

EL recent article in The Sun about boat launch

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Based on what I read the future status for the boat launch is far from over, and information being presented about it is also in my opinion far from the full truth.

Thanks Floyd for your effort in contacting the Sun and your well written letter(s) to the editor

Each of us needs to write a letter to the editor explaining our concern and bring talking points from the articles to light-

While the launch is stated to be out of compliance for 30 years it is more on the order of 40 based upon today's date and time of the writing of the first SLMP- but more to the point here, is I'm positive that prior to the SLMP of 1970, EL was used by boats that would have been bigger than anything the APA/DEC would have considered acceptable under a proposed fishing access site and they're only allowing Kayaks and canoes with the proposed barrier- how does historical use change here?

Also notes as to the character of both basins of the lake is not correct - the full of the south shore of the smaller lake side with the launch does have private ownership, it is far from shallow, and is most certainly not "marshy" as is stated, as to the implication of "wooded ", the entire lake is wooded, how is this in need of more protection?

if a motor size restriction is placed on the lake- who and how will this be determined, will you have to repower or replace your boat, will you be able to ski and tube? enjoy the lake with a group of friends on the boat you worked hard to afford before the State decided to changes your access rights?

If, as stated, there are private launches - should it not be the landowners of these that determine who uses them? To have the state imply otherwise is very wrong in my opinion, if the state wants one public launch on the large side with a wash station who is going to build this and on what property? Looks like the person who made this statement has not been to the lake to see the character of the land on either side.

Last, the implication about the campground and the statement that "some land has been cleared""and includes an ATV trail" - the atv trail is the old STATE developed, and as of late 1990 maintained, DEC access trail that has been in existence since the early 1900's, and was, prior to this, the access road for drawing iron ore in the mid to late 1800's. Sounds like the person quoted here is implying that this was done recently by a rogue group of residents, how wrong is this? Have they done any history review of this area?

Please-who can or is going to write to State otherwise?

Note that what is printed in the articles is also only a small portion of what is being said in the background- is this background information just as flawed and damaging of our rights to use the boat launch and beach?

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