

Media Advisory



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Drought conditions lead to temporary closures of boat ramps on Lake Wylie

- *Catawba-Wateree River Basin in Stage 1 drought*
- *Duke Energy is monitoring lake levels at boat ramps and will close boat ramps when needed to ensure public safety.*

Due to low lake levels, Duke Energy has closed access to two boat ramps at the Allison Creek Access Area and two boat ramps at the Buster Boyd Access Area, both located in York County, S.C. Physical barriers to protect the public have been installed.

Duke Energy will continue to monitor lake levels during the next several days to determine whether continued decreasing lake levels will require closing the remaining boat ramps at these two access areas and at other access areas on Lake Wylie.

Mecklenburg County Parks and Recreation and York County Parks and Recreation will close access to boat ramps at the Copperhead Access Area and Ebenezer Access Area, respectively. York and Mecklenburg counties make boat ramp closure decisions under lease agreements with Duke Energy.

Note: Small carry, or non-motorized, boats will continue to have lake access when ramps are closed.

Current Lake Wylie Access Area Ramp Status

- South Point : 6 ramps open but could be affected with decreasing lake levels
- Nivens Creek: 2 of 2 ramps open and unlikely to be affected in the near-term
- Buster Boyd : 2 of 4 ramps open
- Allison Creek: 2 of 4 ramps open
- Ebenezer: all 4 ramps closed by York County
- Copperhead: all 4 ramps closed by Mecklenburg County

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