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## TEMPORARY CLOSURE PLANNED FOR BONEY FALLS BOAT LAUNCH ON AUGUST 8th

## CLOSURE REQUIRED TO SUPPORT PLANNED FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS

Marquette – Upper Peninsula Power Company (UPPCO) is announcing the company's boat launch facility at Dam No. 4 on the Boney Falls reservoir will be temporarily closed to the public on Thursday, August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024. The closure is required to support the de-mobilization of equipment that was used for planned maintenance activities and facility improvements that were completed by UPPCO this summer. Access to the campground that is located near Dam No. 4 will remain open but will be delayed at times.

"We are asking the public to avoid the Boney Falls boat launch on August 8<sup>th</sup>," said Dan Freeborn, Manager of Communications and External Affairs. "Crews will be working in the area to dis-assemble a construction barge and to unload materials that were necessary for construction of the improvements that were made this summer. As an alternative, we are asking recreationists to use the boat launch that is located near Dam No. 3 on the Escanaba River to ensure the public's safety."

Construction activities have concluded for this summer at the Boney Falls dam. UPPCO is also reminding the public to be safe whenever recreating near the company's hydroelectric facilities and to obey all posted warning signs.

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