

Dear Mrs. Hopgood:

Thank you for inviting comments. As a home owner on the landing road and a long time beneficiary of using the landing as a convenient place to launch my boats, I still favor conversion of the landing to a carry-in only launch to benefit the lake.

The topography of the landing (long slow slope) and the small size of public ownership make the area a poor landing site. One needs to trailer a boat so far into the water to properly launch that the entire undercarriage of the launching vehicle must be submerged. This is detrimental to the lake and the vehicles. The landing site's small size also limits parking and turn around options. Boaters use our driveway as a turn about, often causing tree damage and further erosion.

It would be best to use other access points (E Vassalboro or China) with steep and suitable landings that do not have the topographical, turning, and parking challenges.

The only way to remedy the S China site as a functional drive-in launch would be to acquire more land and conduct dredging of the lake bed to fix the slope. This would come at a dramatic financial cost to the town and an even greater environmental cost to the lake.

Thank you,

-Joe Przyuski  
18 town landing road