



# Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Agenda Item Submittal

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Item To Be Considered: **Dock Walk Extension and Public Day Docks**

Board Meeting Date: **February 21, 2023**

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**Overview:** The Town of Swansboro proposes to extend the existing Bicentennial Park public boardwalk, replace a deteriorated bulkhead with riprap per North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) requirements, and construct seven public day docks to serve visitors traveling by small boat to the historic downtown waterfront. The Town has received a North Carolina Public Beach and Coastal Waterfront Access grant for financial assistance for construction of the boardwalk extension and public day docks. NCDOT has agreed to provide some financial assistance for replacement of the deteriorating bulkhead with stone riprap.

The project will be built in the riparian corridors of the Town-owned southern section of Bicentennial Park, the Mattocks House property owned by Swansboro Bridge Basin, LLC (107 Front Street), and Town-owned street-end at Moore Street. Work will also occur in the riparian corridor of the NCDOT right-of-way associated with the NC Highway 24 White Oak River Bridge under a recently issued encroachment agreement between the Town and NCDOT.

Proposed structures include (a) add one 8' x 100' floating dock, one 6' x 12' platform/dock extension, one 4' x 30' gangway, two 4' x 30' floating finger piers, and six tie pilings; (b) construct a 12' x 150' boardwalk with guardrail along the shoreline to connect the existing boardwalk in Bicentennial Park with the existing town dock at Moore Street; (c) install accessible ramps over the existing bulkhead where it connects with the new boardwalk; (d) remove and replace a 5' x 45' wooden walkway; and (e) remove a deteriorated wooden bulkhead located within the NC Highway 24 right-of-way and replace it with 28 linear feet of granite riprap for slope protection, all as depicted on the attached workplan drawings.

Materials to be used in construction of the project include treated lumber for construction of floating docks and walkway (2 x 8 decking), aluminum gangway, and Class II granite riprap (per NCDOT).

A major modification to major CAMA permit #112-05 was issued on December 14, 2022 for construction of the project.

**Attachments:** 1. Plans showing new construction on proposed site, including proposed design and typical photos of materials to be used in construction; and  
2. Staff Report addressing Section 24.1 Docks, Piers, and Boardwalks

**Recommended Action:** 1 – Hold Public Hearing; 2- Discuss Staff Report; and  
3 – Issue COA for Dock Walk Extension and Public Day Docks

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