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### **Calvert County Department of Parks & Recreation Installs New Floating Dock at Lower Marlboro Wharf**

**PRINCE FREDERICK, Md. – Jan. 8, 2019** – The Calvert County Department of Parks & Recreation, Natural Resources Division, announces a new floating dock has been installed at Lower Marlboro Wharf. The installation of the dock is part of a multi-year effort to increase water access for residents in Calvert County. This \$43,000 project was funded by the State Highway Administration’s National Recreational Trails Program grant.

The floating dock offers safe access to the Patuxent River and allows kayak and canoe paddlers to explore the river and its wetlands. This location provides access along a stretch of the Patuxent River with very few public launching facilities. Lower Marlboro Wharf is located at the end of Lower Marlboro Road in Owings.

Lower Marlboro is one of 20 former steamboat landings/wharves located in Calvert County. Approximately 36 miles from where the Patuxent River meets the Chesapeake, the wharf accessed an important mode of transportation for local residents, farmers and businesses.

A full list of water access sites that are part of the Patuxent Water Trail is available at [www.patuxentwatertrail.org](http://www.patuxentwatertrail.org). To learn more about water access sites and trails throughout Calvert County, pick up a copy of the “Water Trail Adventures in Calvert County, Maryland” guide. The guide offers maps and detailed descriptions of water access sites and amenities throughout the county including six paddling routes in the Chesapeake Bay, Patuxent River and St. Leonard, Cocktown and Caney creeks. It also provides information on historic, cultural and tourism resources.

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Visit [www.calvertcountymd.gov/WaterAccess](http://www.calvertcountymd.gov/WaterAccess) to download a copy of the guide for free. The guide can also be purchased for \$3 from the Maryland DNR Outdoor Store [online](#) or by calling the Calvert County Natural Resources Division at 410-535-5327. Additionally, guides are available at sites throughout the county including Kings Landing Park, Jefferson Patterson Park & Museum, Solomons Visitor Center, Calvert Marine Museum, Solomons Boat Ramp, North Beach Welcome Center, Chesapeake Beach Town Hall and Battle Creek Cypress Swamp Nature Center.

Learn more about the Calvert County Natural Resources Division by visiting online at [www.calvertcountymd.gov/naturalresources](http://www.calvertcountymd.gov/naturalresources). For updates on Parks & Recreation services, park availability, field closures and more visit Parks & Recreation at [www.Facebook.com/CalvertCountyParks](http://www.Facebook.com/CalvertCountyParks).

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