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Moo's Dock: Disabled anglers will find a new local fishing hole awaiting them May 23 when Estacada Lake reopens for the trout season.

The dock and ramp accessible from McIver Park off Springwater Road is perched over the lake near the dam -- close, in fact, to where spring chinook and summer steelhead also finish climbing the dam's new ladder.

The dock was built through a coalition of businesses, wildlife groups, individuals, government bodies and others.

Kathy Arrigo of Molalla inspired the project in 2006. Arrigo has multiple sclerosis and was featured in this column after her chance introduction to my son, Bill Jr., who listened to her wish and telephoned me.

Her plea? Create a fishing area close to home where she and other disabled Portland-area anglers can "just go fishing once in a while."

Arrigo -- nicknamed "Moo" years ago because she often wore muumuus -- said, "I cried when I saw it for the first time. It's just beautiful."

The dock is open to everyone, but a sign asks priority be given to those with disabilities.

Estacada Lake will be stocked this week for the opener and then regularly throughout the spring and early summer.



Rick Swart/Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife Kathy Arrigo on the new disabled angler accessible fishing platform at Rivermill Reservoir (Estacada Lake) on the Clackamas River.