



## Creating Water Adventures, One Dock At A Time

August brings the height of summer—long sunny days, warm breezes, and endless opportunities to get out on the water. Whether paddling, casting a line, or simply floating in the quiet, these are the moments that restore us. [BoardSafe Docks](#), of Fleetwood, PA, is proud to help create these experiences with products designed to enhance every adventure.

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### [Polecat Catfish Tournament Starts New Season with BoardSafe Docks](#)

In Loudon County, TN, just southwest of Knoxville, anglers are eager to launch their boats at the updated Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency (TWRA) Polecat location on the Tennessee River. On March 8, 2025, the community kicked off its Polecat Catfish Tournament season at the renovated launch at 29302 Loudon Highway, which now features a single-lane boat ramp along with a new aluminum gangway and floating courtesy dock designed and manufactured by BoardSafe. These upgrades are part of BoardSafe's ongoing collaboration with TWRA and Tennessee State Parks to enhance sites for accessible fishing and kayaking across the state.



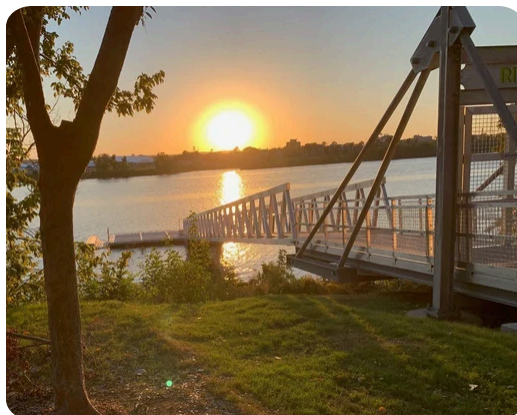


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### [Tulsa, OK Kayak Launch System: A Model of Accessibility and Innovation](#)

The City of Tulsa, OK, recently unveiled an exciting new way for residents and visitors to experience the scenic waters of Zink Lake—a BoardSafe Docks adaptive kayak launch built for durability, ease of use, and full accessibility.

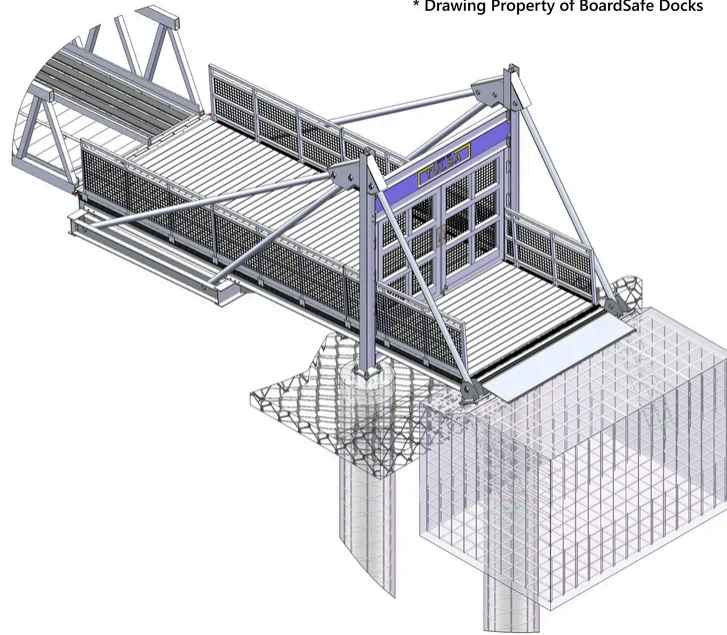
Due to restrictions on building within the floodplain of the Arkansas River, BoardSafe’s design and engineering solved a unique challenge when determining how and where to place the floating structure along the riverbank. The design required a robust, elevated structure that could withstand environmental demands while remaining entirely accessible.



BoardSafe tackled this by designing a 100-foot gangway and chute supported by a steel cantilevered deck system outside the floodplain. This durable, ADA-compliant

floating dock system ensures safety, stability, and seamless water access for users of all abilities.

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Read more here: [Installation Complete of New Accessible Kayak Launch and Dock on Zink Lake](#)

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### [Creative Engineering Solutions: BoardSafe Creates Paddle Access on the Chattahoochee River](#)

When faced with challenging site conditions, BoardSafe Docks designs custom solutions—like the pole guide system developed for a kayak launch on the Chattahoochee River outside Atlanta, GA.

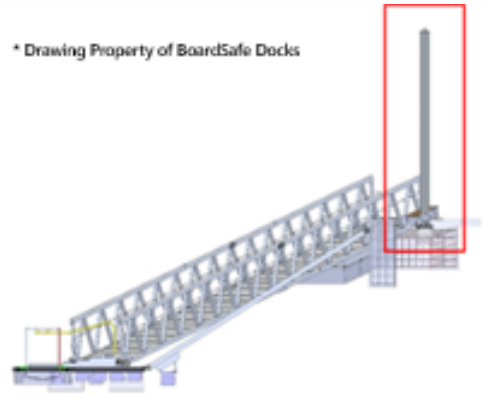
Confronted with steep embankments, dramatic water level changes, flooding, strong currents, and heavy debris on the Chattahoochee River, The Trust for Public Land engaged BoardSafe Docks to engineer a reliable, adaptable solution. The resulting design features a stiff-arm attachment, gangway guide pole, and a pivot point beneath the gangway at the floating dock, allowing the structure to rise and fall with changing water levels while remaining stable. The system proved its strength during Hurricane Helene, performing reliably through 20+ foot flood conditions.

In this design, the guide pole serves as a vertical pile anchored to the foundation with a bottom flange plate and anchor bolts. This allows the gangway assembly to rotate about a fixed axis while moving with the water's rise and fall. By keeping the gangway and floating docks aligned with the river's directional flow, the system minimizes stress from currents and debris impact. Combined with the stiff-arm

attachment, the guide pole provides exceptional strength and stability while enabling reliable performance in fluctuating conditions.



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### **BoardSafe's Commitment to Education and Advocacy:**

BoardSafe continues its mission to educate stakeholders about the value of accessible recreation. Below is a list of trade shows and summits we have or plan to attend through October 2025. Please visit us at an upcoming event and let us help you design your solution for accessible water recreation and learn about the impact and economic benefits we bring to communities.

- [States Organization for Boating Access Education & Training Symposium \(SOBA\)](#) August 25-28, 2025 in Providence RI
- [NRPA Annual Conference](#)  
September 16-18, 2025 in Orlando, FL
- [World Canals Conference](#)  
September 21-25, 2025 in Buffalo, NY
- [American Society of Landscape Architects \(ASLA\)](#)  
October 10-13, 2025 in New Orleans, LA
- [Ohio River Basin Confluence Summit](#)  
October 16-18, 2025 in Louisville, KY

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