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Two of the three sonic drill rigs in operation late last week. This view is from the downstream side of the earthen embankment.

### **Construction Update: LMG Drilling and Grouting**

As of last week, 103 exploratory holes had been drilled on the earthen embankment and 100 of those had been filled with low mobility grout. This represents good progress in Phase Two of the project, averaging a little over four holes drilled each workday. At this rate, the LMG portion of the exploratory drilling and grouting operation should be complete within the next few weeks and then the team will move forward with the high mobility grout testing. With the progress made to date, Project Manager Sam Vinson says the project remains on schedule to be completed in the 2020-2022 timeframe, five-to-seven years after it began.

### **Community Update: Boat Ramp Progress at Devault Bridge and Pickens Bridge**

Construction at two area boat ramps is moving forward to prepare for the summer boating season. A gravel road to the new Devault Bridge boat ramp is in place and concrete was poured for the push slab. Work has also taken place along roadway shoulders and future parking areas. Meanwhile, Pickens Bridge ramp potholes have been repaired and rock was placed to smooth out the roadway under the bridge. Several new trash receptacles are now in place for the convenience of the boating public. Both Devault Bridge and Pickens Bridge are joint venture projects with the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Management Agency and are expected to open by Memorial Day. They will be joined by an additional boat ramp and swim beach near Boone Dam.



Concrete slab for new boat ramp at Devault Bridge



### **Boone Resource Management Unit is Closed**

With turkey season just around the corner, hunters, bird lovers and hikers are reminded that the Boone Resource Management Unit on Minga Road just northeast of Boone Dam is currently closed to the public. The property is being used to support construction activities for the Boone Dam project. To help ensure your safety and the safety of others, please do not cross fences or gated areas.

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