



# Kamloops Fly Fishers' Association

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Subject: 2023 March 22<sup>nd</sup> News Release "Province improves inclusion, accessibility in B.C. parks" (link is below my signature).

The Kamloops Fly Fishers Association (KFFA) is excited to learn that the Honourable George Heyman Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy and Minister responsible for TransLink has seen fit to be improving accessibility to our B. C. Parks. This is long overdue.

Our fly fishing club has filed a Human Rights Complaint to get accessibility, accommodation & service for those with age & physical disabilities to Paul Lake Provincial Park for launching our boats. The first email regarding these issues was written in 2013!!!





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The yellow bollards in the photograph have denied my Members as well as the public from launching our trailered boats. As seniors with age & physical disabilities we use two methods to launch our boats; Automatic Boat Loaders & Trailers. I trailer my boat as I can't lift what I used to in my younger years. My boat is a bigger boat that is stable. As a senior your mobility is not as it once was so having accessible access is paramount.

We look forward to meeting with the Minister & his Staff to deal with Accessibility issues at Paul Lake Provincial Park.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Leonard P. Piggin'.

Leonard P. Piggin  
President KFFA

Link to News Release: <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2023ENV0021-000369>

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