

COASTAL RECREATIONAL FISHING LICENSE FINAL REPORT

Project Number: 3220

Grant Title: Beaufort Boating Access Area

Grant Award Period: *(July 1, 2010-June 30, 2012)*

Project Costs: \$200,000.00

	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>
	\$200,000.00 CRFL Funds	\$200,000.00
	\$196,550.00 WRC Boating Funds	\$103,724.17
TOTAL	\$396,550.00	\$303,724.17

Final Project Summary: The purpose of this project is to increase boating access opportunities for the recreational and fishing boating public to improve access to the Newport River, North River and the Atlantic Ocean.

NCWRC engineers and construction staff designed, permitted and renovated the existing four lane ramp to industry standards. The site was graded and paved to increase parking area with an organized traffic flow approach. Scope of original parking area design was down scaled due to county's constituent's petition and demands to save trees on site. Crew installed new bulkhead and floating docks adjacent to new ramp area. Installed new storm water catch basins and inlet protection with landscaping and constructed wetlands plants. An informational kiosk and entrance sign was provided for posting regulations, facility policies and recognizing funding cooperators.

Project was completed in May 2011 and the Beaufort Boating Access Area was open to the public the weekend of May, 2011.

There was a delay to Beaufort construction schedule due to constituent complaints/protests regarding NC Wildlife original design/scope to remove old trees from site to allow for more car parking spaces. NC Wildlife completed project allowing for trees-per county constituents request.

<http://www.ncwildlife.org/News/NewsArticle/tabid/416/IndexID/112/Default.aspx>

http://216.27.39.101/NewsReleases/051311_Renovations_to_Beaufort_Boating_Access_Area_Complete.htm

http://charlotte.news14.com/content/top_stories/641018/taylor-s-creek-boat-access-reopens-to-the-public/?ap=1&MP4

<http://www.jdnews.com/articles/meet-91577-towns-boaters.html>