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New Lake Delton park provides long-needed boat launch

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On October 4, South Central Region Director **Mark Aquino** represented DNR at the <u>dedication</u> of Newport Park and Boat Launch in the Village of Lake Delton. The six-acre parcel was developed cooperatively with the village and is named after a former resort that occupied the site.



DNR Regional Director Mark Aquino (right) joined MSA Professional Services' Engineer John Langhans at the dedication of the new Newport Park and Boat Launch. DNR Photo

"For years, region fishery and law enforcement staff observed a need for a public boat landing on the Wisconsin River in the Dells area south of the dam and on the Lake Delton side of the river," said Aquino. "This location is useable even in times of low water levels and will be especially useful in late winter and spring for walleye anglers, and in the fall for sturgeon."

The new park is located off County Highway A where it intersects with Rivers Edge Rd. In addition to the new landing, the park offers residents and visitors picnicking, a beach front on the river, and accessible fishing. Landscaping was designed to maintain the natural character and scenic beauty of the dells.

Aquino was joined by Easton Dreher, representing Stewards of the Dells; John Langhans, MSA Professional Services; John Webb village president; and, Tom Diehl, village trustee.

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