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**Construction Update: “Pardon our Progress” We’re Drilling and Grouting!**

**Question:** How many drill holes have we bored so far?

**Answer:**

- December 30, 2015 — First hole drilled
- April 15, 2016 — 195 Low Mobility Grout holes drilled

**Next up:** High Mobility Grout testing. Unlike the thick, Low Mobility Grout, High Mobility Grout has a thinner consistency. (Think: “ice cream” vs. “milkshake.”) Both types of grout will be used in the final cutoff wall design. In the photo at left, the green sonic rig bores into the earthen embankment as the white grouting rig fills in the holes.

**Boone Beach Boat Ramp Underway**

Boone Beach will have something for everyone. In addition to the white sand for the new beach that we showed you last week, we now have freshly poured concrete for the new boat ramp. Next, the slab (seen at right) gets pushed underwater, then paving begins. The new boat ramp and swim beach are on track to open in time for summer swimming, boating, fishing and fun. Use the hashtag #TVAfun when you post your Boone beach photos on social media this summer to win great prizes.





### **Community Update: Going Green at the New Devault Bridge Boat Ramp**

A colorful mixture of wildflowers will greet visitors when the new Devault Bridge boat ramp opens this summer. If last week's hydroseeding takes root, the seeds will germinate in about two weeks. Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency planted the flowers as part of their hydroseeding program to:

- Help prevent erosion
- Restore fish once the Boone Dam project is complete

Indian Grass, Little Blue Stem, Purple Coneflower, Black-eyed Susans and Sunflowers were in the seed mixture that was combined with green mulch and water and sprayed along the banks.

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