can be found on the [ODOT project page](#).
- At the April 7 quarterly Board meeting the Marine Board approved the following grants:
 - City of West Linn, Cedaroak Park – parking improvements. Construction anticipated early fall.

Middle (Willamette Falls to Salem)

- Butteville Landing piling, gangway and dock installation are planned to be completed by early fall.
- Regulatory changes to the [Towed Watersports Education Program for Newberg Pool](#) are in effect.
- At the April 7 quarterly Board meeting the Marine Board approved the following grants:
 - Clackamas County, Boones Ferry – replace boarding docks. Dock installation is anticipated in late fall.

Upper (Salem to Eugene)

- Polk County is closing Buena Vista County Park beginning May 23 through September 30, 2022, to replace the boat ramp, boarding docks, and lower parking area, realign the access road and add a second toilet on the lower level. Plan ahead to avoid the site during construction.
- Watch for new river mile signs on the Willamette River from Eugene to Portland. The Willamette Valley Visitors Association, State Parks and Recreation, and Marine Board have been working with landowners to install signs every ten miles along the Willamette River Trail. The signage would be visible from the water to help inform visitors where they are on the river, as well as an aid for marine law enforcement in rescues or other incidents.



Waldo and Gold Lakes

- As of May 17, Gold Lake Road and Waldo Lake Road are impassable due to snow. The approximate base is 30 inches. U.S. Forest Service is monitoring the status and will open the gate as soon as the road becomes passable and safe for travel. For updates call the Gold Lake information line at 541-782-5235.



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