

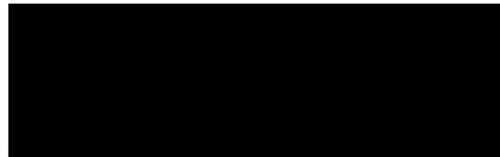
MEMORANDUM FOR Beaver Project Office Personnel

SUBJECT: Policy # 2021 – 1, **Update of Handrails and Amenities sections** in *Facility Construction Requirements, Private Floating Facility Permits (Docks), Beaver Lake Shoreline Management Plan (2018)*

1. **POLICY:** It is the intent of this policy to provide an updated standard operating procedure regarding the review and placement of fish cleaning station/handrail tables located in a variety of locations on existing and future private docks.
2. **BACKGROUND:** The current Beaver Lake Shoreline Management Plan (2018), Private Floating Facility Permits (Docks), Facility Construction Requirements, Amenities and Handrail sections provide little information concerning the placement of fish cleaning stations, handrail tables, and/or other small table like amenities that are either on existing facilities or are being requested to be installed on existing and new dock facilities. Recent plan submission has shown that the placement of handrail tables is a requested amenity on submitted dock plans. Annual site inspections indicate that some existing docks on Beaver Lake have this amenity regardless of its presence or absence on stamped/authorized plans. There is both a current and future need to understand how to view, review, and potentially authorize these features.
3. **GUIDANCE:** New and existing private floating facilities may have fish cleaning stations/handrail tables as long as they fit the intent of Beaver Lake Shoreline Management Plan's primary reason for the dock structure as a whole; "Docks are approved for the mooring of the owner's vessel and the storage of gear essential to the vessel's operation, therefore, any amenities that present an appearance of human habitation [are] not allowed". Further specifications are listed below:
 - a. Only one fish cleaning station/handrail table is allowed per 10 slips and may be a maximum of 2ft. x 6ft. in size (2ft. representing general roof overhang and 6ft. being a common/regular span between uprights). Docks 11 slips and greater may have 2 fish cleaning stations and they may adjoin. Fish cleaning station/handrail tables greater than 6ft. will be considered 2 stations.
 - b. Permanently affixed amenities will be required on a set of plans and a request will be submitted for review and possible authorization. As with locker plans, fish cleaning stations/handrail table plans will not need an engineer's stamp.
 - c. The location of said amenities, when permanently affixed, will be authorized on a case by case basis taking into consideration dock

location, spacing, 1/3 cove width, and local site impacts. Generally, fish cleaning stations/handrail tables will be in similar locations to lockers (shore-side of dock or on the ends of fingers).

- d. Fish cleaning stations/handrail tables that are mounted or built-in to the handrail/guardrail welded box system must meet the requirements of the Handrail section of the SMP.
 - e. At no time, regardless of slip number, will an entire side of a dock (length or depth) have fish cleaning stations/handrail tables. This would in effect make a continuous countertop and is inconsistent with the primary purpose of a boat dock on Beaver Lake.
 - f. Store bought fish cleaning stations (independent/portable) are permissible so long as they meet the size requirements, number per slips requirements, 3ft. minimum walkway clearance is maintained, and they do not contradict the 2018 SMP's restriction of sinks or cabinets (not authorized).
4. **GRANDFATHERED CONDITIONS:** Fish cleaning stations/handrail tables, on existing docks prior to the implementation of this policy, are able to remain as long as they are consistent with previously approved plans and/or they adhere to the current Beaver Lake Shoreline Management Plan's amenities restrictions on sinks and cabinets as well as provide for 3ft. minimum walkway clearance.
- a. During dock inspections (e.g. renewal or request), fish cleaning station/handrail tables will be reviewed on a case by case basis taking into consideration prior existence, previous approvals, and the appearance of human habitation.
5. This policy shall remain in full effect until notification of a change is made in writing.



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