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Michael K. McGovern  
Town Manager  
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Dear Mr. McGovern:

Thank you for your inquiry regarding watercraft access at Kettle Cove and Crescent Beach State Park.

I write to let you know that I have authorized Gary Best, our Acting Regional Manager, to work with your successor in creating a plan to address the access issue including the possibility of moving the ramp about 100 yards to the west.

Please let me know if I can be of any help in the process going forward.

Sincerely,

  
Tom Desjardin  
Director

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Thomas A. Desjardin, Director  
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Re: Crescent Beach State Park Boat Access

Dear Mr. Desjardin,

Since the early 1960's when Crescent Beach State Park was developed, the Town of Cape Elizabeth and the Bureau of Parks and Lands (and its predecessors) have worked closely to ensure access for watercraft to Kettle Cove and Crescent Beach.

One access that has been especially helpful to recreational kayakers, small boaters and fishermen is a gravel ramp that extends from Kettle Cove Road on town property onto Crescent Beach. This ramp is steep, often washes out from tidal actions and is adjacent to a drainage swale which often limits access. We recently met with Acting Regional Manager Gary Best about the possibility of relocating this access point about 100 yards westerly to a location where there had been an access point for many years. Gary seemed amenable to the change and I then asked the Cape Elizabeth Town Council for authorization to begin a formal dialogue with the Bureau on the potential of relocating the access. The Town Council voted unanimously for me to write this letter.

I would appreciate if you would authorize your relevant personnel to continue the dialogue with the Town of Cape Elizabeth. While I am retiring at year end and my successor will not be named for a few weeks, I hope that you could respond to this letter in writing so that my successor will be aware of your interest.

Thank you and warm wishes for the holidays!

Sincerely yours,

Michael K. McGovern