

An Administrative Change to the 2004 Lake Sidney Lanier Shoreline Management Plan was approved on August 31, 2018. The change was to Section 15.3.1. Removal of maximum 192 square feet of deck space.

2018 Revised Language Lanier SMP

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Platform/T-dock: No permits for private use will be issued for new platform/T-Docks due to safety concerns and general unsuitability as a mooring facility. Existing docks of this configuration that are currently authorized under permit will not be affected by this change in policy.

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