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Representative Jimmy Pruett Announces State's Plan to Complete Public Boat Ramp in Telfair County

Atlanta, Ga. (May 16, 2016) | Representative Jimmy Pruett announced today that the Georgia Department of Natural Resources (DNR), Wildlife Resources Division (WRD) is working to redevelop a public boating access facility at Horse Creek Wildlife Management Area in Telfair County. Applications for all required state and federal authorizations to construct the facility have been submitted and the proposed site design is complete.

"I have been working hard in conjunction with DNR officials and Telfair County leadership to ensure the completion of this project. As a member of the House Parks & Recreation and Budget Committees, a number of meetings took place to secure needed funding," Pruett said.

The WRD expects that authorization to construct the facility will be granted this spring and site preparation will begin soon thereafter. Installation of the ramp and canoe steps is dependent on Ocmulgee River flows, but the WRD is hopeful that ramp and canoe step construction will commence early this summer.

DNR Commissioner, Mark Williams, who worked closely with Rep. Jimmy Pruett to secure approval for the boat ramp says, "We appreciate Rep. Pruett's leadership in bringing the importance of this project to our attention. The completion of the boat ramp will ensure our avid outdoorsmen have an opportunity to enjoy what the Ocmulgee River has to offer while bringing growth and tourism to that region of the state."

Construction of the facility should take less than 30 days. As designed, the boating access facility will include a 20-foot wide boat ramp with adjacent canoe steps and provide parking for 20+ vehicle/boat trailer combinations.

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Rep. Pruett serves as the Chairman of the State Planning & Community Affairs Committee and is a member of Appropriations, [Economic Development & Tourism](#), Game, Fish, & Parks, Health & Human Services, Industry and Labor, and MARTOC Committees. He represents the 149th House District which includes Dodge, Telfair, Wheeler and portions of Jeff Davis and Laurens counties. He may be reached at 404.656.7855 or via email at Jimmy.Pruett@house.ga.gov.