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## **William O'Huske/Lock and Dam Three construction closure**

**WILMINGTON, N.C.** – The William O'Huske/Lock and Dam Three, located at 1248 Bill Hall Rd, Fayetteville, NC, will be closed 20 March 2023 through 31 May 2023 while rehabilitation work takes place to restore functionality to the Cape Fear River Lock and Dam, so that both vessels and fish may be locked through once again.

The work is funded by the fiscal year (FY) 2022 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act and will be performed by the US Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) Marietta, Ohio-based Regional Rivers Repair Fleet, who specialize in work on locks and dams.

The entire area around William O'Huske Lock and Dam Three will be closed to all visitors. This includes the boat ramp, picnic facilities, bank fishing, and canoe portage area. The closure timeline may vary based on weather conditions and the scale of repair work needed.

For alternate river access, there are boat ramps above and below Lock and Dam Three that are state-maintained and are not affected by the Corps construction. The Tar Heel boat ramp is eight miles below Lock and Dam Three and there is another ramp in Fayetteville. Please follow the link from NC Wildlife for boat ramp availability and closures: <https://www.ncwildlife.org/Boating/Where-to-Boat>.

If you have any questions about the closure or alternative recreation areas, please contact the Wilmington District's Public Affairs Office at [sawweb-pao@usace.army.mil](mailto:sawweb-pao@usace.army.mil).

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