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### **NOTICE:**

#### **ROCK LANDING BOAT RAMP IN PANACEA WILL BE CLOSED BEGINNING APRIL 1, 2009.**

Crawfordville, Florida – Please pardon the interruption of the closing of Rock Landing boat ramp in Panacea beginning April 1, 2009 until July 31, 2009. However, we are excited about the highly anticipated installation of a new boat ramp and commercial fishing pier becoming available to the public in the very near future. Construction is underway and the new facility will consist of a new, modern dock and boat ramp as well as a new landscaped parking area. This closing is required due to this area becoming a construction site in preparation for the new and improved county facility, which is being funded by the Florida Wildlife Conservation Commission.

For your convenience, the following alternative public boat launches are available for access located in Wakulla County:

- Mashes Sands-Located at the intersection of Highway 98 & Ochlocknee Bay Bridge on Mashes Sands Road, Mashes Sands Beach includes a pier & a boat ramp.
- St. Marks- Old Fort Road Boat Ramp located in the heart of St. Marks
- Levy Bay Road, Panacea-A local launch for smaller vessels is located at the end of Levy Bay Road

Note: There will be a temporary docking facility in place for the “Rock the Dock Fishing Tournament” event scheduled for May 29, 2009 through May 31, 2009. Additional details will be forthcoming regarding this local event.

We appreciate your patience in this process and will provide additional information at [www.mywakulla.com](http://www.mywakulla.com) as we move forward in the completion of this project. For additional information related to this story, please contact Jessica Welch, Policy & Public Information Coordinator at (850) 926-0919.